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FOR THE MONTH OF July 1943.

DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
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Night. 1/2-7-43.	Wellington X. H.E. 900 "E"	P/O. Michaud, J.P. P/O. Lyburner, J.L. P/O. Lago, J.E. P/O. Woodrow, J.H. P/O. Daoust, J.M.	Bombing. Cagliari.	2139	0212	Bomb Load 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2x 250, dropped at 7,000 feet. Target obscured but docks identified. Own bombs seen to burst. Defences were not effective. A/C returned safely to base.	A-497
"	H.E. 922 "B"	S/L. Hebert, J.C. P/O. Elliott, D.M. Sgt. Jenkins, A. P/O. Strong, R. Sgt. Hyde, P.	"	2136	0236	Bomb Load 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250, dropped at 7500 feet. at 245 m.p.h. Target was identified visually by aid of flares. Bombs seen to burst. Results not observed. Moderate flak. 2 to 10 S/L's put out by I.F.F. Aircraft returned safely to base.	A-498
"	H.E. 900	P/L. Delisle, J.C.H. P/O. Riech, A.T. P/O. Halliday, L.M. P/O. Cabot, G.D. P/S. Doucet, P.G. (P/L. Wilson, D.C.)	"	2137	0151	Bomb Load 2 x 1,000, 4 x 500 dropped at 5500 feet. Target was identified by S/L's and bomb bursts. Scattered medium heavy flak. Few S/L's, but these put out by I.F.F. Scattered cloud over target, electrical storm. Successful trip.	A-499
"	H.E. 931 "I"	Sgt. Brousseau, J.H. Sgt. Moreau, J.H. P/S. Rowan, P.H. P/O. Hodgins, D.B. Sgt. Marceau, H.B.	"	2144	0238	Bomb Load: 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250, dropped at 6000 ft. Own bomb bursts observed to his satisfaction. Few S/L's and flak encountered. One unidentified aircraft observed going down in flames. Visibility was poor with cloud over target. Trip should be successful. A/C returned safely.	A-500
"	H.E. 329 "O"	P/O. Marotte, J.H. P/O. Spackman, M.E. P/O. Hobson, J.W. P/O. Young, H.A. P/S. McMillivray, R.L.	"	2150	0230	Bomb Load 5x 500, 2 x 1,000, 2 x 250, dropped at 6500 feet. at a speed of 220 m.p.h. Target was identified by flares on Northern part of city. Docks and Railway Station clearly identified. Southern area of railway station in bomb sight. Four sticks of bombs seen to burst in target area. Moderate heavy flak and few S/L's observed. Successful trip. Aircraft returned safely to base.	A-501
"	H.E. 260 "P"	P/O. DeSella, H. Sgt. Cayman, J.C. Sgt. Gilant, G.F. P/O. Hill, G.A. Sgt. Maddell, J.	"	2140	0300	Bomb Load: 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250, dropped from 6200 feet. Dock area seen in bomb sight and one stick seen to burst in target area. Defences negligible. Weather over target was poor. Successful trip.	A-502
"	H.E. 551 "Q"	P/O. Stutt, R.A. P/O. Dubs, J.A. P/O. Manning, J.E. P/O. Hodgson, E.C. Sgt. Pettit, W.D.	"	2152	0220	Bomb load: 2 x 1,000, 4 x 500, dropped at 4500 feet. Marshalling yards visually identified by triangular lake S.E. of target. Bomb bursts observed in target area. Moderate and heavy flak co-operating with S/L's appeared to be stronger than usual. Cloud and electric storms were experienced on way out.	A-503
"	H.E. 978 "R"	P/O. Turbune, D.J. P/O. Williamson, H.P. P/O. McNeill, J.A. P/S. Stillings, J.E. Sgt. Campbell, R.E.	"	2140	0313	Bomb load: 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250, dropped at 7500 ft. Target identified visually. Bomb bursts seen in backyard area. No defences encountered around target area. Medium flak and few S/L's operating N.W. of town. The crew did not consider this a successful trip.	A-504

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XXXX Night 1/2-7-43.	Wellington X. H.E. 979 "Y"	Sgt. Montpetit, J.F. P/O. McPhee, H.H. Sgt. Lounigant, J.R. Sgt. Rakoff, J.R. Sgt. Desjardins, P.	Bombing Cagliari.	2156	0233	Bomb load: 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250, dropped at 7500 ft. Target was identified by aid of flares. Bomb bursts were seen N.W. of marshalling yards. Inaccurate flak 2 miles N.E. of town. Should be a successful show. A/C returned safely to base.	A-505
"	L.N.426 "D"	Sgt. Jackson, A.H. P/O. Bell, D.A. P/S. Ross, J. P/O. Atkinson, P.O. P/S. Tremblay, J.E.	"	2140	2352	Bomb load, 1 x 4,000 lb. bomb. This aircraft did not reach target as two members of the crew were ill. Bomb was jettisoned.	A-506
Night. 2/3-7-43	Wellington X. H.E. 522 "B"	P/C. St. Pierre, J.M.W. P/L. Bell, J.W. P/L. Wainwright, L.A. P/Sr. Champagne, A.H. Sgt. Gray, B.D.	Bombing. Olbia.	2046	0306	Bomb load, 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250, dropped at 5200 ft. Speed of 210 mph. Target was identified visually. Flares were good. Target seen in bomb sight and bombed accordingly. Bomb bursts seen in vicinity of railroad station. Flak was observed on both sides of the inlet bursting at 10,000 feet. One S/L observed along shore and appeared to be firing positions. Visibility was fair with 5/10th clouds. Very successful trip.	A-507
"	H.E. 970 "C"	Sgt. Osmond, H.H. Sgt. Denis, J.S.J. Sgt. Bell, M.R. Sgt. Morris, J.C. Sgt. Little, J.D.	"	2055	0320	Bomb load, 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250. On way back from target, base could not be found and consequently the aircraft ran out of petrol. It landed in three feet of water, on low tide, five miles from Stax. Two members of the crew, the Nav. and W/AG, were seriously injured and the three others slightly.	A-508
"	L.N.436 "D"	Sgt. Hawkins, R.C. Sgt. Hunting, R. P/O. Stafford, T. Sgt. Moran, G.S. P/S. Tremblay, J.E.	"	2047	0222	Bomb load: 1 x 4,000 lb. dropped at 6500 feet. Target was identified visually by aid of flares. Saw bomb burst believed to have fallen S. of marshalling yards. Slight heavy flak in North Shores of harbour. S/L's were nil. Vis. was poor with 5/10th clouds at 5,000 feet. Observed a convoy believed being attacked at 0034 hours at 3850 N. 1030 E. Successful trip. A/C. returned safely to base.	A-509
"	H.E. 900 "E"	P/O. DeSelle, H. Sgt. Cavanagh, J.C. Sgt. Gallant, H.C. P/O. Hill, G.A. Sgt. Liddell, J.	"	2048	0236	Bomb load: 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250. Dropped at 6200 ft at 190 mph. Target was identified visually and bombs believed to have been dropped in built up area to South of marshalling yards. Little light and heavy flak experienced with approximately half a dozen S/L's, but not very effective. A successful trip.	A-510
"	H.E. 329 "D"	P/O. Marotta, J.H. P/O. Spackman, W.R. P/O. Hobson, J.W. P/O. Young, H.J. P/S. McAlivray, R.L.	"	2044	0259	Bomb load, 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250. Scrapped at 4700 ft. Target identified visually. Bombs were dropped in vicinity of docks. Several explosions seen and one very large fire seen burning in dock area. Some light and heavy flak North of town. No S/L's. Visibility over target was good. Flares were excellent. One sea plane observed in vicinity of target. Should be an excellent show.	A-511

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Flight. 2/3-7-43.	Wellington X, H.E.261 "R"	P/O. Michaud, J.P. P/O. Rymburner, J.L. P/O. Lago, J.E. P/O. Woodrow, J.H. P/O. Daoust, J.M.	Bombing. Olbis.	2059	0320	Bomb load, 2 x 1,000, dropped at 6500 feet. 3 x 500 and 2 x 250 hung up. Target was identified visually. Own bombs were seen to burst. Bombs dropped very close to main railway station. One large fire was seen burning and several explosions observed. Small landing. Fires could be seen for 20 miles which appeared to be an oil storage. Fairly accurate light and heavy flak encountered. No searchlight. Visibility was good with 5/10th clouds. Following bombing, one aircraft was seen to burst in flame and crashed to ground. A very successful show.	A-512
"	H.E.516 "S"	S/L. Richer, B.D. P/O. Stanford, A.R. P/O. Belanger, P.P. P/O. Cairns, J.G. P/O. Hamblin, W.D.M.	"	2054	0314	Bomb load, 2 x 1,000 dropped at 6,000 ft. 5 x 500 and 2 x 250 hung up. One very large explosion was seen on landing. Small flak fires rising to about 500 feet. Fires other than these were also observed. Some fairly accurate light and heavy flak. No S/L. Four very large ships seen in the Bay S.E. of P. Delle Palina. Chandelier flares observed in target area. Should be a very successful show.	A-513
"	H.E.976 "X"	P/O. Turcotte, D.J. P/O. Williamsch, H.P. P/O. Melleur, J.A.F. P/O. Stilling, J.E. Sgt. Campbell, R.S.	"	2051	0302	Bomb load 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped at 7500 ft. Target was identified visually. A number of fires were seen burning. One 1,000 pound bomb was seen bursting on target. Fairly accurate flak encountered at 6-10,000 feet. Visibility over target was good. A very good show.	A-514
Flight. 4-5-7-43.	Wellington X, H.E.522 "B"	S/L. Hebert, J.C. P/O. Young, J.W. Sgt. Jenkinson, A. P/O. Champagne, J. Sgt. Hyde, P.	Bombing. Villaciara.	2031	0137	Bomb load: 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250. Dropped at 6,000 ft. at 170 m.p.h. Target was identified by flares and bombed accordingly. Smoke was seen falling on N.W. corner. Woods seemed to be on fire. Much smoke was observed over area. Defences were very poor with one S/L. at drums. Decoy active. Visual Morse approaching enemy coast about 15 miles away. Flashing series of dots. A/C returned safely. A good trip.	A-515
"	L.N.436 "D"	Sgt. Hawkins, K.C. Sgt. Bunting, R. P/O. Stafford, T. Sgt. Morneau, G.S. Sgt. Platana, D.D.	"	2037	0115	Bomb Load 1 x 1,000 lb. bomb dropped at 6,000 Feet. Own burst not observed. Saw one large bomb burst N.E. corner of field. Four or five circular fires were observed near Southern boundary. Flak was inaccurate. Three Master beams were observed at Cagliari. Flares were very good. Should be a successful effort. A/C returned safely.	A-516
"	H.E.900 "E"	P/O. Delisle, J.C.H. P/O. Biech, A.T. P/O. Halliday, L.M. P/O. DeBoer, A.G. P/O. Doucet, P.G. (P/O. Charlesworth, J.)	"	2042	0116	Bomb load, 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250, dropped at 6,000 ft. at 170 m.p.h. Bombing run made from N. to E. and bombs seen to burst on landing field. Five other A/C's were seen to drop bombs in the landing area. One large fire and explosion observed. Little defences encountered. A good trip.	A-517
"	H.E.976 "H"	P/O. Jackson, A.H. P/O. Bell, D.A. P/O. Ross, J. P/O. Atkinson, F.G. P/O. Tremblay, J.E.	"	2034	0134	Bomb load: 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250. Dropped at 6500 ft. Own bombing results could not be observed. Many bomb bursts were observed also small fires with one large one which appeared to be in the woods. Defences were nil in target area. Satisfactory trip.	A-518
"	H.E.931 "I"	P/O. Spooner, C.L. (P/O. McNeilin, R.E.) P/O. Leigh, J.E. P/O. Mackey, R.S. P/O. LeDessay, P.M. Sgt. Gray, B.B.	"	2039	0141	Bomb load, 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250, dropped at 6500 ft. Own bomb bursts seen in target area but results not observed. Small amount of flak and one S/L. observed 1/2 of a mile N. of target. Visibility over target hazy. Good trip.	A-519

