

MONTH OF JUNE, 1944 (1st to 30th).

OPERATIONS RECORD BOOK

R.A.F. Form 540

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of (Unit or Formation) 425 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.

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Place	Date	Time	Summary of Events	SECRET.	References to Appendices
R.C.A.F. Station. Thelthorpe	1.6.44		16 a/c were detailed for operations in the evening, but this was cancelled at the last minute. Today is the 4th day of organized P.T. for the Squadron and everyone seem to enjoy it. "Vickie" the Squadron Mascot, has completed her 16th trip over the enemy territory. Vickie has stuffed bunny originally from Ottawa, posted to 425 Squadron and received on Easter Day, by the Squadron Adjutant. All crews showed great admiration for Vickie and it was therefore decided to take her on strength as A.W.Z., immediately promoted to T/Sgt. and appointed to operational duties. Her trade is Operational Overseer Mk. III and entitled to her operational egg when accompanied, in any Mess. She wears pink and dark brown colours and a sash from which hangs a Holy Medal blessed by the Late Revd. Brother Andre of Montreal, in signification of safety. She also wears the Canadian Voluntary Service Medal and Spans On Mother's Day who was appointed to Assistant Section Officer Mk. II (Rank which she wears) on being declared a mother-to-be by "tit Doc. An increase of birth of 6 is expected shortly from Canada. Her log book is kept up-to-date and a list of 11 crews are booked in to take her up on future ops.		
	2.6.44		14 aircraft were detailed to attack Naufochatel Heavy Anti aircraft post. All took-off and returned safely to base. Most a/c bombed on Green T.I. and reported bomb bursts well placed around them. Expected one were noted at 0017 hrs. 0019 hrs. and 0031 hours. Defences were light. A little L/F smoke was seen and H/F to 6,000 feet. No S/H's. weather cloudy varying from nil to 7/10 drifting over target, tops to 5,000 feet. All the mud holes around 425 Section have been filled and the land scraping nearly completed due to the co-operation of all personnel. One aircraft fired at an enemy fighter. No damage is claimed (See Combat Report attached).		A1997 to A1610 Incl. Appendix 6.
	3.6.44		14 aircraft were required for operations this evening, but this was cancelled at the last minute due to weather conditions. Approximately 20 French-Canadian ground crew reported on posting in the past week in replacement for English-speaking personnel. More exchanges are expected during the month.		
	4.6.44		The squadron was not required for operations this evening due to heavy rain fall all day, and there was no flying carried out, except for one air test. P.T. is being carried out every morning.		
	5.6.44		18 aircraft were detailed to attack Houlgate gun positions. All attacked primary target and returned safely. The following crew arrived on posting from 1659 Con. Unit. J. 22815 F/O MacNeil W.G. - Pilot E. 192397 Sgt. Roy P.D. - Nav. E. 178261 Sgt. Sauter D.M. - W/AG E. 170538 F/S Walker R.D.F. - S/A E. 108006 Sgt. Bafferty J.R.H. - R/AG 1894833 Sgt. Parker C.G.E. - W/AG R.A.F.		A1611 to A1620 Incl.
			Due to cloud results could not be seen but most crews report bomb bursts in vicinity of Red T.I.'s, which were rather scattered. Defences over target practically nil. Weather, cloud 8 to 10/10ths, tops, 5/7,000 ft. with layer above base 19/11,500 ft. Crews report icing in cloud on most of route.		

