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9/10 Jan/45 (NIGHT)	Wellington III Z.1782 "C"	Sgt. Rivard, J.J.H. P/S. Logan, R.H. Sgt. Fayette, R. Sgt. Douglas, H.H. Sgt. Bellon, P.R. (Sgt. Mahou, R.B.)	Gardening.	16.48	21.45	Two vags. (B.200) dropped as ordered, and parachutes seem to open. Successful trip. Landed at Topcliffe.	A-147
"	B.J.632 "E"	P/O. Clinton, R.A. P/S. Ross, A.G. Sgt. Lacombeville, J.R. P/S. Copeland, T.D. Sgt. Colbert, R. (Sgt. Gauthier, J.A.V.)	"	16.45	21.29	Planted 2 (L.500) vags. as ordered, from 800 ft. Dropped on "GEE". Did not see parachutes to open but two splashes in water were seen. Landed at Topcliffe.	A-148
"	B.W.559 "B"	P/S. Brinton, R.H. Sgt. Ighammar, J.L. Sgt. Lago, J.E. Sgt. Har, R.H. Sgt. Brown, W.D. (Sgt. Lapointe, J.F.C.)	"	16.49	20.31	Mines dropped as ordered from 700 ft. and both parachutes seem to open. On approaching gardening area about ten mins. before sowing a white flash was seen ahead. Seen as a mine from another a/c went off on hitting water. On return from on port beam a red flash suddenly appeared and presumably hit the water.	A-149
"	X.3668 "F"	P/S. Jackson, A.H. P/S. Bell, D.A. Sgt. Ross, J. P/S. Atkinson, F.G. Sgt. Chappin, J.H. (Sgt. Gullamette, J.F.)	"	16.51	21.23	one vag. (B200) dropped as ordered the other hung up. Dropped from 700 ft. No cloud, visibility good. Rear Gunner saw parachutes open. Landed at Topcliffe.	A-150
"	B.K.340 "E"	Sgt. Spooner, G.L. P/S. Leigh, J.R. Sgt. Mackay, R.H. P/S. Lathrasay, F.M. Sgt. Blacker, G.G.	"	16.50	20.36	Two vags planted as ordered from 650 ft. Both parachutes seem to open but one vag. seem to explode and when hit it hit the water. Good visibility, no cloud.	A-151
"	X.3876 "D"	Sgt. Turman, D.J. Sgt. Williamson, H.P. Sgt. Mollitor, J.A.F. Sgt. Bellings, J.E. Sgt. Campbell, R.S. (P/S. Bellinger, J.C.)	"	16.41	20.47	One mine planted as ordered from 800 ft. and the other brought back (GVA mine) A.108 would not release. Tried to jettison but could not. Captain wishes to mention that in garden area his aircraft caught switch of landing lights which went on for about half a minute. Time 1902 hrs. This happened when flying to jettison hung-up mine.	A-152
11/15 Jan/45 (NIGHT)	X.3872 "A"	P/O. Clinton, R.A. P/S. Ross, A.G. Sgt. Lacombeville, J.R. P/S. Copeland, T.D. Sgt. Colbert, R. (Sgt. Smith, G.A.)	Gardening.	16.34	22.34	Gardening in area as ordered. No cloud, good visibility. Pin-pointed on Point du Toulingust. Saw both parachutes to open. Landed at Harwell.	A-153
"	X.3876 "B"	Sgt. Richard, J.F. P/O. Lariviere, R.V. Sgt. Ross, J.H. P/S. Woodrow, J.H. Sgt. McKillop, E.T. (Sgt. Mahou, R.B.)	"	16.33	22.25	Gardening in area as ordered. Dropped on "GEE" and visual from 800 ft. Rear gunner saw parachutes to open. Good visibility. Landed Harwell.	A-154