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"	H.E. 516 "S"	S/L. Richer, B.D. P/O. Stanford, R.R. P/O. Selinger, R.F. P/O. Cairns, D.G. P/O. Hamlin, W.D.M.	"	2040	0150	Bomb load: 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250 lb. dropped from 6000 ft. Bombs seen to burst across N. Eastern edge of drop zone. Four fires were observed on drop zone. Aircraft was chased at Cagliari by two master beams. Aircraft returned safely to base.	A-521.
"	H.E. 978 "X"	P/O. Turenee, D.J. P/O. Williams, H.P. P/O. Meilleur, J.A.P. P/S. Stillings, J.H. (Sgt. Campbell, R.S.) (Sgt. Farnell, C.E.)	"	2030	0110	Bomb load: 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped at 6500 ft. Own bombing results not observed. Bomb bursts seen in vicinity of Southern edge of landing field. Fires also seen in West dispersal. No opposition encountered over target but some heavy flak and S/L's at Cagliari. Successful trip.	A-522.
"	H.E. 260 "P"	P/O. DeSolla, H. Sgt. Cayman, G.C. Sgt. Callant, G.W. P/O. Hill, G.A. Sgt. Liddell, J.	"	2036	0122	Bomb load: 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped at 6500 ft. Aircraft unable to identify landing ground. Town was bombed. No flak experienced over target. Cagliari defences appeared very accurate. Aircraft was chased but S/L's put out by IRF. A good trip.	A-523
Night 5-6/7/43.	Wellington X. H.E. 930 "A"	P/O. Michaud, J.P. P/O. Lymburner, H.L. P/O. Lago, J.B. P/O. Woodson, J.H. P/O. Daoust, J.M. (Sgt. Hadley, H.)	Bombing. Gerbini.	2237	0338	Bomb load: 17 x 250 dropped at 7,000 feet. Target identified visually by aid of flares and D.R. run made from lake. Saw bomb bursts believed to have fallen in target area. Barracks were hit. No defences encountered. Successful raid.	A-524
"	H.E. 522 "B"	S/L. Hebert, J.C. P/O. Young, J.H. Sgt. Jenkinson, A. P/S. Champagne, J.J. Sgt. Hyde, B.	"	2222	0225	Bomb load: 17 x 250 dropped at 6,000 ft. B.R. run made from lake and own bomb seen to burst in open country thought to be aerodrome. Medium heavy and accurate flak seen bursting at 8,000 ft. 2 or 3 S/L's seen going out when I.P.F. jamming used. One JU 88 passed directly overhead on re-approach course. One dummy fire N. of landing ground observed. Successful trip.	A-525.
"	H.E. 900 "B"	P/L. Delisle, J.C.H. P/O. Esch, A.L. P/O. Halladay, L.M. P/O. DeBeer, A.G. P/S. Doucet, P.G. Sgt. Kidd, H.W.)	"	2227	0220	Bomb load 17 x 250 dropped at 7,000 ft. B.R. run made from lake and own bombs seen to burst. Very scattered slight heavy and light flak with no S/L's observed. Two dummy fires observed, one to the South of Gerbini and the other on the route in 10 to 15 miles. These could not be seen before crossing Sicilian coast. Very good trip.	A-526
"	H.E. 976 "H"	P/S. Jackson, A.H. P/O. Bell, D.A. P/S. Ross, J. P/O. Atkinson, P.C. P/S. Tremblay, J.K. (Sgt. Whitmore, E.)	"	2220	0147	Bomb Load: 17 x 250. Wireless Air Gunner was ill shortly after take-off. After crossing corridor, course was set at 172° instead of 072° and ended up off the coast in the vicinity of Sfax. Air error rectified after one hour so set course for base. 7 x 250 brought back, remainder were jettisoned. Unsuccessful trip.	A-527

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"	H.E. 261 "R"	P/O. Klakowicz, C.M. P/O. Paschewski, G. P/O. Belanger, P.P. P/O. Hutton, G.S. P/S. Goyette, J.E.	"	2238	0233	Bomb load: 17 x 250 dropped at 5,000 feet. Photo flash used to identify target. Bombs were dropped in area after S.E. from coast. Defences were very weak, one gun and one S/L only could be observed. A successful trip.	A-529
"	H.E. 551 "F"	P/O. Stutt, R.A. P/O. Duke, J.R.C. P/O. Manning, H.R. P/O. Hodgson, E.C. Sgt. Pettit, W.D.	"	2244	0250	Bomb load: 17 x 250 dropped at 5500 feet. Flares failed to go off and satellite No. 8 not identified, but what appeared to be hangars burning with yellow orange flame and black smoke observed. This did not appear to be dummy fire and vicinity of these fires bombed accordingly. Two S/L's were observed near the Coast South of Catania. Considered to be a successful trip.	A-530
"	H.E. 521 "Y"	Sgt. Breussseau, J.H. Sgt. Moreau, J.H. P/S. Rowan, P.H. P/L. Wilson, D.C. Sgt. Marceau, H.B.	"	2225	0510	Bomb load: 17 x 250, dropped from 7,000 feet. This aircraft was detailed to attack satellite No. 9 which was identified by flares and bombed accordingly. No opposition was encountered. A successful trip.	A-531
"	H.E. 979 "Y"	P/O. DeSella, H. Sgt. Cavanagh, J.C. Sgt. Callant, G.F. P/O. Hill, G.A. Sgt. Liddell, J.	"	2232	0237	Bomb load: 2 x 1,000, 5 x 500, 2 x 250, dropped from 6800 feet. Catania was visually identified by the flares and bombed accordingly. Saw own bombs burst and thought to have fallen across N.W. of aerodrome in barracks and huts area. Two steady searchlights and two sleeping thought to be operating with fighters were observed. A successful raid.	A-532
Night 6-8/7/43.	Wellington X. H.E. 930 "A"	P/O. Michaud, J.P. P/O. Lymburner, J.L. P/O. Lago, J.R. P/O. Wootton, W.H. P/O. Doust, J.M.	Bombing. Catania.	0115	0502	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped at 6,000 feet. Target was identified visually and bombs dropped accordingly. One or two fires were seen. Many bomb bursts were observed and a number of fires were seen to start. No opposition encountered. A very good trip.	A-533
"	H.E. 522 "P"	P/O. St. Pierre, J.M.W. P/L. Bell, J.W. P/L. Wainwright, L.A. P/O. Lord, E.W. Sgt. Gray, R.R.	"	0059	0504	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 7200 feet. D.R. run made from hangar. Bomb bursts within target area. Many other bomb bursts seen in T.A. Guns observed from dock and coast area. Five S/L's operating in one cone observed. A successful trip.	A-534
"	H.E. 900 "R"	P/L. Delisle, J.C.H. P/O. Birch, A.K. P/O. Halliday, L.M. P/O. Debeer, A.G. P/S. Doust, P.H.	"	0100	0540	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped at 6,000 feet. Target was visually identified and run made from coast. Bombs dropped in one stick, results not observed. The aircraft was hit by one stick when going in to the target. Hydraulics went W/S, one wheel was down, bomb doors open and main arm. About four S/L's at Cap Grace with light flak being hose piped up from S. & S. of target. IPF successful on S/L's cones. A/G. returned safely to base and captain performed a masterful landing with no further damage to A/G or injuries to crew.	A-535

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"	H.E. 260 "P"	E/O. DeSells, T. Sgt. Cavanagh, J.C. Sgt. Gallant, G.F. E/O. Hill, G.A. Sgt. Liddell, J.	"	0105	0517	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped at 6200 feet. Road parallel to railway station identified and bombs dropped partly on road and partly on landing ground. Light flak encountered in dock area. One night fighter seen to open up on aircraft. A successful trip.	A-537
"	H.E. 261 "R"	E/O. Blakeney, G.M. E/O. Tancherem, G. E/O. Weillieur, J.A.F. E/O. Hutton, G.S. Sgt. Fair, R.B.	"	0103	0509	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped at 6500 feet. D.R. made from dock area and stick dropped parallel to road and railway. Other bombs seen bursting in the area. Defences observed negligible.	A-538
"	H.E. 516 "S"	S/L. Richer, B.D. E/O. Stansfield, A.E. E/O. Belanger, P.P. E/O. Wilson, D.C. E/O. Hamblin, W.D.M.	"	2308	0337	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 5500 feet. Target was visually identified and bombs dropped in one stick from S. to N. Other bombs were seen to burst and hit dispersals. Concentration of flak observed S. of town. Also many blue searchlights. Successful trip.	A-539
"	H.E. 551 "T"	E/O. Stutt, R.A. E/O. Dubs, J.H.W. E/O. Manning, H.R. E/O. Hodgson, S.C. E/O. Blackert, S.G. Sgt. Whitmore, E.	"	0112	0511	Bomb Load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 6000 feet. Target identified visually and bombs dropped in one stick. One flare seen burning in T.A. Fair amount of heavy flak bursting from 6 to 8500 feet, coming from N. of target. One cone of S/L's also observed. Defences between Augusta and Catania evenly spaced. Heavy flak but no S/L's. A good trip.	A-540
"	H.E. 521 "Y"	Sgt. Brousseau, V.H. Sgt. Moreau, J.H. E/O. Roman, J.H. E/O. Hodgetts, D.B. Sgt. Marceau, H.B. Sgt. Hadley, N.	"	0110	0506	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 4500 feet. Flares dropped on bombing run. S. to N. road identified by light of flare and bombs dropped in stick E. to W. Many other bomb bursts seen in vicinity. When aircraft on coast, on return journey (S. of Sicily) one large explosion was seen in T.A. Heavy flak S. of town and little light flak and blue S/L's about four in number were observed. A successful trip.	A-541
"	H.E. 329 "Q"	E/O. Marcotte, J.H. "IMP". E/O. Spackman, W.R. E/O. Hobson, J.W. E/O. Young, W.V. E/O. McGilivray, R.L. E/O. Bendall, W.R.	"	0108	0453	Bomb Load:- 18x 250 dropped from 5,000 feet. Target identified by aid of flares and bombing run made E. to W. across Northern tip of landing ground. Own bombs seen to burst. Flare searchlights seen on ground. Heavy flak encountered with beam of cones observed S. of town. A successful trip.	A-542
"	H.E. 979 "Y"	Sgt. M'Pettit, J.F. E/O. McChae, I.W. Sgt. Lousignant, J.R. Sgt. Turcotte, J.F. Sgt. Desjardins, F.	"	2310	0348	Bomb Load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 5,000 feet. Target identified by aid of flares. Flares could be also identified. Bombs dropped accordingly. Bombs also seen to explode in centre of dome following parallel course to railway. Heavy flak encountered 8 to 9,000 feet and light flak at 5-6,000 feet in dock area. I.F.F. used to advantage. A successful trip.	A-543

