

OPERATIONS RECORD BOOK

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of (Unit or Formation) No. 429 Squadron, R.C.A.F.

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LEAMING	1.10.45		Fine at first. Cloudy during morning and afternoon, and fine at night. Good visibility. Light variable winds. One crew carried out a day cross-country today and three others successfully completed night cross-countries. One other aircraft was flown on air test. The crew members being posted to Skipton were busy today XXXX finishing their clearances. As a result of this posting most of the crews have been broken up which will entail further training when they have been re-formed.		
	2.10.45		Cloudy and hazy all day, with light variable winds. One aircraft was flown today on circuits and landings and one was given an air test. No other flying was done. The personnel posted from Skipton to replace those posted out, arrived today.		
	3.10.45		Fog early, becoming fine after sunrise. Cloudy in afternoon. Moderate or poor visibility and light winds. Two aircraft were flown on training flights this morning and four others carried out circuits and landing exercises at night. A crew conference was held in the afternoon and the new arrivals from Skipton were given an idea of what has been going on at this Station.		
	4.10.45		Fine early, becoming cloudy after dawn. Visibility hazy early and late, improving temporarily to good during morning. Light southerly wind. No flying was carried out today. Five crews were briefed for Dodge Operations tonight but the operation was cancelled at take-off time due to unfavourable weather conditions. Some ground training was given to crew members today. The Navigators and Air Bombers trained on Radar. The 1 Group Bombing Range Orders and procedure were explained to the Air Bombers by S/L D. Halorow (J.16794) the Bombing Leader. Fifteen Air Gunners practiced Sket Shooting Shooting.		
	5.10.45		Cloudy and foggy at first, becoming fine but hazy. Rapid decrease of visibility after 1800 hrs. and fog formed by dark. Light and variable winds. Five aircraft took off this morning on a Dodge Operation but landed at Little Stoughton due to weather conditions. One other aircraft carried out a Cross-country exercise this forenoon. S/L M. Morrison (J.37947) and his crew flew this afternoon carrying members of a Canadian Army Entertainment Party as passengers on short cross-country flights. Three of these flights were made. A night flying programme which had been arranged was cancelled because of the weather. Sections were able to carry out some ground training today. A Group W/T exercise was commenced by the Wireless Operators but was not completed due to weak signals, 15 gunners practiced Sket Shooting. The Gunnery Section has also started carrying out No. 1 Group Standard Efficiency Tests. The lecture room in the Station Armoury has been acquired for this purpose.		
	6.10.45		Fog all morning. Fine in afternoon with visibility becoming moderate to good temporarily, then deteriorating again in late afternoon. Light Northeasterly winds or calm. The five aircraft which landed at Little Stoughton and were returned to base yesterday returned to base today. Two crews flew over Leeds and York today taking part in a Thanksgiving Service. No other flying was carried out today as the weather was not suitable for training. The personnel not on flying duties and not detailed to stand by for Dodge Operations were allowed to proceed on weekend pass.		

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LSMEE	7.10.45		Fog patches early soon clearing and becoming fair to cloudy with moderate to good visibility. Fine in afternoon and evening. Light westerly winds. One aircraft was air tested this forenoon but no other flying was done. Five crews were briefed for Dodge Operations in the evening to take-off tomorrow morning. Otherwise there was very little activity on the Station owing to personnel being away on pass.		
	8.10.45		Fair to cloudy, good visibility, wind SW-W 5 to 15 mph. Five aircraft took off this morning on Dodge Operations, flying directly to Fomigliano. Three other aircraft were flown on air tests today and two carried out night cross-country exercises. The wireless operators were given Morse training today.		88
	9.10.45		Cloudy. Hazy towards dusk. Moderate visibility. Wind southerly 5 to 15 mph. Three aircraft carried out day cross-country exercises and five others completed night cross-country. The wireless operators trained on Morse today while the Air Bombers trained on Radar. Some Air Gunners practised aircraft shooting while others were engaged in sports. Five crews were detailed to stand by for Dodge Operations tomorrow.		
	10.10.45		Cloudy, with rain in morning and evening. Visibility moderate. Wind S'ly 2 to 15 mph veering N'ly 5 to 10. The five aircraft on Dodge Operations returned today after landing at Fomigliano to unload their passengers. Each aircraft brought back 20 army personnel from Fomigliano and a successful trip was reported. Two crews were detailed for day cross-country exercises today but these were cancelled due to unfavourable weather conditions. P/L Budd from 1697 D.T.F., Helmswell visited the Gunnery Section today regarding Fighter Affiliation training. He also left two Cine Cameras and Gyro Sight Units for installation in our aircraft. During the afternoon most of the Squadron personnel participated in Sports.		
	11.10.45		Fog early becoming cloudy. Intermittent rain in evening. Moderate visibility. Wind light southerly. No flying was carried out today and no Dodge Operations were ordered. The weather was unfit for flying training. Seven air gunners were given Standard Efficiency Tests today.		
	12.10.45		Fair to cloudy. Visibility moderate to poor. Wind light and variable. One crew carried out a cross-country today but no further flying was done. Five crews were detailed to stand by for Dodge Operations tomorrow. Morse training was carried out by the wireless operators while three gunners were given S.E. Tests.		
	13.10.45		Fog morning and night - otherwise fine with moderate visibility. Wind light and variable. No Dodge Operations was ordered for today. All crews not detailed to stand by for Dodge Operations were given the week-end off.		
	14.10.45		Fog morning and night, otherwise fine with good visibility. Wind light and variable. There was no flying carried out at all. Stand by crews were on hand in case they were required for Dodge Operations but no order came through.		