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R.C.A.F. Station Thaltheorpe.	6.6.44		<p>For the second time since formation of the Squadron, 19 aircraft took-off on operations and all returned safely. The target was a Railway Bridge at Goutancas.</p> <p>Bomb bursts seen mainly in and around the T.I.'s. The aiming point being seen in many cases.</p> <p>Explosions were noted at 0021 hours, 0022 hrs. and 0023 hours with much black smoke.</p> <p>Defences: Practically nil. Slight I/F no S/L's. Weather: Clear with cloud above 710 to 1010ths. Base 3,000 to 5,000 feet.</p> <p>The opening of the Second Front really cheered both ground and air crew of the Squadron. Everyone goes to work with a true determination.</p> <p>The following crew arrived on posting from 1664 Con. Unit.</p> <p>J.27638 P/O Straight N.H. - Pilot R.16989 Sgt. Miller N.F. - Nav. J.35245 P/O Collins R.S. - W/AG J.21786 P/O Damm S.E. - P/A J.10215 P/O Steele F.W. - A/G R.253881 Sgt. Harris G.R. - M/AG R.142690 Sgt. Saldan P. - P/B</p> <p>One aircraft fired at an enemy fighter. No damage is claimed. (See Combat Report attached)</p>		<p>11629 to 11647 Incl.</p> <p>Appendix 7.</p>
	7.6.44		<p>11 aircraft were detailed to attack Agheres, France; all attacked primary and returned safely to base. One of our aircraft in which Wickie the Squadron Mascot, was flying, piloted by P/O E.E. Kirk (J.23788) was attacked by two enemy fighters. One FW.190 is claimed as destroyed as it was seen to catch fire and explode on the ground. No age is ascertained to the other enemy aircraft, which was also fired at.</p> <p>Bombing was well concentrated around the T.I.'s and all a/c bombed on the Green T.I. according to Master Number instructions. Explosions were seen at 0122 and 0140 hrs. and fires were burning. Defences practically nil, but moderate light flak from Paris defences ahead of target.</p> <p>Weather: Mainly clear with some haze. 8 to 10/10ths, cloud above base 6,7000 ft.</p> <p>The following crew arrived on posting from 1666 Con. Unit.</p> <p>J.25933 P/O Deunett W.E. - Pilot J.35039 P/O Lowther W.B. - Nav. R.197604 Sgt. Bennett N.G. - W/AG J.35022 P/O Ball N.H. - P/A R.215492 Sgt. McLean L.E. - B/AG R.292702 Sgt. Morrison A.H. - M/AG 118976 Sgt. Catran W.H. - P/B R.A.F.</p> <p>The following crews were posted from this Unit to No. 431 and 432 Squadrons respectively:-</p> <p>J.15601 S/L Vanezan W.G. "MUR" - Pilot J.16831 P/O Hutchinson E.B. - Nav. 1332948 Sgt. McDonald J.N. - W/AG R.128434 W/O Gourley D.M. - P/A R.186828 P/S St-Gedard J. - B/AG R.205254 Sgt. Anderson C.C. - M/AG 1832948 Sgt. Thomas G.L. - P/B R.A.F.</p> <p>J.5116 S/L Bryson M. - Pilot J.85670 P/O Thomson T.A. - Nav. J.19878 P/O Tupper P.R. - W/AG J.86173 P/O Ferry P.E. - BSA R.190989 Sgt. Elliott S.H. - B/AG J.36709 P/O Yeaman E.G. - M/AG</p> <p>1804516 Sgt. Marshall R.W. - P/E R.A.F.</p>		<p>11648 to 11658 Incl.</p> <p>Appendix 8.</p>