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14/15 Jan/43 (NIGHT)	Wellington III Z.1742 "C"	Sgt. Edward, J.J.M. P/O. Logan, R.E. Sgt. Fogarty, R. Sgt. Macdonald, H.H. Sgt. Bellamy, P.E. Sgt. Bellamy, P.E. (P/O. Guilleminette A.F.)		16.32	21.55	Two vags. (B.200) planted successfully as ordered. Landed at Harwell.	A-155
"	B.K. 340 "F"	Sgt. Spooner, G.L. P/O. Leigh, J.H. Sgt. Mackay, R.E. P/O. Robinson, F.M. Sgt. Mackay, J.H. (Sgt. Gault, J.A.R.)		16.28	21.40	Vags. planted as ordered from 600 ft. No cloud, visibility good. Pin pointed on Pointe du Toulinguet. Saw both parachutes open. Landed at Harwell.	A-156
"	B.K. 539 "F"	Sgt. Brownson, J.H.H. Sgt. Harwood, R. Sgt. Fitchie, J.H.J. P/O. Hodgotta, R.H.J. Sgt. Harwood, R. (Sgt. Lapointe, J.P.C.)		16.30	22.51	Planted two vags. in area as ordered and from 800 ft. No cloud, good visibility. Saw two parachutes open. Pin-pointed on coast and Pointe du Toulinguet. Landed Harwell.	A-157
"	X.5648 "F"	Sgt. Smith, J.F. Sgt. Smith, P.H. Sgt. Cook, S.C. P/O. Shuck, G.W.G. P/O. Bennett, R. (Sgt. Seaberg, L.)		16.31	21.50	Dropped mines as ordered from 500 ft. visibility good, no cloud. Saw two parachutes open. Pin-pointed Pointe du Toulinguet and made run to garden. Landed Harwell.	A-158
15/16 Jan/43 (NIGHT)	Wellington III X.5872 "A"	P/O. Chintan, R.B. P/O. Shaw, P.H. Sgt. Kirkpatrick, J.R. P/O. Goodland, E.D. Sgt. Gault, J.A.R. (Sgt. Faxon, S.)	Bombing Lorient.	18.37	23.28	Primary target, bombed from 14000 ft. Visibility good, no cloud. Hear gunner saw bursts on target. Took off from Harwell.	A-159
"	X.5876 "F"	Sgt. Michael, J.F. P/O. Leveille, J.D.V. Sgt. Brown, P.H. P/O. Mackay, J.H. Sgt. McMillan, R.P. (Sgt. Hagan, R.F.)		18.39	23.17	Bombed Lorient east of river from 15000 ft. Fires were observed with several bursts, only one bomb seen to burst. Took-off from Harwell.	A-160
"	Z.1742 "C"	Sgt. Edward, J.J.M. P/O. Logan, R.E. Sgt. Fogarty, R. Sgt. Macdonald, H.H. Sgt. Bellamy, P.E. (P/O. Guilleminette A.F.)		18.36	23.35	Primary "F" bombed from 15,000 ft. Visibility good, no cloud. Well lighted up by flares. Successful trip. Took-off from Harwell.	A-161
"	B.K. 340 "F"	Sgt. Spooner, G.L. P/O. Leigh, J.H. Sgt. Mackay, R.E. P/O. Robinson, F.M. Sgt. Mackay, J.H. (Sgt. Gault, J.A.R.)		18.34	23.16	Primary target bombed from 14,000 ft. Followed river and saw built up area west side of river, about 400 ft. Flares were seen on approaching target and smoke up to about 8,000 ft. Flares lit up target wall. Took-off from Harwell.	A-162

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19/26 Jan/43 (NIGHT)	Wellington III B.K. 539 "g"	Sgt. Brownson, J.H.W. Sgt. Morson, J.H. Sgt. Panton, J.H.J. P/O. Hodgetts, D.B.J. Sgt. Morson, R.H. (Sgt. Lapointe, P.C.)	Bombing Lorient.	18.32	23.21	Primary target aiming point "F" bombed from 15,000 ft. Bombed visual following river. Successful trip, well light up by flares. Normal flak. Took-off from Harwell.	A-163