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LEAMING	15.10.45		Fog early, clearing by 0900 hours, then nice all day with moderate visibility and light winds. Today the Station Commander G/C S.H. Evans (Can. G.133) gave a lecture to the Squadron on "Discipline" referring particularly to personnel in Italy on Dodge Operations. P/L J. England also addressed the Squadron on the Victory Bond Drive. One crew did local flying today and one aircraft was up on a test. The Air Bombers spent the afternoon on Radar Training. Ten crews are still standing by for Dodge Operations. Night flying was ordered but was later scrubbed except for one crew which carried out local circuits and landings.		
	16.10.45		Fine and hazy all day. Visibility moderate. Fog developing soon after dark. Light winds. Three crews carried out cross-country flights today. The Pilot's spent some time on Link Training this morning and XXXX the Wireless Operators spent one hour on Morse Training. Night flying training was ordered and scrubbed due to adverse weather conditions. Today personnel on the Squadron completed Application Forms for Enlistment or Appointment to the R.C.A.F. "during the Transition Period"		
	17.10.45		Fog early. Cloudy all morning with light drizzle about midday. Fog again at night. Moderate or poor visibility. Light winds. All flying scheduled for day was scrubbed due to the weather. P/L J.J. Smith (Can. J.25112) A/B gave a lecture to the Air Bombers this morning on "Ground Levelling for the MK XIV Bombsight. Also the Signals Leader P/L R.A. Anderson (Can. J.17927) gave a lecture to the Wireless Operators on "Safety Factor". This morning the Pilots carried out Link Training and the Wireless Operators spent an hour on Morse Training. The afternoon was spent on Sports and there were some very good inter-section softball games.		
	18.10.45		Fog early. Cloudy all day. Visibility moderate or poor early and late, but good for a time in afternoon. Winds light and variable. Eight crews took off on Dodge Operations today at 1530 hours for Glatton. P/L J.L. Nelson (Can. J.37953) proceeded to Glatton in the Oxford as O.C. Flying. Four crews carried out Cross-countries. One crew was detailed for night flying training but this was scrubbed due to weather. The S.E. Tests for Air Gunners are proceeding according to schedule. Seven Gunners were given final tests on Gun Assembly. Three crews and fifteen passengers were briefed at 1630 hrs. for a Spasm Operation.		
	19.10.45		Cloudy all morning, fine in afternoon and evening with fog developing later. Moderate vis. during the day. Light Southerly winds. Three aircraft, each with five passengers took off this morning at 0615 hrs. on a Spasm Operation. Two aircraft took part in the Grand National (air display) over Huddersfield in aid of the Huddersfield Thanksgiving Week. Three crews were on circuits and landings tonight for an hour. Five Air Gunners took Standard Efficiency Tests today.		
	20.10.45		Cloudy XXXX most of the day apart from a period of moderate to poor visibility in early afternoon. Light Southerly winds. There was no flying carried out at Base today. The eight aircraft that left Base on Oct. 18th on Dodge Operation for Glatton left Glatton this morning for Italy after a two day hold-up due to weather. The three crews that went to Berlin yesterday on Spasm returned to Tihonhas today but due to poor weather conditions at Base they were directed to Kemington. Six Air Gunners had S.E. tests today.		