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				Up	Down		
Night 8/9-7-43.	Wellington X. H.E. 930 "A"	S/L. Hebert, J.C. P/O. Elliott, D.J. Sgt. Jenkinson, A. P/O. Strong, R.J. Sgt. Hyde, P.	Bombing. Gerbini.	2059	0131	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 7500 feet. Target identified by aid of flares and bombs seen to burst in target area. Little unscattered flak also 4 S/L's observed. Defences heavy about town of Catania. Saw what appeared to be an aircraft in flames with S/D's following. A good effect.	A-544
"	H.E. 267 "I"	F/S. Jackson, A.H. P/O. Bell, D.A. F/S. Ross, J. F/S. Ledrassey, F.H. F/S. Tremblay, J.E. (Sgt. Beattie, D.H.)	"	2117	0148	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 7500 feet. Target identified by aid of flares and own bombs seen burning. Heavy and light flak scattered N.E. of town. Two cases of 3.5 S/L's observed. A good trip.	A-545
"	H.E. 516 "B"	F/L. Rabessey, G.M. P/O. Tascheran, G. P/O. Belanger, P.F. P/O. Hutten, G.S. F/S. Goyette, J.P. (Sgt. Farnell, G.R.)	"	2103	0105	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 7,000 feet. Target identified by aid of flares and own bombs seen burning S.W. of A.D. Heavy and light flak scattered N.E. of town with approximately 4 S/L's coming up aircraft. Defences appeared to be heavy at Catania and large fires were observed. A very successful trip.	A-546
"	H.E. 330 "W"	F/S. Hastie, E.H. Sgt. Elhorn, H.B. Sgt. Fullerton, L.D. Sgt. Beattie, D.H. Sgt. Mitchell, J.W.	"	2057	0155	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 6,000 feet. Target was identified by aid of flares and own bombs seen to burst. One fire seen in target area. Medium flak flashless and accurate N.W. of T.A. two S/L's observed S. of town. A good trip, should be very successful.	A-547
"	H.E. 978 "X"	P/O. Turcotte, D.J. P/O. Williamson, H.P. P/O. Mellieur, J.A.P. F/S. Stillings, J.E. Sgt. Campsall, R.S.	"	2101	0133	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 7,000 feet. Target was identified visually by aid of flares and target was bombed accordingly. Own bombs seen to burst in area. Other bomb bursts seen in same area. Heavy flashless and accurate flak encountered, also 7 S/L's observed. A successful trip.	A-548
9-10/7/43.	H.E. 930 "A"	P/O. Richards, V.P. P/O. Lomburger, J.L. P/O. Lago, J.E. P/O. Woodrow, J.H. P/O. Daoust, J.H. F/S. Bendall, J.R.)	Bombing. Catania.	2043	2205	Bomb load:- 9 x 500. Aircraft returned early due to engine trouble. Bomb load brought back.	A-549
"	H.E. 330 "C"	S/L. Hebert, J.C. P/O. Elliott, D.J. Sgt. Jenkinson, A. P/O. Strong, R.J. Sgt. Hyde, P.	"	2035	0050	Bomb load:- 9 x 500, dropped from 7,000 feet. Bombs seen to burst in built up area of town. Three progressing fires seen in dock area with blue smoke issuing. The whole southern coast of Sicily assumed to be lit by flares most of them thought to have been fired from the ground. Moderate heavy flak at 12,000 feet coming from W. of target. S/L's weak and ineffective. Successful trip.	A-550
"	H.E. 468 "P"	F/S. Hastie, E.H. Sgt. Elhorn, H.B. Sgt. Fullerton, L.D. Sgt. Beattie, D.H. Sgt. Mitchell, J.W.	Bombing. Syracuse.	2356	0502	Bomb load:- 1 x 1,000 dropped from 8100 feet. Target identified visually by aid of flares. Bomb believed to have dropped in Port area. Fire seen W. of route on S. coast of Sicily. Defences were negligible. A good trip.	A-551

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Night. 9-10/7/43.	Wellington X. L.N. 436 "D."	Sgt. Hawkins, R.C. Sgt. Bunting, R. P/O. Stafford, T. Sgt. Moreau, G.S. Sgt. Platons, D.D.	Bombing. Syracuse.	0003	0158	Bomb load: 1 x 4,000, dropped at 7,000 feet. Flares were very effective and target easily identified. Burst observed N.W. of harbour station. Defences encountered were negligible. Searchlights appeared to be engaged in searching for ships. A successful trip.	A-552.
"	H.E. 267 "I"	F/S. Jackson, A.H. P/O. Bell, D.A. P/S. Ross, J. P/O. Jones, F.M. P/S. Tremblay, J.E. (Sgt. Hadley, N.)	Bombing Catania.	2045	0136	Bomb load:- 9 x 500 dropped at 8,000 feet. Target was easily identified by aid of flares. One bomb burst was seen in dock area. One large fire was seen blazing in the Southern dock area. Fairly accurate and heavy flak seen bursting at 11-12,000 feet. Few S/L's encountered. Vis. was good with no cloud. A number of ships were sighted 10-12 miles off southern coast. The town was well lit and bombing made very easy. A very successful trip.	A-553.
"	H.E. 931 "L"	P/O. DeSolla, H. Sgt. Cavanagh, J.C. Sgt. Gallant, C.F. P/O. Hill, G.M. Sgt. Liddell, J.	"	2046	0135	Bomb load:- 9 x 500 dropped at 6,500 feet. Visibility was very good and target easily identified. A large number of bomb bursts and some very good fires observed. Bomb bursts seen 3/4 miles W. of gas works. Fairly accurate heavy flak encountered. 8-10 S/L's with blue master also observed. A very successful trip.	A-554.
"	H.E. 329 "O"	P/O. Marcotte, J.H. "DOC" P/O. Spackman, W.R. P/O. Hobson, J.W. P/O. Young, W.A. P/S. McMillivray, R.L.	Syracuse	0006	0450	Bomb load:- 9 x 500 dropped at 4,000 feet. Target was identified visually by aid of flares. One bomb not seen but believed to have burst on W. end of railway station. 2 sticks of bombs were seen to burst in dock area. Slight light risk encountered at 7,000 feet. Few S/L's observed mostly ineffective. One unidentified A/C with yellow light in nose flying over T.A. at 9,000 feet; 2 similar A/C's sighted at 7,000 feet, on route home from Sicily. A very successful trip.	A-555.
"	H.E. 516 "S"	S/L. Richer, E.D. P/O. Stanford, A.E. P/O. Belanger, F.F. P/L. Wilson, D.G. P/O. Hamblin, W.D.M.	Syracuse.	0017	0443	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped at 6,000 feet. Target easily identified and bombed accordingly. One bomb seen to burst in T.A. One 4,000 pounder seen to burst. No defences encountered. A very good trip.	A-556.
"	H.E. 551 "M"	P/O. Stutt, R.A. P/O. Dicks, M.H.S. P/O. Manning, H.R. P/O. Hodgson, S.G. P/O. Pettit, W.D. Sgt. Farnell, G.E.	"	0009	0429	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped at 4,500 feet. Target easily identified. Bombs claimed dropped on aiming point. A number of bombs were seen dropping in water. Defences were negligible. A successful trip.	A-557.
"	L.N. 440 "W"	Sgt. Montpetit, J.P. P/O. McPherson, W.A. Sgt. Toussaint, J.R. Sgt. Turcotte, J.F. Sgt. Fair, R.E.	Catania.	2038	0255	Bomb load:- 1 x 4,000 dropped at 6500 feet. Target easily identified by aid of flares. One bomb believed to have burst in sea short of dock area. Three fires seen in T.A. S. coast of Sicily seem to be on fire. Barges seen 10 miles off coast. Moderate heavy flak seen bursting at 6,000 feet. Approximately 20 S/L's were observed operating in 2 zones.	A-558.

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Night 9-10/7/43	Wellington X. H.E. 978 "X"	E/O. Turanno, D. J. E/O. Williamson, H. F. E/O. McIlleer, J. A. F. E/O. Stillings, J. E. Sgt. Hennessey, P. E. (Sgt. Whitmore, S. A.)	Bombing. Catania-Syracuse.	2355	0437	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped at 8,000 feet. Visibility was excellent and target identified very easily. Bombs were dropped N. to S. across aiming point. One 1,000 lb. bomb seen to drop in vicinity of aiming point. One explosion seen S. of target. Defences were negligible. A successful trip.	A-559
"	H.E. 522 "P"	W/C. St. Pierre, J. M. W. F/L. Bell, J. W. F/L. Wainwright, L. A. F/S. Champagne, J. J. Sgt. Gray, R. B. (Sgt. Blackert, S. G.)	"	2359	0456	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped at 6,000 feet. Visibility was excellent and target identified very easily. Bombs in sight overshot just N. of station harbor. Last bomb appeared to hit water. Defences negligible. Fire observed between ships at sea and shore battery with S/L's co-operating. Observed S. coast of Sicily. A successful trip.	A-560
"	H.E. 260 "P"	F/L. Delisle, J. C. H. E/O. Biech, A. A. E/O. Halladay, L. M. E/O. DeBour, A. G. F/S. Doucet, P. G. (F/S. McRessay, F. M.)	Catania-Augusta area. Mandrel	1847	0359	This aircraft was detailed for mandrel patrol over the Catania-Augusta area. No opposition of any kind was encountered. Four ships were observed approx. 25 miles off coast between Catania and Augusta. These could not be identified. Successful patrol.	A-561
"	H.E. 261 "R"	F/L. Blakney, G. M. E/O. Taschereau, J. L. F/S. Mackay, R. S. E/O. Hutton, G. S. F/S. Coyette, J. P. (Sgt. Meeks, S. A.)	Bombing. Syracuse.	0016	0447	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped at 8500 feet. Target was identified visually by aid of flares. Own bombs seen to burst in port area. Many other bomb bursts observed in T.A. What appeared to be dummy fires seen 1/2 miles S.W. of T.A. One unidentified A/C. on fire seen to crash over target. Moderate to slight resistance. One single S/L searching horizontally. A successful trip.	A-562
"	H.E. 521 "W"	Sgt. Brousseau, J. H. N. Sgt. Morvan, J. H. F/S. Rowan, F. H. E/O. Hodgetts, D. E. Sgt. Harwood, A. S. Sgt. Clark, W.	Mandrel Patrol	1958	0305	This aircraft successfully carried out mandrel patrol from 2258 to 0125 hours. No opposition encountered.	A-563
Night 10/11-7-43	H.E. 930 "A"	F/O. Michaud, J. P. E/O. Lomburner, J. L. E/O. Lago, J. E. E/O. Woodrow, J. H. E/O. Daoust, J. M.	Bombing. Gerbini.	2027	2138	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped jettisoned. Aircraft returned early due to engine trouble.	A-564
"	H.E. 516 "S"	S/L. Richer, B. D. E/O. Stanford, A. E. E/O. Belanger, F. P. E/O. Calma, J. G. E/O. Hamilton, W. D. M.	"	2027	0152	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 6,000 feet. Target was identified by aid of flares and bombed accordingly. Own bombing results not observed. Fair size convoy observed in Bay of Augusta. Saw what appeared to be ships firing at town. Defences over target very weak. A good trip.	A-565
"	H.E. 261 "R"	F/L. Blakney, G. M. E/O. Taschereau, J. L. Sgt. Stafford, C. E. J. E/O. Hutton, G. S. F/S. Coyette, J. P. (Sgt. Pope, G. M.)	"	2127	0157	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 7,000 feet. Visibility was fair and target easily identified. Own bomb bursts observed but results unnoticed. No defences encountered over target. A very large convoy sighted in Bay of Augusta. A successful trip.	A-566