"	X.3648 "r"	Sgt. Smith, J.F. Sgt. Smith, E.A. P/O. Cook, E.C. P/S. Burns, W.H.G. P/S. Bennett, B. Sgt. Chama, B.J.	"	18.30	21.33	Bombed Lorient from 15,000 ft. Intense inaccurate flak Many of our own aircraft on target were seen quite plainly. Landed at Exeter, but took off from Harwell.	A-164
"	B.K. 652 "f"	P/Lt. Roy, G.A. P/O. Davidson, W.C. Sgt. Atkins, G. P/O. Boudreau, R.B. Sgt. Doucet, J.M. (Sgt. Turcotte, P.H.)	"	18.45	23.25	Primary target bombed from 14,000 ft. <del>xxxxxx</del> fires scattered but one large <del>xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx</del> concentration in aiming point. Successful trip. Visibility good.	A-165
21/22 Jan/43 (NIGHT)	Wellington III B.K. 340 "m"	P/O. Sturt, E.A. (Sgt. Lamontagne, J.G.) P/S. Dube, J.H.S. P/S. Manning, A. P/S. Hodgetts, E.G. Sgt. Pettit, W.B.	Gardening.	16.55	22.12	2 Vegs. (Ass.B.200) planted successfully, both parachutes seen to open. No cloud, good visibility. 2 vegs. (250 lb. G.P.) brought back, no suitable target.	A-166
"	X.3872 "A"	P/O. Murrell, B.L. (P/O. Hinkley, G.M.) P/S. Hodge, F.W. P/S. Livingston, R.K. P/S. Leisner, J.H. Sgt. Robinson, R.M.	"	16.56	21.37	2 vegs. (Ass.B.200) planted successfully, both parachutes seen to open. 2 vegs. (250 lb. G.P.) brought back, no suitable target. Full moonlight, clear, good visibility. Pin-pointed on E. end of Juiat. Successful trip. Light flak defences over Juiat and Norderney would have made flying over islands themselves unhealthy.	A-167
"	B.K. 539 "s"	P/O. St. Pierre, J.W.W. (P/S. Poirier, A.L.) Sgt. Levesque, J. Sgt. Levesque, J. Sgt. Earl, R.A. Sgt. Brown, W.D.	"	16.55	20.57	2 vegs. (Ass.B.200) planted successfully, both parachutes seen to open. 2 vegs (250 lb. G.P.) brought back, no suitable target. Pin-pointed on Juiat Island. No cloud, slight haze, good vis. Good trip.	A-168
23 Jan/43 (DAY)	Wellington III B.K. 539 "s"	P/Lt. Dripton, R.H. P/O. Lybarger, J.L. P/O. Thompson, J.L.G. Sgt. Lago, J.E. Sgt. Earl, R.A. Sgt. Gray, B.D.	Sea-Search.	08.31	13.11	Nothing to report.	A-169

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23 Jan/43. (DAY)	Wellington III. B.E.337 "F"	P/O. Douette, T. P/O. Desroches J.O.L. P/S. Feloquin J. Sgt. Tollans, D. Sgt. Mahou, P.G. Sgt. Lapointe, R.P.C.	Sea-Search.	08.33	12.17	Nothing to report.	A-170
"	X.364B "F"	Sgt. Dalisle, J.E.R. P/S. Bied, A.F. Sgt. Halladay, J.M. P/O. Debeer, J.C. Sgt. Doucet, F.G. P/S. Dallaire, R.J.G.	"	08.36	11.40	Nothing to report.	A-171
"	X.3876 "D"	P/O. Smith, R.H. P/S. Pridd, F.W. P/S. Anderson, J.M. P/S. Anderson, J.I. P/S. Bonenfant, H. Sgt. Schulz, D.	"	08.42	12.46	Nothing to report.	A-172
"	X.1742 "C"	P/O. Minton, R.S. P/S. Rowe, A.C. P/S. Latremouille, J.R. Sgt. Goulet, J.A.E. P/S. Copeland, Sgt. Outbert, S.	"	08.34	12.55	Nothing to report.	A-173