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R.C.A.F. Station			One aircraft was attacked by enemy fighter. No damage claimed. (See Combat Report attached.)																														
Wholthorpe	8.6.44		<p>10 aircraft were detailed to attack Mayenne Marshalling Yards and all returned safely. One aircraft crash-landed at Dishforth; one member of the crew was slightly injured.</p> <p>The great majority of crews heard and followed the M.B.'s instructions to bomb the s.d.b. edge of the Yellow T.I.'s. The Red and Green T.I.'s were somewhat scattered but the Yellow and White were concentrated. Two crews had a visual of the Railway lines and report that they were apparently running into the Yellow T.I.'s. Large explosions were logged at 0145, 0156, 0147 and 0150 hours; and a smaller one at 0153 hours. The explosion at 0147 hours was particularly huge. White flash up to 500 ft. Several good fires were left burning and black smoke had risen to 4,000 feet. Defences: Negligible; very slight H/P and some L/P. Weather: Clear with 10/10ths cloud above. Base 305,000 feet.</p> <p>Flying training during the day consisted of 3 aircraft on fighter affiliation and practice bombing.</p> <p>One aircraft was attacked twice by enemy fighter. No damage claimed. (See Combat Report attached.)</p>		<p>A1659 to A1668 Incl. Appendices 9 & 10.</p>																												
	9.6.44		<p>10 aircraft were detailed to attack Lensis air field and all returned safely.</p> <p>All aircraft report T.I.'s well concentrated with fires around them and much smoke rising to 1200 feet. One aircraft reports explosion at 0026 hrs. H/P was heard by most crews. Defences: L.P. was moderate to 5,000 feet mostly being hoisted from guns in marshalling yard and town areas. About 6 S/L's were active and attempted to co-operate with flak.</p> <p>Weather: clear over target with cloud above 6/10 to 8/10 Base 5,000 to 8,000 ft.</p> <p>The following crew arrived on posting from 432 Squadron:</p> <table style="margin-left: 20px; border: none;"> <tr><td>3.13999</td><td>S/L</td><td>Phillips G.B.</td><td>- Flak</td></tr> <tr><td>3.05809</td><td>P/O</td><td>Hess M.A.</td><td>- H/W</td></tr> <tr><td>171903</td><td>P/O</td><td>Stump L.G.</td><td>- W/AG R.A.F.</td></tr> <tr><td>2.116821</td><td>WO</td><td>Lee J.B.</td><td>- W/AG R.A.F.</td></tr> <tr><td>1004551</td><td>WO</td><td>Clark B.</td><td>- W/AG R.A.F.</td></tr> <tr><td>171591</td><td>P/O</td><td>Beresford C.</td><td>- W/AG R.A.F.</td></tr> <tr><td>2.114301</td><td>Sgt.</td><td>Gracie W.B.</td><td>- H/W</td></tr> </table> <p>One night cross-country was carried out in the evening.</p> <p>One aircraft was attacked by enemy fighter. (No damage claimed) See Combat Report attached.</p>	3.13999	S/L	Phillips G.B.	- Flak	3.05809	P/O	Hess M.A.	- H/W	171903	P/O	Stump L.G.	- W/AG R.A.F.	2.116821	WO	Lee J.B.	- W/AG R.A.F.	1004551	WO	Clark B.	- W/AG R.A.F.	171591	P/O	Beresford C.	- W/AG R.A.F.	2.114301	Sgt.	Gracie W.B.	- H/W		<p>A1669 to A1678 Incl. Appendix 11.</p>
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	10.6.44		<p>10 a/c were detailed to attack Versailles Matelote Marshalling Yards in the evening. All took-off and returned to base. 1 aircraft was hit by flak and returned to base. Aircraft classified as "CATAC". Nobody was injured.</p> <p>Attack appears to have been successful. Red and Yellow T.I.'s were plainly visible but most crews bombed on instructions from master Bomber. Bomb bursts appeared to be well concentrated and explosions were noted at 0044, 0050 and 0107 hrs. Defences: L/P and H/P slight and intermittent increasing as attack progressed from 5,000 to 7,000 ft. S/L's few and ineffective.</p> <p>Weather: Clear no cloud slightly hazy. Ground details visible.</p> <p>Flying training consisted of 2 a/c on dual flying, one on fighter affiliation and bombing and 2 on night cross-country and bombing.</p> <p>One aircraft was attacked by enemy fighter. (No damage claimed) (See Combat Report attached.)</p>		<p>A1679 to A1688 Incl. Appendix 12.</p>																												