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Night. 10/11-7-43	Wellington X, H.E. 260 "P"	F/O. DeSolla, H. Sgt. Cavanagh, J.D. Sgt. Gallant, G.F. P/O. Hill, G.A. Sgt. Liddell, J.	Bombing. Gerbini.	2127	0248	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 8200 feet. Target was identified by aid of flares and own bombs seem to burst in approximate centre of A/D. Little light flak N.E. of target. Many fires observed on S.coast of Sicily. Successful trip.	A-567
"	H.E. 330 "O"	Sgt. Hadley, N. Sgt. Kidd, H.W. Sgt. Radcliffe, A.H. Sgt. Deadman, F.W. Sgt. Hemmesay, P.E.	"	2227	0321	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped at 7,000 feet. Own bombs seem to burst across E.side of target. Very little light flak encountered. Gas mist appeared to be a violent explosion at 1700 N.- 1510 E. from a height of 8,000 feet. A successful trip.	A-568
"	H.E. 267 "I"	Sgt. Farnell, G.E. Sgt. Rogers, D.J.G. Sgt. Buckley, W.H. Sgt. Sauder, W.D. Sgt. Fair, R.E. P/S. Mastle, E.H.	"	2227	0339	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped at 6500 feet. Target identified by flares and own bombs seem to burst. Results not observed. No defences encountered. A successful trip.	A-569
"	H.E. 270 "K"	Sgt. Fullerton, J.D. Sgt. Beattie, D.H. Sgt. Mitchell, J.W.	"	2327	0422	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped at 8,000 ft. Own bombs seem to burst across A.D. West to East. No defences encountered in target area. Many fires observed on E. and S.Coast. A successful trip.	A-570
"	H.E. 931 "L"	F/O. Spooner, C.L. P/O. Leigh, J.E. P/S. Machay, N.S. P/S. LeDressay, P.M. Sgt. Blackert, S.G.	"	2327	0409	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped at 7500 feet. Target identified by flares and bombed accordingly. Saw bomb bursts across A.D. from S. to N. No defences encountered over target. S. Coast appeared to be a mass of fire. Successful trip.	A-571
"	H.E. 329 "O"	F/O. Marcotte, W.H. "B.C." P/O. Speckman, W.R. P/O. Hobson, J.W. P/O. Young, W.J. P/S. McCullisray, R.L.	"	0027	0511	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped at 5,000 ft. Target identified by flares. Own bombing results not observed. Approx. ten guns, heavy and medium accurate flak encountered. A successful trip.	A-572
"	H.E. 551 "W"	F/O. Stutt, R.A. P/O. Dabe, J.R.G. P/O. Manning, R.R. P/O. Hodgson, E.C. P/O. Setit, W.D.	"	0029	0458	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped at 6,000 ft. Target easily identified and own bombs seem to burst, but results could not be observed. Little medium flak experienced N.of T.A. What appeared to be explosions were observed at Augusta. A good trip.	A-573
"	H.E. 978 "Y"	F/O. Turanne, D.J. P/O. Williamson, H.F. P/O. Meilleur, J.A.F. P/O. Stillings, J.E. Sgt. Campaill, H.S.	"	0050	0545	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped at 7,000 ft. Own bombs seem to burst across centre of field. Approx. 8 guns of heavy and fairly accurate flak experienced. Should be a good effort.	A-574
"	H.E. 979 "Y"	Sgt. Montpetit, J.F. P/O. McPhee, L.W. Sgt. Toussaint, J.R. Sgt. Turcotte, W.F. Sgt. Desjardins, P.	"	0050	0538	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped at 7,000 ft. Own bombs seem to burst across centre of A.D. Little heavy flak encountered at a distance. A successful trip.	A-575

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Night. 12-13/7/43	Wellington X. H.E. 950 "A"	P/O. Michaud, J.P. P/O. Lyburner, J.L. P/O. Lago, J.H. P/O. Woodrow, J.H. P/O. Deans, J.H. Sgt. Papp, G.H.	Bombing. Enna.	2101	0012	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 8,000 ft. Target was identified by aid of flares and own bombs seen to burst. Results could not be observed. Defences over target were nil. Many fires observed on W. and S. coast of Sicily. A very good trip.	A-576
"	H.E. 522 "B"	Sgt. Robert, J.C. P/O. Elliott, B.J. Sgt. Jenkinson, A. P/O. Strong, R.W. Sgt. Hyde, P.	"	2052	0046	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 6800 feet. Target was visually identified by aid of flares. Own bombs seen to burst in target area. A very easy trip. Fires and flares seen inland from E. coast. Defences over target were nil.	A577
"	H.E. 330 "C"	P/O. Anderson, G.A. P/O. Young, J.W. Sgt. Roberts, J. P/S. Charnagne, J.J. Sgt. Gray, B.E. (Sgt. Bell, H.T.)	"	2055	0025	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped at 8,000 feet. Target identified by aid of flares. Visibility was very good. Own bombs seen to burst in T.A. Five or six fair size fires observed. No defences encountered. A good trip.	A-578
"	H.E. 976 "H"	P/S. Jackson, A.H. P/O. Bell, D.A. P/S. Ross, J. P/O. Atkinson, P.G. P/S. Tremblay, J.E.	"	2107	0055	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 7,000 feet. Visibility was good and target easily identified. Own bombs were seen to burst and blue explosion observed. Defences over target were nil. Approx. six navigation lights seen en route in near Sicily. These could not be identified. A good trip.	A-579
"	H.E. 267 "I"	Sgt. Hawkins, R.C. Sgt. Bunting, R. P/O. Stafford, E. Sgt. Moreau, G.S. Sgt. Platana, D.D.	"	2109	0205	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 7,000 feet. Target easily identified by aid of flares. Own bombs seen to burst across built-up area in N. Section of town. No defences encountered. A successful trip.	A-580
"	H.E. 270 "K"	P/S. Hestie, E.H. Sgt. Elhorn, H.B. Sgt. Fullerton, L.D. Sgt. Beattie, D.H. Sgt. Mitchell, J.W.	"	2046	0031	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 7,000 feet. Target was identified visually and run made from lake. Saw own bombs burst in vicinity of barracks. A few fires were observed. No defences encountered over target but little flak at coast. A successful trip.	A-581.
"	H.E. 951 "L"	P/O. Spooner, G.L. P/O. Leigh, J.E. P/S. MacKay, R.S. P/S. LeDraasay, F.M. Sgt. Blackert, S.G. P/O. McEwin, R.E.	"	2107	0112	Bomb Load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 7500 feet. Target was visually identified by aid of flares. Own bombing results not observed but many small fires seen progressing in T.A. Defences over target were nil. What appeared to be a W.88 with amber light in nose observed over target. A Successful trip.	A-582
"	H.E. 329 "O"	Sgt. Hadley, N. Sgt. Kidd, H.E. Sgt. Redcliffe, A.H. Sgt. Deadman, F.W. Sgt. Hennessy, P.E.	"	2107	0112	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 4800 feet. Target was visually identified, own bombs seen to burst. Several fires observed in target area. No opposition encountered. A good trip.	A-583.
"	H.E. 260 "P"	Sgt. Farnell, C.E. Sgt. Soper, D.L.G. Sgt. Buckley, M.H. Sgt. Sauder, W.D. Sgt. Fair, R.B.	"	2102	0113	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 6500 feet. Aircraft pinpointed on river and visually identified target. Own bombs seen to burst; also several other bursts observed. Many fires observed in T.A. No defences encountered. Very successful trip.	A-584. <i>[Signature]</i>

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Night. 12-13/7/43	Wellington I. H.E. 261 "A"	F/L. Blakeney, C.M. F/O. Taschereau, G. F/O. Belanger, F.P. F/O. Hutten, G.R. F/S. Coyette, P. F/S. Bendell, N.R.	Bombing. Bnna.	2058	0103	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 7,000 feet. Town identified by aid of flares and D.R. made from lake. Eastern edge of town seen in bomb sight when bombs released. Other bomb bursts and several good fires were also observed. No defences encountered. A successful trip.	A-585
"	H.E. 551 "A"	F/O. Stutt, R.A. F/O. Dube, J.R.G. F/O. Manning, H.R. F/O. Hodgson, G.C. F/O. Pettit, W.D.	"	2104	0050	Bomb load:- 18 x 250 dropped from 6900 feet, at a speed of 205 m.p.h. Aircraft pin-pointed on river and target visually identified. Many bomb bursts seen over town. Two of our own bombs seen to explode. One large fire which appeared to be chemical factory seen. Smoke screen observed after leaving coast, layed by ships seen making landing. Defences over target were negligible. A very good trip.	A-586
"	H.E. 979 "I"	Sgt. Montpetit, J.F. F/O. McFees, L.W. Sgt. Roussignat, J.R. Sgt. Turcotte, J.F. Sgt. Desjardins, P.	"	2108	0158	Bomb load 18 x 250 dropped at 6,000 feet. Target was identified visually and own bombs seen to hit town. Several fires observed in target area. Defences were negligible. A very good trip.	A-587
(Night) 14-15/7/43	Wellington X. H.E. 930 "A"	F/O. Michaud, J.P. E/O. Lymburner, J.L. F/O. Lago, J.B. F/O. Kochman, J.H. F/O. Daoust, J.M. Sgt. Bell, J.T.	Bombing. Naples.	2203	0335	Bomb load:- 8 x 250, 8 x 500 dropped from 8,000 feet. Visual identification made of target and coast line followed. Own bombs seen to burst. A number of fires seen in area of Railway yards. Considerable and accurate flak co-operating with S/L's observed. Two hospital ships sighted off Capri. A successful trip.	A-588
"	H.E. 522 "B"	S/L. Hebert, J.A.G. F/O. Elliott, D.J. Sgt. Jamieson, A. F/O. Strong, R.J. Sgt. Hyde, E.	"	2210	0406	Bomb load:- 8 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped from 8,000 feet. Target identified visually and own bombs seen to burst in marshalling yards. Fires seen in N.W. part of town. Moderate light and heavy flak with 45-50 S/L's operating in cone of 20-30 with guns firing into cone. A/C crashed over target from approx. one and a half minute and suffered a few flak holes. None of the crew were injured. Smoke screen observed N.E. of town and in dock area. Moon too bright for a screen to be effective. A very successful trip. Aircraft returned safely to base.	A-589
"	H.E. 330 "C"	F/O. Anderson, G.A. F/O. Young, J.W. Sgt. Roberts, J. F/S. Champagne, J. Sgt. Gray, B.B.	"	2209	2303	Bomb load:- 8 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped from 8,000 feet. Bombs jettisoned safe in Sebina Kalbra Salt Lake from 2500 feet. Aircraft returned early due to engine trouble.	A-590
"	H.E. 976 "H"	F/S. Jackson, A.H. F/O. Bell, D.A. F/S. Ross, J. F/O. Atkinson, F.G. F/S. Tremblay, J.E.	"	2153	0348	Bomb load:- 8 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped from 8,000 ft. Target was visually identified by moonlight and own bombs seen to burst in Western dock area. Moderate heavy flak from west of town bursting at 15,000 feet with approx. 20-25 S/L's working in cones from West. One Enemy aircraft believed to be Mechi 202 over Bay of Naples. A very successful trip.	A-591