23 Jan/43. (DAY)	Wellington III. X.3872 "A"	P/O. Murrell, S.L. P/S. Hodge, F.W. P/S. Livingston, R.A. P/S. Lemieux, J.H. Sgt. Robinson, K.L. Sgt. Whitty, S.A.	Moling - Esang.	12.01	16.54	Primary target attacked, Rear Gunner saw bursts in railway yard, also bursts on railway by other A/C. Damaged by light flak West tip of Langerog. Visibility good. Bombs dropped from 1400 feet. Very successful trip.	A-174
"	B.J.622 "E"	S/L. Roy, G.H. P/O. Davidson, W.C. P/S. Atkins, G. P/O. Boudreau, A.B. Sgt. Davenport, J.H. P/O. Lavigne, J.B.V.	"	12.20	17.07	Flew over Juit, and hit by light flak, turned round to return and went over Nordernay, too late to get to target. Bomb load brought back. Unsatisfactory trip.	A-175
"	X.3763 "F"	P/O. Sturt, E.A. P/S. Dube, J.E.G. P/S. Manning, A. P/S. Hodgson, G.C. Sgt. Pettit, V.A. Sgt. McMillan, N.F.	"	12.00	17.04	Primary target attacked. 2 x 1000 lb. G.P. and 2 x 500 lb. G.P. caused 11 seconds delay dropped. Bombed visually, unable to observe. 3/10ths cloud with base 700 feet. good vis. Successful trip. Bombs dropped from 1000 feet.	A-176
26/27 Jan/43 (NIGHT)	Wellington III. X.3763 "F"	Sgt. Gaubier, J.L. Sgt. Glassberg, I. Sgt. Farber, W.C. P/S. Dugal, J.B.A. P/S. Leachin, M. Sgt. Mahou, P.G.	Bombing Lorient.	17.10	22.45 (Colerne)	Target successfully attacked, bombs dropped from 14,000 ft. in centre of built-up area. Good visibility, no cloud. Landed Colerne owing to shortage of petrol. (Oil leak). Successful trip. Returned base at 1538 hrs on 27th Jan, 1943.	A-177

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26/27 Jan (NIGHT)	3 Wellington III X.1742 "C"	Sgt. Rivard, J.J.M. P/S. Logan, R.H. Sgt. Payette, B. Sgt. Douglas, H.H. Sgt. Bollaue, P.R. Sgt. Duval, P.L.	Bombing Lorient.	17.07	22.33 (MIDDLE- Wallop)	Target successfully attacked. Very few flares seen. Flak all way from French Coast to target. Fires seen after bombing. 9/10ths clouds. Visibility bad. Bombs dropped from 14,000 ft. Successful trip. Returned base 01.40 hrs. on 27th Jan.	A-176
"	X.3876 "F"	Sgt. Delisle, J.E.H. P/S. Biech, A.T. Sgt. Halladay, J.M. P/O. Debeur, A.C. Sgt. Desest, P.G. P/S. Dallaire, R.J.C.	"	17.09	23.30	Target successfully attacked, from 14,500 ft. Good vis. Both sides of river and town well alight. Great deal of smoke over town at least 1,000 feet high.	A-179
"	B.J.918 "F"	Sgt. Turcotte, D.J. Sgt. Williamson, H.F. Sgt. McNeill, J.A.F. Sgt. Stallings, J.E. Sgt. Campbell, K.S. P/O. Tachereau, J.J.G.	"	17.13	23.14 (WYSE- Wald)	Target successfully attacked. Bombs dropped from 13,000 ft. in centre of built up area. Photo flash did not go off. Very successful trip. Returned base 1730 hrs, 27th Jan. 1943.	A-180
"	B.K.332 "O"	P/O. Duquette, T.A. P/O. Desroches, J.O.L. P/S. Peloguin, A. Sgt. Vollans, H. P/S. Remonant, R. Sgt. Lamontagne, J.G.	"	17.08	00.06	Target successfully attacked. Bombs dropped from 14,000 ft. Fire seen to start. Flare well alight, could see fires for about 60 miles on return trip. Very successful.	A-181