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R.C.A.F. Station	15.6.44	(Cont'd)	Remainder of aircraft attacked primary and returned safely. Two aircraft carried out local flying and practice bombing during the day.		
Thelthorpe.	16.6.44		The following crew arrived on posting from 1666 Cdn. Unit. J.86106 P/O Tallon A.F. - Pilot R.136907 Sgt. Dufour J.C. - Wav. R.83452 W/O Watson W.W. - W/AG R.136822 Sgt. Arseneault J.A. - A/B R.213844 Sgt. Boucher N.W.A. - R/AG R.201044 Sgt. Giroux J.L. - W/AG 1569829 Sgt. Kinnear E.F. - W/S R.A.F.		Al755 to Al750 Incl. Appendix 16.
			XX In the evening 16 aircraft were detailed to attack Sautrecourt and all took-off and attacked primary. Red T.L. were in three batches and bomb bursts were seen mainly in and around them. Explosions noted at 0317 hrs., 0319 hrs., and 0322 hrs. Most crews consider P.F.F. all little late, T.L.'s being first seen at 0315-15 hours. Defences over target; slight H/F 12,000 to 16,000 feet. S/L's few and ineffective owing to cloud. Weather: 7/10 to 9/10 cloud, tops 7,000 to 10,000 feet. One aircraft fired at an enemy fighter. No damage is claimed. (See combat report attached.) One aircraft was hit by flak and landed away from base. The pilot J27653 P/O H.M. Romild was severely injured and died from wounds received. The a/c was landed by the Bomb Aimers.		
	17.6.44		11 aircraft were detailed to attack Cisseaux/Neuville-au-Bois, in France. All attacked primary and returned safely. Details of attack lacking owing to cloud, but glow of Red and Yellow T.L. appeared to be well concentrated and explosions were noted at 0308 hours, 0310 hrs and 0326 hours. Defences: over target; slight H/F 10,000 to 12,000 feet. S/L's few and ineffective owing to cloud. Weather: 10/10 cloud, tops at 4/8,000 feet. Flying training to-day consisted of 2 aircraft on practice bombing. 3 other aircraft which had landed away returned to base this date. Mr. Paul Dupuis Canadian War Correspondent is visiting the Squadron for a few days. One aircraft fired at an enemy fighter. No damage is claimed. (See Combat Report attached)		Al751 to Al761 Incl. Appendix 17.
	18.6.44		17 aircraft were required for operations but this was cancelled at approximately 1800 hours. X Most of the Officers celebrated the Stand Down in the Officers' Mess and all joined in for a sing song party. The following crew arrived on posting from 1666 Cdn. Unit. R.112271 W/O Polster P.W. - Pilot J.28482 P/O Kallal J.F. - Wav. 157925 P/O Franklin K. - W/AG R.A.F. R178544 Sgt. Hamish J.L. - A/B R183350 Sgt. Moresch D.L. - R/AG R210433 Sgt. Arakay G.J. - W/AG 1588481 Sgt. Bailey R.H. - W/S R.A.F.		
			Flying training was carried out as follows: 9 aircraft engaged on fighter affiliation, air to air firing and S.R.A.F.		