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Night. 14/15/43	Wellington X. H.E. 267 "T"	Sgt. Hawkins, R.C. Sgt. Bunting, R. P/O. Stafford, T. Sgt. Moran, G.S. Sgt. Platana, D.D.	Bombing. Naples.	2154	0416	Bomb load:- 8 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped from 7,000 feet. Target identified visually. own bombs seen to burst. One bomb seen to burst between docks and yards. Fire seen between docks and yards and also one N. of yards. The aircraft was coded by S/L's and heavily engaged after bombing. A fair amount of flak and S/L's observed. A successful trip. Aircraft returned safely to base and undamaged.	A-592.
"	H.E. 270 "K"	P/S. Hattie, E.H. Sgt. Elhorn, H.R. Sgt. Fullerton, J.D. Sgt. Beattie, D.H. Sgt. Mitchell, J.W.	"	2205	0352	Bomb load:- 8 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped from 10,000 feet. Target visually identified by moonlight and bombs seen to burst in Western Dock area. What appeared to be hospital ship seen all lit up in harbour. Moderate heavy flak at 9-11,000 feet. Light flak in dock area. Approx. 15 S/L's operating in case. Smoke screen seen in operation in dock area. One unidentified enemy aircraft seen to make a beam attack from harbour and fired one burst, but was not seen again. Should be a very successful raid.	A-593
"	H.E. 931 "I"	P/O. Spooner, C.L. P/O. Leigh, J.E. P/S. Mackay, R.S. P/S. McDressay, F.M. Sgt. Blackert, S.G.	"	2204	0404	Bomb load:- 8 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped from 9,000 feet. Target identified visually and pin-pointed accordingly. Railway yards in bomb sight and bombs dropped accordingly. Large fire observed in Western part of marshalling yards. Defences heavy along docks and W. of town. Light flak S. of R.R. yards with approx. 30 S/L's. Successful trip.	A-594
"	H.E. 329 "O"	P/O. Marcotte, J.H. P/O. Spackman, W.R. P/O. Hobson, J.W. P/O. Young, W.J. P/S. McCallivray, B.L.	"	2208	0357	Bomb load:- 8 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped from 9,000 feet. Target visually identified. Large fire seen in railway yards and docks in bomb sight and bombed accordingly. Bombs seen to burst in same area. Two large columns of black smoke and red fire observed in same area. Considerable light and heavy flak with approx 20-30 S/L's, observed in operations around Railway yards. A very successful trip.	A-595
"	H.E. 260 "P"	P/O. DeSella, E. Sgt. Cavanagh, J.C. Sgt. Gallant, G.P. P/O. Hill, G.A. Sgt. Kiddle, J.	"	2207	0414	Bomb load:- 8 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped from 8,700 feet. Target visually identified and own bombs seen bursting in centre of dock area. A fair amount of light & heavy moderate flak with approximately 8 S/L's observed. One flak ship observed in harbour firing tracers. Ineffective smoke screen seen in operation. A very successful trip.	A-596
"	H.E. 516 "S"	Sgt. Hadley, N. Sgt. Kidd, H.W. Sgt. Radcliffe, A.H. Sgt. Deedman, P.W. Sgt. Hennessy, P.E.	"	2201	2306	Bomb load:- 8 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped from 8,000 feet. Target visually identified and bombs dropped along landward edge of dock area, but not seen to burst. Other bombs seen bursting in same area. Scattered heavy flak observed with S/L's observed. A successful trip.	A-597
"	H.E. 551 "T"	P/O. Stutt, R.A. P/O. Dubs, J.R.C. P/O. Manning, H.R. P/O. Hodgson, E.C. P/O. Pettit, W.D. P/S. Bendall, M.R.	"	2156	0359	Bomb load:- 8 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped from 9,000 feet. Target visually identified and bombs dropped along landward edge of dock area, but not seen to burst. Other bombs seen bursting in same area. Scattered heavy flak observed with S/L's observed. A successful trip.	A-598

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Night 14-15/7/43	Wellington X. H.E. 521 "Y"	Sgt. Brousseau, J.H. Sgt. Moreau, J.H. P/O. Rowan, P.H. P/O. Hodgetts, D.B.J. Sgt. Moreau, H.B. (P/O. McEckin, R.)	Bombing. Naples.	2157	0342	Bomb load:- 8 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped from 8,000 feet. Target visually identified and bombs dropped between railway yards and docks. Two bursts were seen. Some 4,000 and 500 lb bombs seen to burst in town. Few fires observed. Heavy but inaccurate flak observed. Approx. 30 S/L's working independently. Smoke screens active. A successful trip.	A-599
"	L.N. 440 "W"	Sgt. Farnell, C.E. Sgt. Soper, D.J.G. Sgt. Buckley, W.H. Sgt. Sauder, W.D. Sgt. Fair, R.B.	"	2158	0355	Bomb load:- 1 x 4,000, dropped from 9,000 feet. Target identified by flares and moonlight. Bomb seen to burst between docks and marshalling yards. Large fire seen in marshalling yards with white explosions coming from it. Moderate heavy flak evenly spaced in dock area. Approx. 25 S/L's operating in cones were observed. Five scattered flak ships operating in harbour. Dock area covered with smoke, thought to be a smoke screen. Very successful trip.	A-600
"	H.E. 976 "X"	P/O. Turenne, D.W. P/O. Williamson, H.E. P/O. Heilour, A.P. P/O. Stillings, J.E. Sgt. Campbell, R.S. Sgt. Pope, G.H.	"	2200	0418	Bomb load:- 8 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped from 8,000 feet. Target identified visually. Own bombs seen to burst in marshalling yards. A few scattered fires observed in railway yards. Smoke screen in E. of town blowing over dock area. A hospital ship, observed off side of Capri, which seemed stationary. Moderate medium and light flak in dock area. 25-30 S/L's operating singly and 2 cones of 5 also observed. Very successful trip.	A-601
"	H.E. 979 "Y"	Sgt. Montpetit, J.F. P/O. McPhee, L.W. Sgt. Fougnant, J.R. Sgt. Turcotte, J.F. Sgt. Desjardins, F.	"	2159	0412	Bomb load:- 8 x 500, 2 x 250 dropped from 8,500 feet. Target identified visually. Bombs believed to have burst along docks. Saw 1 x 4,000 lb. bomb burst in Western dock area. Smoke screen in dock area. Saw 5-6 ships off Trapani on way out. Moderate light and heavy flak in target area. Approx. 25 S/L's distributed in dock area. Flak ships in harbour. Successful trip.	A-602
"	H.E. 468 "Z"	P/O. Delisle, J.C.H. P/O. Mackay, A.T. P/O. Halladay, M.M. P/O. DeBeer, J.C. P/O. Doucet, P.G.	"	2151	0310	Bomb load:- 1 x 4,000 dropped from 10,000 feet. Visually identified and pinpoint on coast. Bombs dropped in dock area and seen to burst. Fires seen to burn on leaving target. Scattered, heavy & light flak with approx 7 S/L's, S.W. of town. A successful trip.	A-603
Night 15-16/7/43	Wellington X. H.E. 330 "C"	P/O. Anderson, G.A. P/O. Young, J.W. Sgt. Roberts, J. P/O. Champagne, J.J. Sgt. Gray, J.H. Sgt. Whitmore, E.	Bombing. Reggio.	2030	0214	Bomb load 9 x 500 dropped at 8500 feet. Identified target visually and own bombs seen bursting near ammunition sheds, just S. of Ferry slip. Fair amount of flak and approx. 40 S/L's observed over target. Enemy aircraft identified as Ju 88s over target. Successful trip.	A-604
"	L.N. 436 "B"	Sgt. Hawkins, R.C. Sgt. Bunting, R. P/O. Stafford, B. Sgt. Moreau, G.B. Sgt. Platana, D.D.	"	2018	0222	Bomb load:- 1 x 4,000 dropped from 7,000 feet. Target was identified visually and own bombs seen to burst on S. end of ferry slip. Moderate heavy & light flak with approx. 12 S/L's experienced over target. A very successful trip.	A-605

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Night. 15-16/7/43	Wellington X. H.Z. 458 "W"	W/O. McKeekin, R.D. S/O. Charlesworth, J. P/O. Black, E.H. P/O. Jones, F.M. Sgt. Meeks, S.A.	Bombing, San-Giovanni.	2017	0207	Bomb load:- 1 x 4,000 lb bomb dropped from 8,500 feet. Target visually identified and bomb dropped in built-up area near Railway station. Other bombs seen to burst. Fires were visible 50 miles from target area. Defences were negligible. A successful trip.	A-606
"	H.E. 976 "H"	P/S. Jackson, A.H. P/O. Bell, D.A. P/S. Ross, J. P/O. Atkinson, F.G. P/S. Tremblay, J.E.	"	2024	0215	Bomb load:- 8 x 500, 1 x 250 dropped from 8,000 feet. Target visually identified and bombs dropped on Railway lines and station. Own bombs seem to burst. Aircraft was hit by heavy flak burst and tail fin severely damaged. A/C landed safely, none of the crew injured.	A-607
"	H.E. 267 "I"	P/S. Bendall, W.R. Sgt. Fenlon, F.E. Sgt. Ohly, V.G. Sgt. Mann, A. Sgt. Collett, J.G.	"	2025	0152	Bomb load:- 9 x 500 dropped from 8,000 feet. Decks were clearly seen and own bombs seem to burst across slips. A fair amount of light & heavy flak over target. S/L's were negligible. Many fires seen burning along shore at Messina. Should be a very good effort.	A-608
"	H.E. 931 "L"	P/O. Spooner, C.L. P/O. Leigh, G.L. P/S. MacKay, R.S. P/S. Lalrassay, F.M. Sgt. Blacker, S.G.	"	2023	0133	Bomb load:- 9 x 500 dropped from 8,000 feet. Decks clearly seen and bombs seem to burst across R.R. tracks near slips. A number of fires seen in Messina - little heavy and light flak over target. I.P.P. used successfully on S/L's. A very good trip.	A-609
"	H.E. 273 "K"	P/O. Michaud, J.P. P/O. Lymburner, J.L. P/O. Lago, J.E. P/O. Woodrow, H. P/O. Doust, J.E.	"	2018	0122	Bomb load:- 9 x 500 dropped from 8,000 feet. Own bombs seem to burst S. to N. along ferry section. One bomb hung up and jettisoned safe in sea. Defences negligible. A successful trip.	A-610
"	H.E. 329 "O"	P/O. Marcotte, J.H. D/O P/O. Spackman, W.E. P/O. Hobson, J.W. P/O. Young, J.J. P/S. McGilivray, R.L. (Sgt. Pope, G.H.)	Bombing, Reggio.	2021	0231	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 7,000 feet. Target identified visually and own bombs seem to burst just near ferry slips. Several other own bomb bursts also observed. Little flak over target. A fair amount appeared to be coming from aerodrome. A very good trip.	A-611
"	H.E. 260 "P"	Sgt. Hadley, W. Sgt. Kidd, H.W. Sgt. Radcliffe, A.H. Sgt. Deedman, F.W. Sgt. Hennessy, P.E.	Bombing, San-Giovanni.	2022	0228	Bomb load:- 9 x 500 dropped from 8,000 ft. Target visually identified by aid of moon and flares. Own bombs seem to burst on sidings and railway station. Other bomb bursts also observed. A fair amount of flak experienced. Many fires observed on coast at Messina. A successful trip.	A-612
"	H.E. 261 "R"	P/L. Blakeney, C.M. P/O. Tashersall, G. P/O. Mailleur, J.A.P. P/O. Hutton, G.S. P/S. Coyette, J.P. (Sgt. Bell, H.T.)	Reggio.	2020	0150	Bomb load:- 9 x 500 dropped from 8,000 feet. Target identified and bombs dropped on ferry slips. Result not observed. Moderate light & accurate flak over target. Convoy sighted 5-6 miles S.W. of target. A good trip.	A-613
"	H.E. 521 "Y"	P/O. Deussenau, J.H.M. Sgt. Morony, J.H. P/S. Roman, F.H. P/O. Hodgetts, D.E.J. Sgt. Marceau, R.B.	San-Giovanni.	2013	0116	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 7500 feet. Target easily identified and own bombs seem to burst just N. of ferry slip. Defences were negligible. Very good trip.	A-614