"	B.K.153 "S"	P/S. Spooner, C.L. P/S. Leigh, S.K. Sgt. MacKay, R.S. P/S. LeDessau, F.M. Sgt. Gray, R.B. Sgt. Goulet, J.A.E.	"	17.16	22.13 (Colaine)	Target successfully attacked. Bombs dropped from 13,000 ft. and seen to explode. 5/10ths cloud. Vis. good. Landed Colerne owing to oil leak. Returned base 1158 hrs 27th Jan.	A-182
"	X.3648 "F"	P/S. Jackson, A.H. P/S. Bell, D.A. Sgt. Ross, J. P/S. Atkinson, J.G. Sgt. Chaput, J.H.A. Sgt. Lapointe, J.P.C.	"	17.10	20.40	After encounter with 2 enemy A/C during which evasive action had to be taken, pilot was unable to regain operational height, so turned before reaching target. Bombs brought back. Landed at Middle Wallop and returned to base at 1453 hours, 27th Jan. Unsatisfactory trip.	A-183
"	B.K.539 "S"	W/C. St.Pierre, J.M.W. P/O. Lybman, J.H. Sgt. Lago, J.E. Sgt. Earl, E.A. Sgt. Brown, W.D. W/O. Marotte, J.H.	"	17.20	23.55	Target successfully attacked. Bombs dropped from 11,000 ft. Saw fires start after bombs dropped. Very successful trip.	A-184
"	B.K.340 "S"	P/O. Stubb, Ed. P/S. Dube, J.R.C. P/S. Manning, A. P/O. Hodgson, E.C. Sgt. Pettit, W.D. P/O. Klakney, G.M.	"	17.09	22.33	Target successfully attacked. Bombs dropped from 12,500 ft. Built up area seen quite clearly owing to flares and fires. Successful trip. Landed Warrumbly as generator w/s. Came back to base 1123 hrs, 27th Jan.	A-185

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"	B.J. 669 "J"	Sgt. Michaud, J.P. P/O. Lariviere, J.D.V. Sgt. Brown, F.H. P/S. Woodrow, J.H. Sgt. McMillan, M.A. Sgt. Whitty, S.A.	"	17.12	23.35	Target successfully attacked from 15,000 ft. No cloud, heavy fog vis. Saw own bursts in southern part of town. Plenty of fires on both sides of river. Defences negligible over target but heavy flak off target was inaccurate. More flak when crossing coast than over target. Successful trip.	A-187
29/30 Jan/43 (NIGHT)	Wellington III. L.3872 "A"	Sgt. Perron, M. Sgt. Ceter, R.O.G. Sgt. Gray, J.D. Sgt. Coates, D.W. Sgt. Deschamps, J. Sgt. Brown, W.G.	Bombing Lorient.	17.02	21.35	Returned early owing to oxygen failure. Bombs brought back.	A-188
"	B.K. 344 "F"	Sgt. Turcotte, F.H. Sgt. Laberge, J.P.A. Sgt. Kemp, R.F. Sgt. Redmond, H. Sgt. Lyne, S.G. Sgt. Mahon, P.G.	"	17.16	20.19	Returned early, Inter-comm. u/s. Bombs brought back.	A-189
"	Z.1742 "C"	Sgt. Rivard, J.J.M. P/S. Logan, R.H. Sgt. Fyvie, R. Sgt. Douglas, R.H. Sgt. Delisle, J.F. P/S. Poirier, G.A.	"	17.05	23.41	Bombed with Gee from 12,000 ft. 10/10ths clouds brightly illuminated by bomb bursts. 192 x 4 lb. incendiaries hung up and brought back. As a raid it was not successful.	A-190
"	B.J. 652 "B"	Sgt. Delisle, J.E.H. P/S. Biech, A.T. Sgt. Halladay, J.M. P/O. Debnar, A.G. Sgt. Donnet, P.G. Sgt. Bullock, P.H.	"	17.05	20.04	Returned early because of W/T failure, also inter-comm. U/S.	A-191