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ESMDE	21.10.45		Cloudy all day. Fog most of morning with occasional drizzle. Rain in afternoon and evening. Cloudy at night. Visibility poor all day, becoming good after dark. Light South-Westerly winds. No flying scheduled for today. The three crews that returned from Berlin today were unable to leave Kemington for Base due to bad weather. The Section Leaders, however, returned by road.		
	22.10.45		Occasional rain and showers. Fair after dusk. Moderate or good visibility. Moderate SSWly winds. The three crews at Kemington returned to Base today. Otherwise there was no flying today until tonight when two crews were on circuits, dual and solo. Four crews are standing by for Dodge Operations but none were ordered today. Two pilots spent time on the Link Trainer and one crew was on Dinghy Drill. Standard Efficiency Test Instructors for all Gunners is well underway. Five Wireless Operators spent an hour on Morse training. Two lectures were given to the Air Bombers today, one by the Bombing Leader P/L D. Halcrow (Can J.16794) on "Centre of Gravity Determination" and the other by the Station Radar Nav. Officer P/L J.C. Hall DFC (Can J.21136) on "H2S MK II C Type".		
	23.10.45		Fog at first. Moderate visibility later. Periods of rain. Fair after dusk. Fresh SWly winds, gusty. There was very little flying carried out today due to poor weather conditions. One aircraft was given an air test and two crews completed their Dodge training by each doing a night cross-country. Two Pilots did Radio Range Exercises on the Link Trainer today and one crew carried out a dinghy drill. Four Wireless Operators spent an hour on Morse Training. P/L J. Carr (175988) the Flight Engineer Leader gave a repeat lecture to the Flight Engineers on "Dodge Procedure, Filling Out of Forms 700 A and Reporting of Snags". The Air Bombers were given a lecture by the Bombing Leader P/L D. Halcrow (Can J.16794) on "Bombing Theory". The 'A' Flight Pilots were given a lecture by their Commander S/L L.H. Morrison (Can J.37947) on "Engine Failures". The 'B' Flight Pilots were given a lecture by their Commander S/L H.L. Sanders (Can J.9149) on "Ising and Instruments".		
	24.10.45		Periods of rain and showers. Moderate visibility. Fresh or strong SWly winds, gusty. All flying scheduled for today was scrubbed due to poor weather conditions. Five Pilots did Link training and one crew carried out a Dinghy Drill exercise this morning. This afternoon was spent on Sports mostly Basketball and Badminton.		
	25.10.45		Rain and showers, sometimes heavy. Moderate or good visibility. Fresh SWly winds, gusty. All flying scheduled for today was again scrubbed due to adverse weather. A crew conference was held this morning and the Station Personnel Counsellor P/L H.W. Johnson (Can 23380) gave a lecture on "Rehabilitation". Also it was decided at the conference to send two Navigators with three Air Bombers to the H2S Ground Trainer every day.		
	26.10.45		Rain and showers. Good visibility. Winds fresh SWly veering NWly, gusty. All flying training was cancelled again today. The Oxford was delivered to Binhook for disposal. Two Pilots spent some time on the Link Trainer and the Wireless Operators spent one hour on Morse Training.		
	27.10.45		Fair, excellent visibility. Moderate Wly winds, backing light SSWly during the evening. Five aircraft were tested this morning but that was all the flying done today. The Squadron was stood-down at noon for the weekend.		