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Night. 15-16/7/43	Wellington L.N. 440 "W"	Sgt. Parnell, O.E. Sgt. Soper, D.J.G. Sgt. Buckley, W.H. Sgt. Sanday, R.D. Sgt. Fair, R.B.	Bombing. San-Giovanni.	2007	0220	Bomb load: 1 x 4,000 dropped from 7,000 feet. Target identified visually and bombs dropped on Ry sidings. Big explosion seen in target area when aircraft 30 miles away. Defences negligible. A successful trip.	A-615
"	H.E. 978 "X"	W/O St. Pierre, J.H.W. P/Lt. Bell, J.W. P/Lt. Wainwright, J.A. Sgt. Mockridge, J.H. Sgt. Campbell, J.S.	"	2022	0118	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped at 6,200 feet. Target identified visually. Bombs dropped on edge of railway sidings. Other sticks also seen to burst. Defences were negligible. Two large vessels and four small ones in line astern seen heading for Palermo. A very successful trip.	A-616
"	H.E. 979 "Y"	Sgt. Montpetit, J.F. E/O McPhee, L.W. Sgt. Tournant, R.J. Sgt. Turcato, W.E. Sgt. Desjardins, P. W/O Richer, R.D.	"	2015	0234	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 8,000 feet. Target identified visually and own bombs seen to burst just S. of ferry slips across R.R. Defences were negligible. Many fires observed at Messina. Effort should be very good.	A-617
"	H.E. 551 "T"	E/O Stanford, A.R. E/O Belanger, F.P. E/O Cairns, J.G. E/O Hamblin, W.D.M.	"	2025	0218	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 7,000 ft. Target visually identified and own bombs seen to burst between ferry terminus and railway sidings. Dummy fire seen at Messina. Defences negligible. A very good trip.	A-618
Night. 17-18/7/43	H.E. 930 "A"	F/S. Hastie, E.H. Sgt. Elhorn, E.B. Sgt. Fullerton, J.D. Sgt. Deatlie, B.H. Sgt. Mitchell, J.W.	Bombing. Monte-Corvino.	2111	0300	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 7500 ft. Target visually identified. Own bombs believed to have burst on railway. A number of fires seen in target area. Defences were negligible. A good trip.	A-619
"	H.E. 330 "W"	F/O Anderson, G.A. F/O Young, J.W. Sgt. Roberts, J. F/Lt. Wilson, D.C. Sgt. Gray, B.B.	"	2122	0308	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 7,000 feet. Identification of target was difficult due to ground haze and smoke. Target identified by fires. Fires extended by own bomb bursts. Defences were negligible. Trip believed to be successful.	A-620
"	L.N. 436 "D"	Sgt. Hawkins, R.C. Sgt. Hunting, R. E/O Stafford, T. Sgt. Morneau, G.S. Sgt. Platana, D.D.	"	2109	0300	Bomb load: 1 x 4,000, dropped from 7,000 ft. Identification was difficult due to ground haze. Sticks dropped in vicinity of drone. Bomb bursts seen N.E. corner of drone. Defences were negligible. A successful trip.	A-621.
"	H.E. 468 "P"	F/O McMeekin, R.E. E/O Charlesworth, J. E/O Black, E.H. E/O Jones, F.M. Sgt. Neels, S.A.	"	2119	0248	Bomb load: 1 x 4,000 dropped from 8,000 ft. Bomb seen to drop in target area with a large explosion. Fires observed from own bomb and many other fires seen. Weather was clear and defences amounted to one gun. Successful trip.	A-622.
"	H.E. 267 "I"	F/S. Bendall, N.R. Sgt. Benton, F.B. Sgt. Oddy, V.G. Sgt. Mann, A. Sgt. Collett, J.G.	"	2120	0253	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 8,000 ft. Target visually identified. Bombs burst right angle to railway. Fires from own bombs and other fires seen. Light haze on coast on way in. Defences negligible. Unidentified aircraft seen. A good trip.	A-623

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Night. 17/18-7-43	Wellington I. H.E. 270 "K"	S/Lt. Hebert, J.C. P/O. Elliott, R.E. Sgt. Jenkins, A. P/O. P/O. Strong, R.J. Sgt. Hyde, P. Sgt. Isard , P.C.)	Bombing - Monte Corvino.	2112	0227	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 8,000 ft. Target identified visually. Bombs fell in railway area. Other bombs seen to burst in West end of target area. Yellow flash observed on ground. XXXXX Fires in target seen from coast on return. Vis. good over target. No defences observed. A good show.	A-624
"	H.E. 931 "I"	P/O. Spooner, G.L. P/O. Leigh, J.E. P/S. Macay, R.S. P/O. Isard , P.C. Sgt. Blackert, S.G. (Sgt. Whitmore, E.)	"	2110	0235	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 8,000 ft. Target identified visually. Bombs burst parallel to railway and some in admin. buildings. Aircraft in flames observed over target. Vis. good and defences amounted to one gun. A successful trip.	A-625
"	H.E. 329 "O"	P/O. Stutt, R.A. P/O. Dube, J.R. P/O. Manning, H.R. P/O. Hodgson, S.C. P/O. Pettit, W.B. (Sgt. Hadley, N.)	"	2104	0238	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 6,000 ft. Target seen visually. XXXXX First bombs fell in built up area and on railway vicinity. Weather good and two guns observed. A successful trip.	A-626
"	H.E. 260 "P"	P/O. DeSolla, H. Sgt. Cavanagh, J.C. Sgt. Gallant, R.E. P/O. Hill, G.S. Sgt. Liddell, J. (Sgt. Bell, H.T.)	"	2100	2235	Bomb load: 18 x 250 XXXXX Aircraft returned early due to Constant Speed unit in Starboard motor going U/S. Petrol jettisoned S.E. of aerodrome and aircraft landed with full bomb load.	A-627
"	H.E. 261 "B"	P/Lt. Elskner, G.M. P/O. Taschereau, G. Sgt. Isard , P.C. P/O. Burton, G.S. P/S. Coyette, J.P.	"	2115	0232	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 7,000 ft. Target visually identified. Bombs seen to burst at right angle to railway. Smoke and fires seen all over target area. Weather clear. No defences reported. Trip thought to be successful.	A-628
"	H.E. 521 "W"	Sgt. Brousseau, J.H. Sgt. Moreau, J.H. P/S. Romah, E.H. P/O. Hodgetts, R.B.J. Sgt. Harreau, H.B.	"	2113	0225	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped first stick at 7500 ft. and second stick at 6,000 ft. First bombs straddled admin. buildings and second along dispersals. Other bursts observed including one 4,000 pound bomb. Some cloud at coast but target clear. One heavy flak gun seen. A good trip.	A-629
"	H.E. 978 "X"	P/O. Turenne, D.J. P/O. Williamson, H.F. P/O. Meilleur, J.A.F. P/O. Stillings, J.E. Sgt. Campsall, R.S.	"	2122	0223	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 6,000 ft. Target visually identified and bombs dropped at right angle to railway. Many other bomb bursts seen. Weather clear. No defences observed. Should be a good trip.	A-630
"	H.E. 979 "Y"	Sgt. Montpetit, J.F. P/O. McPhee, L.W. Sgt. Isard , P.C. Sgt. Turcotte, P. Sgt. Desjardins, P.	"	2106	2150	Bomb load: 18 x 250. Bomba jettisoned in Salt Lake, due to starboard motor going U/S.	A-631
Night. 19/20-7-43	H.E. 930 "A"	P/O. Michaud, J.F. P/O. Lomburner, J.L. P/O. Lago, J.A. P/O. Woodrow, J.H. P/O. Isard , P.C.)	Bombing - Capodichino.	2040	0240	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 8,000 ft. Target identified visually in light of flares. Bombs seen to burst in built up area including cam bomb bursts. Light & heavy flak over target, and cones of S/Lt's (20/90) seen. Aircraft seen in searchlights but soon evaded. A successful mission.	A-632

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Night 19-20/7/43	H.E. 522 "B"	S/L. Hebert, J.C. P/O. Elliott, D.J. Sgt. Jenkinson, A. P/O. Strong, R.H. Sgt. Hyde, F.	Bombing. Capodichino.	2050	0220	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 8,000 ft. Target identified by road and built up area which was believed to be aerodrome buildings. Seen own and other bombs burst. Defences light but some heavy flak seen in W. of target. A successful trip.	A-633
"	H.E. 330 "C"	P/O. Anderson, G.A. P/O. Young, J.W. Sgt. Roberts, J. P/S. Chamagne, J.J. Sgt. Gray, E.B.	"	2040	0220	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 8,000 ft. Target identified by road and built up area. Some light flak to S.W. of target and S/W of 15-20 in a cone. Single engine A/C seen believed to be enemy A/C. A successful trip.	A-634
"	H.E. 900 "B"	Sgt. Hawkins, R.C. Sgt. Rutling, R. P/O. Stafford, T. Sgt. Morneau, G.S. Sgt. Platana, D.D.	"	2140	0300	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 7,000 ft. Error made on identification on coast too late to proceed to correct target so bombed Agynco. Target was burning fiercely and large explosion seen after dropping bomb. Weather conditions hazy and defences light.	A-635
"	H.Z. 468 "F"	P/O. McKeelin, R.F. P/O. Charlsworth, J.A. P/O. Black, E.M. P/O. Jones, F.M. Sgt. Meeks, E.A.	"	2030	0250	Bomb load: - 1 x 4,000 lb. bomb, dropped from 8,000 ft. Bomb burst not seen. Defences heavier than previous time. Light flak seen from centre of town. Large cones of S/L's. Vis. good but slight haze. A good trip.	A-636
"	H.E. 976	P/S. Jackson, A.H. P/O. Bell, D.A. P/S. Ross, J. P/O. Atkinson, F.G. P/S. Tremblay, J.E.	"	2050	2350	This aircraft returned early due to aircraft going U/S.	A-637
"	H.E. 267 "I"	P/S. Hastie, E.H. Sgt. Elton, H.E. Sgt. Fullerton, J.D. Sgt. Beattie, D.H. Sgt. Mitchell, J.W.	"	2025	0305	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 8,000 ft. Did not bomb target. Bombed aerodrome N.E. of Capodichino from 8500 ft. Bombs seen to burst and fires observed on ground. Defences negligible. Vis. fairly good. Reason for not bombing primary as pilot figured he would be short of petrol.	A-638
"	H.E. 270 "K"	Sgt. Whitmore, E. Sgt. Kirby, D. Sgt. Dore, J. P/O. Lord, H.W. Sgt. Clark, W.	"	2040	0305	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 8,000 ft. Bombs seen to burst in target area but own results not observed. Moderate light and heavy flak with some S/L's. Vis. hazy. A successful trip. Five red fires observed close together.	A-639
"	H.E. 931 "L"	P/O. Spooner, C.L. P/O. Leigh, E.B. P/S. Buckley, E.S. P/S. Ledressey, P.M. Sgt. Blackert, S.C.	"	2140	0320	Bomb load: 18 x 250 bombed at 9,000 ft. identified built up area and what appeared to be aerodrome. Some light flak from N. of town. No cloud but haze. Concentration of effort poor.	A-640
"	H.E. 329 "O"	P/O. Marcotte, J.H. *EPC. P/O. Spachman, E.H. P/O. Hobson, J.E. P/O. Young, H.J. P/S. McMillivray, R.L.	"	2020	0220	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 9200 feet. Target identified by road leading N.E. Defences negligible and aircraft not considered very successful.	A-641