"	B.K. 332 "G"	Sgt. Smith, F.J. Sgt. Smith, P.A. P/O. Cook, H.W. P/S. Burke, G.W.G. Sgt. Schulz, G. Sgt. Whitty, S.A.	"	17.02	22.10	Returned early and landed at Tepcliffe because of the Gee becoming u/s. Bombs brought back. Weather terrible 10/10ths cloud from English coast to French coast.	A-192
"	B.K. 153 "P"	P/S. Spooner, C.L. P/S. Leigh, J.E. Sgt. Mackay, R.S. P/S. Lebrun, J.M. Sgt. Gray, J. P/O. Worsley, A.L.	"	17.05	21.53	Returned early because of the oxygen supply being u/s. also starboard motor u/s. 1 x 4000 lb. C.P. jettisoned safe but went off 50° 05N-02° 44W.	A-193

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"	R.K. 539 "S"	F/L. SEYFERT, J.L. F/O. MacIntyre, J.S. F/O. Bourgeois, B.A. F/S. Leberge, J.C.A. F/S. Lagace, H.P. W/O. Marotte, J.H.	"	17.01	23.09	Primary target attacked on Gee, from 14,000 ft. The flak was intense. 30 x 4lb. incendiaries hung up and were brought back. Very successful trip but weather impossible. No visibility on target at all.	A-195
30 Jan/43 (DAY)	Wellington III. R.K. 344 "P"	F/O. Stutt, P.A. F/S. Dube, J.R.C. F/S. Manning, A. F/O. Hodgson, E.C. Sgt. Fawcett, W.R. F/S. Bonenfant, R.	Moling - Oldenburg.	12.57	17.46	Returned early owing to lack of cloud cover. Bombs brought back.	A-196
"	X.387 "D"	Sgt. Michaud, J.P. F/O. Lariviere, J.D.V. Sgt. Rowan, F.H. F/S. Woodrow, J.H. Sgt. Gillan, M.T. Sgt. Lapointe, J.F.C.	"	12.50	16.25	Returned early owing to lack of cloud cover, Bombs brought back.	A-197
"	R.J. 652 "E"	Sgt. Turanne, D.J. Sgt. Williamson, H.P. Sgt. Mellour, J.A.F. Sgt. Stillings, J.E. Sgt. Campbell, H.S. Sgt. Mahou, P.G.	"	12.53	17.15	Returned early owing to lack of cloud cover. Bombs brought back.	A-198
"	X.3872 "A"	F/O. Murrell, S.L. F/S. Hodge, F.W. F/S. Livingston, R.A. F/S. "Amieur, J.H. Sgt. Robinson, R.L. Sgt. Gray, R.E.	"	12.36	19.02	Believed bombed Westerstede. No cloud cover south of this. Bombed from 2,000 feet. On the way back when at about 2,000 feet, 2 E/A. H.E. 109 F's were sighted approaching from port and starboard quarters respectively, and they proceeded to make cross-over attacks. After these attacks, the E/A came in on curves for pursuit attacks. The fight went on for approx. fifteen minutes. At the last attack one E/A flew right over within 40 yards. Both gunners of the Wellington clearly saw several of their streams of bullets enter the E/A, and after one of them was turning in to attempt a final attack, white smoke was seen to be pouring from its engine, and it peeled off without completing its manoeuvre. Neither a/c was seen again. About half way through the fight, the Wellington fuselage was hit by cannon and fire broke out behind the Navigator's seat, and was extinguished by a member of the crew. Neither aircraft is claimed as destroyed.	A-199

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