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28.10.45		Continuous rain and drizzle. Moderate or poor visibility. Light or moderate S-S'ly winds. Today was Sunday so there were no Squadron activities at all.		
29.10.45		Continuous rain until late evening. Poor visibility. Moderate N'ly winds. Four crews were briefed for a Dodge Operation today but due to poor weather conditions it was cancelled at 1600 hrs. For the same reason the night flying scheduled for tonight was scrubbed also. The Flight Engineer Leader W/L J. Carr (17998) delivered a lecture today to the Flight Engineers on "Dodge Engine Handling Procedure". Also the Bombing Leader W/L D. Halcrow (Can J.16794) gave a lecture to the Air Bombers on "Discipline and General Bearing".		
30.10.45		Cloudy. Occasional light drizzle during the night. Visibility very good apart from early morning mist. Wind SW-W fresh to strong, gusty during the Afternoon. Four crews took off today at 1530 hrs. for Glatton on a Dodge Operation. The eight crews who went to Italy on October 20th still havn't returned to England. Two crews carried out cross-country training flights this morning and two more carried out cross-country training flights tonight.		
31.10.45		Fair and hazy. Fog morning and night. Visibility poor at first improving to moderate becoming poor again after dusk. Wind light S-SE. This morning at 0900 hrs. the Station Commander G/C E.H. Evans (Can C.153) held a Station Parade. The Squadron strength on parade was 73. The remainder were either on leave, on duty or in Italy on Dodge Operations. The four crews that went to Glatton yesterday on Dodge Operations returned to Base from Glatton today. The operation was scrubbed due to poor flying weather and the crews were ordered to stand-by. The afternoon was taken up by Sports.		
CASUALTIES				
NIL				
POSTINGS-IN				
Can. C.3832	E/O Allen, J.C.	F/E	J.43064	E/O Behan, G.R. A/G
J.47011	E/O Boissonault, H.&P.	A/G	J.89616	E/O Cook, W.B.J. A/G
J.19961	E/O Griffiths, W.F.	A/G	J.37637	E/O Eask, R.H. F/E
J.46176	E/O Mortimer, C.	A/G	J.88826	E/O Beauchamp, N.E.J. A/G
J.19319	E/O McOool, D.S.	A/G	J.87235	E/O McDonough, F.J. A/G
C.87213	E/O O'Reilly, M.D.	A/G	J.89065	E/O Stafford, E.G. A/G
J.47597	E/O Williams, J.D.	A/G	J.38173	E/O Gline, A.S. Nav.
J.29072	E/L Doryckere, I.A.	Pilot	J.40527	E/O Fallon, D.D. Nav.
J.29895	E/L Fidler, G.T.J.	Pilot	J.17481	E/L Forrester, F.R. WO/AG
J.83260	E/O Knight, J.A.	Pilot	J.17933	E/L MacKenzie, S.L. WO/AG
J.11810	E/L McMonnae, G.S.	Pilot	J.38136	E/L Monahan, M.A. Pilot
J.22605	E/L Philp, S.C.	Nav.	J.18668	E/L Snelgrove, J.M. Pilot
J.7041	E/L Todd, R.K.	WO/AG	J.43025	E/O Weber, F.C. Nav.
J.43940	E/O Johnson, J.	A/B	J.93337	E/O Louis, R.D. A/B
J.96430	E/O Macdonald, D.G.	WO/AG	J.89630	E/O Milligan, R.W.D. WO/AG
J.89700	E/O Saphon, G.S.	A/B	J.49628	E/O Smallcombe, L.G. E/E
J.23112	E/L Smith, I.J.	A/B	J.39269	E/O Stewart, R.G. A/B

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J42192	E/O		Utley, P.A.	A/B	J90686	E/O Wheeler, F.B. A/B
E182221	E/S		Marchant, W.M.	E/S	E189974	WO2 Gougeon, J.F.M. E/E/E
E208167	WO2		Harris, E.F.	E/E/E	E209016	E/E Henry, L.V. E/E
E209479	E/S		Whittaker, J.	E/S	E217191	Sgt Batstone, W.J. E/S
E255452	E/S		Davy, W.A.	E/S	E250699	E/S Wigney, E.A. E/S
E215596	E/S		Soady, L.G.	A/G	E221571	WO2 Elliott, G.S. A/G
E264157	WO2		Carriere, E.E.	A/W	E281815	E/S Caruthers, O.R. A/G
E283616	E/S		Rourke, T.H.	A/G	E289112	E/S O'Connor, A. A/G
E283952	E/S		Malyk, M.J.	A/G	E223411	WO2 MacKay, K.G. Nav.
E176497	WO2		Carlson, C.O.	A/B	E184206	WO2 Eusef, R.K. A/B
E189992	WO1		Thibeault, G.A.	WO/AG	E206539	WO2 Lavalee, L.G. WO/AG
E136905	WO2		Violette, J.Y.A.	WO/AG	J.85565	E/L Powers, M.D. Pilot
Posted from No. 438 Squadron RCAP Skipton waf. 2.10.45						
J91008	E/O		Harkness, R.	WO/AG	J.93524	E/O Keane, R.H. WO/AG
Posted from No. 424 Squadron waf. 2.10.45.						
J.46563	E/O		Johnston, K.L.	Nav.	J.46567	E/O Bouchior, W.F. Nav.
J.44257	E/O		Kent, D.G.	Nav.	J.45578	E/O Simms, S.J. Nav.
J.47065	E/O		Smith, B.W.	Nav.	J.43517	E/O Whiteley, G.L. Nav.
Posted from Tholthorpe waf. 2.10.45.						
J.46447	E/O		Band, A.M.	A/G	Posted from Tholthorpe waf. 18.10.45	
J.28351	E/O		Hoff, C.L.	A/B	Posted from No. 433 Squadron waf. 16.10.45	
J.46768	E/O		Kit, J.	WO/AG	Posted from Topcliffe waf. 26.10.45	
J.95606	E/O		Wright, W.H.	WO/AG	Reposted this Unit on appt. to Comm. waf. 20.10.45	
J.99051	E/O		Davidson, W.D.	Nav.	J.43936	E/O Lang, W.B. XXXX A/B
J.17955	E/O		MacMillan, D.J.	Pilot	J.88268	E/O Styan, H.K. Nav.
Posted from No. 433 Squadron waf. 2.10.45						
E251540	E/S		Gameron, J.A.	E/E/E	E266762	E/S Galian, L.P. Nav.
J.44609	E/O		Campbell, J.W.	A/B	J.27546	E/O Coleman, A.P. Nav.
J.44359	E/O		Columbus, W.C.	E/E/E	J.47655	E/O DuFour, E.V. E/E/E
J.44211	E/O		Geiger, D.W.	E/E/E	J.44375	E/O Graham, W.S. E/E/E
J.43169	E/O		Hall, K.F.	Nav.	J.44424	E/O Johnstone, E.A. E/E/E
J.44473	E/O		La Berge, E.C.	E/E/E	J.44411	E/O Loynes, L.W. E/E/E
J.44279	E/O		Metcalf, G.A.	Nav.	J.88572	E/O Redpath, H.H. Nav.
J.89717	E/O		Treleavan, R.M.	A/B	J.45110	E/O Wood, J.M. Nav.
Posted from Topcliffe waf. 2.10.45.						
E256024	WO2		Berlanger, J.F.	A/G/WO	Posted from 427 Squadron waf. 2.10.45	