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				UP	DOWN		
Night. 19-20/7/43	Wellington X. H.E. 260 "P"	P/O. DeSolla, H. Sgt. Cavanagh, J.C. Sgt. Callant, G.F. P/O. Hill, G.A. Sgt. Liddell, J.	Bombing Capodichino.	2025	0255	Bomb load: 18 x 250 bombed at 8100 ft. but bombed Aguirre. Error made in identifying coast. Aerodrome observed & bombed. Fires observed on ground. Defences light & weather conditions hazy.	A-642.
"	H.E. 261 "R"	Sgt. Parnell, C.E. Sgt. Soper, D.J.G. Sgt. Buckley, W.H. Sgt. Sauder, W.D. Sgt. Fair, R.B.	"	2045	2330	Returned early due to aircraft going U/S.	A-643.
"	H.E. 516 "S"	P/O. Richer, B.D. P/O. Stanford, A.R. P/O. Kelinger, F.P. P/O. Cairns, J.C. P/O. Hamlin, W.D.M.	"	2020	0240	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 8,000 ft. Seen two bomb burst in target area but own results not observed. Light flak bursting from 8 to 10,000 ft. and appear being holed up into the cone of S/L's. Searchlights from E. and W. of town. Approx. 50-75 altogether. Weather good and successful trip.	A-644.
"	H.E. 551 "W"	Sgt. Pope, G.H. Sgt. Graves, H. Sgt. Stanford, A.R. Sgt. Moorbridge, A.H. Sgt. Webb, H.	"	2040	0240	Bomb load 18 x 250 dropped from 7,000 ft. Target identified visually by aid of flares over built up area. Own bomb bursts observed and some others. Light & heavy flak with cones of S/L's over town. Slightly hazy. Successful trip.	A-645.
"	H.E. 521 "V"	Sgt. Brousseau, J.H. Sgt. Moreau, J.H. P/O. Rowan, F.H. P/O. Hodgetts, W.B.J. Sgt. Marceau, H.B.	"	2020	0300	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 8,000 ft. Identified visually what appeared to be aerodrome. Some inaccurate heavy flak. Cone of about 30 S/L's observed. Searchlight seemed to work with fighters but no fighters observed. Conditions hazy.	A-646.
"	L.N. 140 "W"	P/O. Bendall, N.R. Sgt. Fenton, P.B. Sgt. Ohly, V.G. Sgt. Rams, A. Sgt. Collett, J.C.	"	2025	0255	Bomb load: 1 x 4,000 dropped from 8,000 ft. Some bursts observed in target area but own bombs not seen due to S/L's. Intense light flak with some heavy. N. of target area. 50-75 S/L's. Vis. fair and thought to be a successful mission. Large red glow seen in direction of Tripoli.	A-647.
"	H.E. 978 "X"	P/O. Turcotte, D.L. P/O. Williams, H.F. P/O. Mellieur, J.H.F. P/O. Stillings, J.E. Sgt. Campsall, R.S.	"	2045	0234	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 4,000 ft. Results not observed due to evasive action when attacked by single engine fighter. Light & heavy flak from western part of town with many S/L's. Was attacked by single engine fighter as A/C was about to release bombs. Evaded by making diving turn to port. Bomb bursts exchanged but no hits observed on enemy aircraft. Rough trip. A/C returned safely to base.	A-648.
Night. 20-21/7/43	H.E. 261 "R"	P/O. Hakenev, C.M. P/O. Tschereau, J.L. Sgt. Phinney, G.G. P/O. Hutton, G.S. P/O. Coyette, W.P.	Bombing. Naples.	2303	0510	Bomb load: 18 x 2 flares dropped in 2 sticks very close together just to W. of Railway Station. Flares from other A/C observed half mile from own. Defences fair. S/L's around St. Vivaldo and some scattered inaccurate heavy flak from back area. Ground base, but no cloud.	A-649.
Night. 21-22/7/43	H.E. 930 "A"	P/O. Michaud, J.P. P/O. Lymburner, J.L. P/O. Lago, J.E. P/O. Woodrow, J.H. P/O. Doucet, J.M.	Bombing. Capodichino.	2335	0605	Bomb load: 2 x 500 and 14 x 250 dropped from 7500 ft. Cloud on approach made identification impossible. Bomb seen to burst in target area. Many S/L's W. of town and some inaccurate heavy flak. 6-10th cloud crossing coast and 10/10ths over target area. Nickels dropped. A good trip.	A-650

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				UP	DOWN		
Night 21-22/7/45	Wellington X. H.E. 522 "B"	W/C. St. Pierre, J. M. W. P/L. Bell, J. W. P/L. Wainwright, J. A. P/O. Maple, G. G. Sgt. Hyde, P.	Bombing Capodichino.	2345	0550	Bomb load: 2 x 500, and 14 x 250 dropped at 9,000 ft. on D.R. run from coast @ 10/10ths cloud. Aerodrome then seen 2 miles N.W. through gap in clouds. Some light flak and S/L's working in box formation. Large ship stationed off Ustica seen. Nickels dropped.	A-651
"	H.E. 330 "C"	P/O. Anderson, G. A. P/O. Young, J. W. Sgt. Roberts, J. P/Sr. Champagne, J. F. Sgt. Bray, B. B.	"	0004	0246	Aircraft returned early due to ciled up engines. Idling too long. Bomba jettisoned. Starboard cylinder head temperature over 300.	A-652
"	(Sgt. Izard 2nd Pilot) H.E. 976 "H"	P/S. Jackson, A. H. P/O. Bell, D. A. P/O. Ross, J. P/O. Atkinson, P. G. P/S. Tremblay, J. E. P/O. Marotte, W. H. (2nd Pilot)	"	2330	0600	Bomb load: 2 x 500, 14 x 250 dropped at 9,000 ft. in vicinity of Capodichino. Unable to identify aerodrome due to 5/10 to 10/10ths clouds. S/L's concentrated to W. of town but very little flak. Nickels dropped.	A-653
"	H.E. 329 "O"	(Sgt. Durr, W. H. 2nd Pilot) P/O. Speckman, W. R. P/O. Hobson, J. W. P/O. Young, W. S. P/S. McCallivray, R. A.	"	2355	0540	Bomb load: 2 x 500, 14 x 250 dropped from 9,000 ft. Bombed back area as being unable to find aerodrome. Results not observed due to cloud. Moderate light & heavy flak. One single engine enemy aircraft seen in Naples area. Very poor show.	A-654
"	H.E. 516 "S"	(Sgt. Smalley, D. W. 2nd Pilot) P/O. Richter, B. D. P/O. Stanford, A. B. P/O. Belanger, F. P. P/O. Cairns, J. G. P/O. Hamblin, W. D. M. P/O. Elliott, H. (2nd pilot)	"	2330	0635	Bomb load: 2 x 500, 14 x 250 dropped from 12,000 ft. Dropped an estimated position of aerodrome as docks were seen through large excitation seen in estimated position of aerodrome just before bombing. Some light flak bursting 8-9,000 ft. and S/L's active. Nickels dropped.	A-655
"	H.E. 521 "V"	Sgt. Brousseau, J. H. Sgt. Morneau, J. H. P/S. Roman, F. H. P/O. Hodgetts, D. B. J. Sgt. Marceau, H. B.	"	2315	0520	Bomb load: 18 x 2 flares. dropped from 10,500 ft. Target identified visually. Own flares believed to have fallen N.W. of aerodrome. Heavy flak from Naples and S/L's not very active, but one A/C observed come by 3 S/L's with flak being shot up in centre of cone. Target difficult to find.	A-656
"	H.E. 978 "X"	Sgt. Pope, G. H. Sgt. Grvava, H. Sgt. Stafford, S. E. J. Sgt. Mookridge, A. H. M. Sgt. Jebb, T. P/S. Bussell, F. F. P/O. McCallister, R. X.	"	2345	0620	Bomb load: 2 x 500, 14 x 250 dropped from 9,000 ft. Target identified when flares dropped over gap in cloud. revealing aiming point. Bombs seen to burst at Southern point of aerodrome. Scattered S/L's and flak inaccurate due to cloud @ 10th to 10/10ths. Nickels dropped as ordered.	A-657
Night 22-23/7/45	Wellington H.E. 551 "M"	Sgt. Radcliffe, A. D. H. Sgt. Mann, A. Sgt. Collett, J. G.	Bombing Salerno.	2005	0205	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 7,000 ft. Target identified visually by aid of flares and bursts seen in target area. Vis. good and defences negligible. Fire observed at Palermo en route. Nickels dropped. An excellent trip.	A-658
"	H.E. 900 "E"	P/L. Delisle, J. C. H. P/O. Riach, A. T. P/O. Halladay, L. M. P/O. Dehaer, P. C. P/S. Doucet, P. G. (Sgt. Izard, P. C. 2nd Pilot)	"	2005	0200	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 7500 ft. Target identified rapidly in light of flares. Bombs seen to drop across marshalling yards and cement works. Vis. very good. No flak of S/L's. One large fire seen and in marshalling yards. Considered a very successful mission.	A-659

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Night. 22-23/7/43	Wellington I. H.E. 468 "P"	Sgt. Hawkins, R.C. Sgt. Bunting, R. P/O. Stafford, T. Sgt. Moreau, G.S. Sgt. Platana, D.D. P/Lt. Henkingsop, S.W.	Bombing. Salerno.	2010	0215	Bomb load: 1 x 4,000 lb. bomb dropped from 7,000 ft. Target identified by flares. Saw bombs burst on marshalling yards. Nickles dropped after bombing. One large red glow observed in marshalling yards. Defences negligible. Vis. perfect. A successful mission.	A-660
"	H.E. 976 "H"	Sgt. Smalley, D.W. Sgt. Garvey, F.C. Sgt. Montgomery, J.D. P/O. Lehman, W.H. Sgt. Marks, W.W.	"	2010	0210	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 8,000 ft. Target identified by aid of flares. Bombs seen to burst across centre of town just W. of sidings. Vis. good and nickles dropped as ordered. A good trip.	A-661
"	H.E. 270 "K"	Sgt. Whitmore. Sgt. Kirby, D. Sgt. Dore, J. P/O. Lord, E.W. Sgt. Clark, W.	"	2015	0210	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 7,000 ft. Aimed point visually with no difficulty. Bursts seen in target area. Flares good and fire of reddish colour seen N.E. of aiming point. Nickles dropped. No defences.	A-662
"	H.E. 931 "L"	P/O. Spooner, G.L. P/O. Leigh, A.E. P/S. MacKay, R.S. P/S. LeDressay, F.M. Sgt. Storey, (Sgt. Callaghan, D.H.)	"	2015	0115	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 8,000 ft. Target located visually. Flares good and a 4,000 lb. bomb seen to burst short of marshalling yard. Flares forces excellent and vis. good. Fire seen at Trapani and Palermo en route. A successful trip.	A-663
"	H.E. 329 "O"	Sgt. Pope, G.H. Sgt. Graves, H. Sgt. Stafford, S.E.J. Sgt. Mochridge, A.H.M. Sgt. Jobb, R.	"	2005	0220	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 7,000 ft. Target identified visually with no difficulty. Bombs seen to burst. Vis. good. Defences nil. Nickles not dropped.	A-664
"	H.E. 260 "P"	P/O. DeSolla, H. Sgt. Cavanagh, J.C. Sgt. Gallant, G.F. P/O. Hill, G.A. Sgt. Liddell, J.	"	2005	0200	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 7300 ft. Bombs seen to burst between cement works and marshalling yards. Fire of orange glow seen as aircraft left target area. Visibility excellent. Defences were negligible. One single engine aircraft was seen in target area after bombing. A good trip.	A-665