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R.C.A.F. Station Thaltheops	19.6.44		19 aircraft were scheduled for operations but this was cancelled. At approximately 1030 hrs. this morning, a fire was reported to have started in the Crew Room. However prompt action was taken and the fire was extinguished, causing practically no damage. The Squadron Commander, gathered all R.C.G.'s aircrew and Section Leaders in Sgt's Mess after operations were cancelled and a good time was had by all. S/Lt. C.A.E. Davis (C8446) A.M.S. the former Squadron Adjutant, proceeded this date on posting to RAF Station St. Athan.		
	20.6.44		20 aircraft were detailed to take part in operations, but this was cancelled at the last minute. Flying training consisted of 13 aircraft which carried out Fighter Affiliation, air to air, practice bombing and dual check.		
	21.6.44		18 aircraft carried out a daylight attack on St. Martin L'Hortier, France. All attacked primary and returned safely. Most crews found difficulty in identifying the green T.I.'s and a number of crews bombed visually. Some scattered bombing was observed but main bombing was in and around the T.I.'s. Master Bomber was heard to say the T.I.'s were accurately placed. Slight heavy flak to North and South of Target mainly predicted. Weather: drifting cloud 3 to 5,000 feet, tops obscured target at times. 1 aircraft carried out a night cross-country.		A1762 to A1779 Incl.
	22.6.44		The Squadron was not required for operations today. Flying training was carried out as follows: 13 aircraft on Day-Light Formation Practice; 11 aircraft on cross-country fighter affiliation, S.R.A., and Local Flying. One aircraft carried out a night cross-country. S/Lt. R.E.G. McCall (C2665) No. 6 RCAF Group Senior P.R.G., visited the Squadron.		
	23.6.44		Flying training to-day consisted of 3 a/c on fighter affiliation and one on practice bombing. 17 aircraft carried out night cross-country. 17 aircraft were detailed to attack Bantques, France, and all returned safely to base. 16 attacked primary and one returned early due to undercarriage U/S. All a/c bombed on Red T.I. mostly under instructions from Master Bomber and report that T.I.'s were well concentrated. Details of target could not be seen, but some a/c report smoke rising through clouds. Weather: 8/10 to 10/10 cloud, tops at 4,000 to 6,000 feet. Defences: Slight H/P to 10,000 feet, to 12,000 feet. Slight L/P to 8,000 feet. S/L's few and not effective.		A1780 to A1796 Incl. <i>See</i>

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R.C.A.F. Station Thalhorpe.	24.6.44		17 aircraft were detailed to attack Remiere ^{Remiere} Constructional works in the evening; all attacked primary and returned safely. Flying height "P.E.E. Red and Green T.I. mainly well concentrated with one Red T.I. separated from others. Bomb bursts in and around the T.I.'s and vivid white explosion at 0051 hrs. with much black smoke. Defences: Very slight H/F with numerous S/B's. Latter caused several w/c but were not supported by A.A. or fighters. Weather: Clear with ground haze." Flying training consisted of 4 aircraft engaged on air to air, fighter affiliation and practice bombing & local flying. 2 aircraft carried out night cross country. C.1807 Hon. Group Captain W.V. McCarthy, Chief R.C. Chaplain, R.C.A.F. Overseas, visited the Squadron and celebrated Holy Mass at 1700 hours in the Station Chapel.		A1797 to A1813 Incl.
	25.6.44		17 aircraft required for operations in the evening, but this was cancelled during the day. The Squadron was standing by for operations in the evening but was not required. Dinner Music by the J.F.R.C. Band was greatly enjoyed this evening in the Officers' Mess. The following crew arrived on posting from 1664 Con. Unit:- J.12555 P/O Dugas M.J. - Pilot J.28698 P/O Starbuck J.G. - Navigator R.110638 Sgt. Crispin J.P. - W/O R.156726 Sgt. Ranger J.A. - A/S R.253828 Sgt. Savaris J.W. - R/AG R.151371 Sgt. Frederice J. - W/AG 622599 Sgt. Trymer W. - P/S R.A.F.		
	26.6.44		8 aircraft carried out Fighter Affiliation, bombing, air to air firing and cross-country during the day. The Squadron was given a stand down, not being required for operations to-day on account of rain. Lt. Elay, D.E. of the R.C.S., from No. 1 C.S.B.U. reported to-day for one week, in order to gain Air Force experience. Hon. Mr. Henri Geoffrion, French Canadian, Quebec Attache to the British Government, visited our Squadron. He was amazed of the organization and co-operation of all Sections throughout the Station. J.21962 P/O R. Atkins (S/A) reported to-day on posting from 427 Squadron, for Bombing Leader's duty.		
	27.6.44		17 aircraft were detailed to attack Forest ^{Forest} Constructional Works and all attacked primary, returning to base. Flying height "Red T.I. in form of triangle with bombs bursting in and around them. Explosions reported at 0032 and 0039 hrs. Defences very slight H/F and I/F. S/L's few and not effective. Weather: slight scattered cloud tops 6,000 ft." One aircraft M.Z. 689 "A" came back with one engine feathered and crashed on landing into aircraft L.V. 380 "B" which was bombed up. Both aircraft caught fire which resulted in bombs exploding and causing injuries to the following personnel, who were helping extricate the crew from the burning aircraft: C.111 Air Commodore A.B. Reed, Base Commander, a piece of shrapnel partly cut his left arm, near the wrist, which necessitated amputation. R.27991 Sgt. MacRae, M. and R.168008 Sgt. Wolfe, R., of NCAF Sta. Thalhorpe were also injured. All members of the crashed aircraft were extricated, the pilot was dangerously injured, receiving severe laceration of left lower back and possible fracture of spine and was		A1814 to A1830 Incl.