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Night. 22-23/7/43	Wellington I. H.E. 516 "S"	P/Lt. Blakeney, G.M. P/O. Taschereau, J.L.G. Sgt. Phinney, G.G. P/O. Hutton, G.S. P/S. Coyette, J.F.	Bombing. Salerno.	2010	0150	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 7,000 ft. Target identified visually with help of flares. Own bomb bursts not observed. Flare force accurate. Other bombs seen to burst in between marshalling yards and town. Two small fires seen in target area. Defences were nil.	A-666
"	L.N. 440 "W"	Sgt. Farrell, G.F. Sgt. Soper, D.J.G. Sgt. Buckley, H.H. P/O. Midway. Sgt. Fair, R.B.	"	2015	0155	Bomb load: 1 x 4,000, dropped from 7,000 ft. Marshalling yards seen visually by light of well placed flares, and bomb seen to burst N.E. of main sidings. Vis. good. Nickles dropped. Defences nil.	A-667
"	H.E. 976 "X"	P/O. Turcotte, D.J. P/O. Williamson, H.F. P/O. McAllister, J.A.F. P/O. Stillings, J.E. Sgt. Campsall, R.S.	"	2015	0140	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 7,500 ft. Target identified visually. Small bomb bursts across railway yards. Excellent trip and one large fire saw in target area as we left. Weather good over target. Defences were nil.	A-668
"	H.E. 521 "Y"	P/O. McMeekin, R.E. P/O. Charlesworth, J. P/O. MacKie, E.M. P/O. Jones, P.M. Sgt. Meeks, S.A.	"	2005	0155	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 8,000 ft. Vis. good and target seen visually. Many bombs seen to burst in target area. 16 ships and 3 escort vessels about 2 miles N.E. of Cap Bon. 1 ship seen on fire just outside of Trapani harbour. A good trip.	A-669
Night. 26/27-7-43	Wellington I. H.E. 930 "A"	P/O. Michaud, J.P. P/O. Lymburner, J.L. P/O. Lago, J.E. P/O. Woodrow, J.H. P/O. Daoust, J.M. (Sgt. Isard, P.C.)	Bombing. Monte-Cervino.	2000	0230	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 6,000 ft. Target identified by light of flares. Vis. excellent. Very quiet trip.	A-670
"	H.E. 522 "B"	P/S. Hebert, J.C. P/O. Elliott, B.J. Sgt. Jenkinson, A. P/O. Strong, R.J. Sgt. Hyde, E. (Sgt. Headland, A.J.)	"	2000	0235	Bomb load: 18 x 2 flares dropped from 6,000 ft. Target identified visually and 2 sticks of bombs observed to drop in target area as A/C leaving. Defences nil. Vis. good. Not considered too successful as our stick of flares first stick of 9 flares was off target. VERY	A-671
"	H.E. 976 "H"	P/S. Jackson, A.H. P/O. Bell, D.A. P/S. Ross, J. P/O. Atkinson, F.G. P/S. Tremblay, J.E. (Sgt. Callaghan, D.H.)	"	2000	0205	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 6,000 ft. Bombed railway line just E. of landing ground. Slight haze with no defences. Gun flashes seen on sea.	A-672
"	H.E. 900 "B"	Sgt. Duerr, W.F. Sgt. Smelaky, C.M. Sgt. Guymer, J.A. Sgt. Kelly, F.M. Sgt. Story, H.R.	"	2010	0300	Bomb load: 9 x 500, dropped from 6,000 ft. Buildings seen believed to be hangars and bombs burst S. of aerodrome. Defences nil. Weather hazy. Two other sticks seen to have been dropped in vicinity of own bombs.	A-673


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Night.	Wellington X. 26-27/7/43 H.E. 267 "I"	F/O. McMeekin, R.E. F/O. Charlsworth, F/O. Black, E.H. F/O. Jones, F.H. Sgt. Meeks, S.A.	Bombing. Monte Corvino.	2005	0235	Bomb load: 9 x 500 dropped from 6,000 ft. Bombed by aid of flares and bombs seen to burst in S.W. corner of aerodrome. Vis. hazy and no defences. Many bombs seen to burst in area before and after bombing. A successful trip.	A-674
"	H.E. 270 "K"	F/S. Hastie, E.H. Sgt. Elhorn, S.B. Sgt. Fullerton, J.D. Sgt. Beattie, D.S. Sgt. Mitchell, J.W.	"	2000	0235	Bomb load 18 x 250 dropped from 6,000 ft. Aerodrome and built up area seen visually by light of flares. <u>Own bombs and other bombs seen to drop in area of buildings.</u> Some activity observed at Naples. No defences. Excellent trip.	A-675
"	H.E. 931 "L"	F/O. Spooner, C.L. F/O. Leigh, J.E. F/S. Mackay, R.S. F/S. Ledrassy, F.H. Sgt. Blackert, S.G. (F/Lt. Henkinop, S.W.)	"	2005	000	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 7,000 ft. Aerodrome identified by aid of individual flares from other aircraft. Bomb bursts seen to overshoot just N. of landing area. Two 4,000 lb. bombs and 1 stick seen in target area. Also some scattered bombs. Conditions hazy. Defences were nil.	A-676
"	H.E. 329 "O"	Sgt. Pope, G.M. Sgt. Graves, H. Sgt. Stafford, S.E.J. Sgt. Mockridge, A.H.M. Sgt. Jebb, T.	"	2000	0200	Bomb load: 8 x 500 dropped from 5500 ft. Aerodrome seen clearly in light of flares. <u>Own stick seen to burst across aerodrome.</u> Other bombs seen in vicinity of aerodrome and the 4,000 pounder in built up area. A good trip. No defences observed.	A-677
"	H.E. 261 "R"	F/Lt. Hakney, C.H. F/O. Taschereau, J.L.G. Sgt. Finney, C.G. F/O. Hutton, S.B. F/S. Coyette, J.P. (F/O. Hill, H.)	"	2010	0250	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 5500 ft. Aerodrome identified in light of flares. <u>Bombs seen to burst across railway lines and into Northern dispersals.</u> Some flares seen to drop 25 miles S. of target area. Hazy. No defences encountered.	A-678
"	H.E. 551 "T"	F/O. DeSolla, H. Sgt. Cavanagh, J.C. Sgt. Gillen, G.F. F/O. Hill, G.A. Sgt. Liddell, J. (Sgt. Wood, D.A.)	"	2010	0310	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 6,000 ft. Target identified visually and <u>own bombs seen to burst in built up area.</u> One burst seen across runways. Considerable shipping seen between Isle of Capri and Italy. No cloud. Defences were nil.	A-679

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Night.	Wellington X. 26-27/7/43 H.E. 521 "V"	Sgt. Farnell, G.E. Sgt. Soper, D.J.C. Sgt. Buckley, W.H. Sgt. Sauder, W.D. Sgt. Fair, R.B.	Bombing Monte Corvino.	1950	0220	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped 7,000 ft. Pin-pointed on railway target identified by light of flares. Bombs seen at aerodrome buildings behind hangars. Vis. hazy and no defences.	A-680
"	H.E. 978 "X"	Sgt. Montpetit, J.F. F/O. McPhee, L.H. Sgt. Toussaint, R. Sgt. Turcotte, J.F. Sgt. Desjardins, P. (Sgt. Gauthier, G.M.)	"	2000	0205	Bomb load: 18 x 250 dropped from 6,000 ft. Visually identified target by light of flares. Bombs believed to have burst near aerodrome buildings. Some fires seen in buildings N.E. of landing ground. Vis. fairly good and some light flak seen in Salerno area area. Ship seen on fire.	A-681
"	Accessed by H.E. 468 "Y"	Sgt. Whitmore, E. Sgt. Kirby, D. Sgt. Dene, J. F/O. Lord, S.W. Sgt. Clark, W.	"	2015	0240	Bomb load: 1 x 4,000, dropped from Attacked at 7,000 ft. and target identified visually. Bomb failed to release. Attempted to jettison unsuccessfully but managed to jettison about 20 miles off Cap Bon on return. Vis. was good and defences nil. Some activity at Naples.	A-682
Night.	Wellington X. 28-29/7/43 H.E. 930 "A"	F/O. Michaud, J.P. F/O. Lymburner, J.L. F/O. Lago, J.E. F/O. Woodrow, J.H. F/O. Daoust, J.M. (Sgt. Callaghan, D.H.)	Bombing. Capodichino.	0015	0625	Bomb load: 7 x 500, 16 x 40 S.B.C.'s. dropped from 8500 ft. Bombs seen bursting through cloud but own bombs not observed. Very little flak encountered but searchlights numerous. Vis. poor 8/10th clouds. Not very successful.	A-683
"	H.E. 522 "B"	W/C. St. Pierre, J.H.W. F/O. Williamson, H.F. F/Lt. Wainwright, L.A. F/O. Stillings, P.E. Sgt. Campbell, R.S. (Sgt. Isard, P.C.)	"	0015	0640	Bomb load: 7 x 500, 16 x 40 I.B.'s. dropped from 9400 ft. Target could not be identified visually so made D.R. run from Mount Visuvius. Bombs believed to have fallen in target area. Flares were of no help. Some heavy accurate flak bursting 8-10,000 ft. mostly from Naples. Many S/L's operating in cones of 20. Cloud and vis. poor. Bombing scattered.	A-684
"	H.E. 330 "C"	F/S. Bendall, M.R. Sgt. Fenton, S.B. Sgt. Galy, V.G. Sgt. Mann, A. Sgt. Collett, J.C.	"	0015	0640	Bomb load: 7 x 500, 16 x 40 S.B.C.'s. dropped from 9,000 ft. Bombs Bombs not seen to burst and doubtful if on target. Flares were dropped N. of target area. Some heavy flak co-operating with S/L's but inaccurate. Concentration of S/L's from Naples area. Not successful, due to bad vis. and inaccurate illumination of target.	A-685
"	H.E. 900 "E"	F/Lt. Blenkinsop, E.W. F/O. Howlett, T.J. Sgt. Renvoise, D.E. F/O. Mahoe, J.G. Sgt. Nash, J.A.	"	0015	0650	Bomb load: 7 x 500, 16 x 40 I.B.'s & packs of leaflets. dropped from 8,000 ft. Could not identify visually but buildings believed to be hanger seen in light of own flares. Result of bombing not observed. Flare force force dropped N. of target. 5-8 S/L's operating in cones. Some heavy accurate flak and 40-50 S/L's operating in cones.	A-686

Night.	Wellington I.	Sgt. Smalley, D.W.	Bombing.	0020	0645	Bomb load: 7 x 500, 16 x 40 I.B., and 6 packs of leaflets dropped from 8500 ft. Could not find Capodichino so bombed docks at Naples. Bomb bursts in marshalling yard. 6/10ths cloud and vis. poor. Some heavy flak in dock area and large concentration of S/L's seen.	A-687
28-29/7/43	H.E. 976 "H"	Sgt. Garvey, T.G. Sgt. Montgomerie, J.D. P/O. Lehman, W.H. Sgt. Marks, W.W.	Capodichino				
"	H.E. 329 "O"	Sgt. Parnell, C.E. Sgt. Soper, D.J.G. Sgt. Buckley, W.H. Sgt. Sanders, B.D. Sgt. Fair, R.B.	"	0005	0635	Bomb load: 7 x 500, 16 x 40 S.B.C. 6 packs of nickles, dropped from 8500 ft. Target could not be seen visually as a D.R. run was made from Mount Vesuvius. Did not see own bombs burst. 8/10ths cloud in target area. Vertical vis. good. Light and heavy light flak bursting 8-9,000 ft. over Naples. S/L's operating in cones seen to be co-operating with guns. Not considered a successful trip.	A-688
"	H.E. 261 "R"	S/L. Richer, B.D. P/O. Stanford, A.R. P/O. Belanger, P.F. P/O. Cairns, J.C. P/O. Hamblin, W.D.M. (Sgt. Headland, A.J.)	"	0015	0645	Bomb load: 7 x 500, 16 x 40 S.B.C. dropped from 9,000 ft. Bombs seen to burst N. of target area. Flares some distance from target. Numerous S/L's and some predicted flak. Vis. poor and trip not considered a success. One Red Cross ship seen N. of Stilly.	A-689
"	H.E. 551 "M"	P/O. DeSolla, H. Sgt. Cavanagh, J.C. Sgt. Gallant, G.F. P/O. Hill, G.A. (Sgt. Wood, D.A.)	"	0020	0615	Bomb load: 7 x 500, 16 x 40 S.B.C. bombed from 7300 ft. Vis. poor and bombs not seen to burst. Heavy predicted flak but not accurate, attempting to co-operate with S/L's. Nickles dropped as ordered.	A-690
"	H.E. 978 "X"	Sgt. Liddell, J. (A/G) Sgt. Pope, G.H. Sgt. Graves, H. Sgt. Stafford, S.E.J. Sgt. Mookridge, A.H.M. Sgt. Jebb, T.	"	0020	0620	Bomb load: 7 x 500, 16 x 40 S.B.C. & packs of nickles dropped at 9,000 ft. Target identified visually by flares. Bombs not seen to burst. Success for raid doubtful. Vis. over target hazy. Moderate heavy flak bursting at 9-11,000 ft. S/L's attempting to co-operate with guns.	A-691


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