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R.C.A.F. Station Thelthorpe.	27.6.44	(Cont'd)	<p>admitted to York Military Hospital.</p> <p>The Flight Engineer was also admitted to York Military Hospital suffering of lacerating right wrist and possible other injuries. Remainder of crew suffered on slight injuries and were admitted to Stn. Sick Quarters. The crew was as follows:-</p> <p>R.136732 T/Sgt. Savoie R.A.F. Pilot R.180757 T/Sgt. Hault J.P. - Nav. R.179516 T/Sgt. Noisoux J.H. - W/A R.161531 T/Sgt. Lelonde J.A.L. - W/A R.195725 T/Sgt. Rochon G.G. - R/AC R.184432 T/Sgt. Kucma H.P. - W/AC R.189709 T/Sgt. Fliche A.H. - Under Gunner 1596787 Sgt. Esper E. - T/Sgt. R.A.F.</p>	
	28.6.44		<p>16 aircraft were required for operations but due to unfavourable weather this was cancelled in the evening.</p> <p>The most exciting and unusual surprise we have had yet since on operations, says F/Lt. O.D. Stevens, Nav. (39502) is the news that F/Lt. Alf. E. Beech Sqn. Nav. Leader (117040) "DPO" himself gave us upon returning from of Temporary Duty that of his sudden marriage. Since he is at the same time posted from the Squadron to RCAF Stn. Dalton, the Squadron Commander, Sqn. Adjutant and Section Leaders with many other officers, entertained and initiated the newly-wed and Fostee, the Alouette way. All what F/Lt. Beech said in the early hours of the morning after the party, was: QUOTE: "Thank boys, but my wife will never believe me" UNQUOTE.</p>	
	29.6.44		<p>16 aircraft were required for operations but this was cancelled, after the squadron had stood by all day. No flying was carried out during the day.</p>	
	30.6.44		<p>17 aircraft were required for operations but this was cancelled at the last moment in the evening. No flying was carried out due to the squadron standing by all day for operations. The Squadron Commander, Wing Commander L.H. Lecomte (C1181) visited Air Commodore A.D. Ross, Base Commander, (C111) and the other aircrew and ground crew personnel hospitalised at York Military Hospital, following the aircraft accident on the morning of the 28th June/44. Reports on everyone of the injured personnel is quite favourable, except for the two ground crew on strength of Station Headquarters, R278561 L/O MacKenzie, W, and R280108 L/O Wolfe, R.</p> <p>CASUALTIES. J25788 F/O Kirk, E.E. - Pilot Missing night of 16/16 June, 1944. J25944 F/O Facey, H.C. Nav. " J23861 F/O Bagan, F.D. W/A G. " J27290 F/O Scabbe, D. W/A. " J80710 F/O Collins, G.R. W/A. " R165661 Sgt. McEvoy, F.W.K. W.U.A.G. " 1408881 Sgt. Adams, C. F/E. (RAF) " R198867 Sgt. Furness, R. Under Gunner. " J27685 F/O Romish, H.W. Pilot. Killed by bullet wound on night of 16/17.6.44. R186782 Sgt. Lavole, M.P.S. Pilot. Dangerously injured in crash night of 27/28.6.44.</p>	

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