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J.37690	F/L	Bawtree, L. Pilot	J.37694 F/L	Enoisy-Geignies M.de J. Pilot
J.42361	F/O	Morris, J.B. Pilot	J.44317 F/O	Boxall, S.A. Nav.
J.90195	F/O	Duck, S.J. Nav.	J.39319 F/O	Dunn, K.O. Nav.
J.40695	F/O	Lewis, A.S. Nav.	J.43928 F/O	O'Dell, A.S. Nav.
J.43359	F/O	Fatton, S.J. Nav.	J.40912 F/O	Sheath, H.S. Nav.
J.43918	F/O	Weatherill, H.H. Nav.	J.93366 F/O	Galler, J. WO/AG
J.40590	F/O	Gottfried, H.H. Nav.	J.93407 F/O	Jamieson, J. WO/AG
J.92788	F/O	Sellers, S.H. A/B	J.87706 F/O	Jumierland, N.K. WO/AG
J.38377	F/O	Groteam, E.J. A/B	J.43871 F/O	Jumming, D.S. A/B
J.45936	F/O	Grant, D.H. A/B	J.88907 F/O	Sherar, L.W. A/G
J.94310	F/O	Stowe, G.A. A/B	J.94908 F/O	Thomas, B.A. A/G
J.91142	F/O	Digby, R.H. Pilot	R118681 F/S	Gabriol, R.H. Nav.
R190062	WO2	Sturups, V.R. Nav.	R205434 F/S	Ormsiston, L.H. Nav.
R164730	WO1	Lemanquo, R.J. WO/AG	R164328 WO1	Frad'Homme, J.A. A/B
R186137	WO1	Wieloch, D.J. WO/AG	R199435 WO2	Grandguillot, S.J.J. A/B
R201067	WO2	Erickila, J.A. A/B	R204706 WO2	Milloy, J.A.C. WO/AG
R207817	WO2	Cross, J.W. WO/AG	R221122 F/S	Walker, N.S. Nav.
R209555	WO2	Cronin, J.M. A/B	R211402 WO2	Houso, H.D. A/B
R214164	F/S	Wright, F.C. A/B	R223940 SGT	Rotman, C. F/S
R24735	WO2	Honder, H.J. A/B	R269412 F/S	Smith, A.P. F/S
R26518	F/S	Fleming, J.F. F/S	R277631 SGT	Smith, S. F/S
R289327	F/S	Snow, D.A. F/S	R285436 F/S	Monagh, K.J. F/S
R29301	F/S	Morrison, J.A. F/S	R289172 F/S	Weld, S.D. F/S
R29340	SGT	Torris, J.M. A/G	R289160 F/S	Sveinbjornson, J. F/S
R289239	F/S	Ritchie, W.F. F/S	R293325 F/S	Taylor, S.V. F/S
R289726	F/S	Simpson, K.M. F/S	R290727 F/S	Loas, J.H. F/S
R290964	F/S	Thompson, G.R. F/S	R292644 F/S	Moffitt, W. F/S
R293001	F/S	Mann, J.L. F/S	R.74084 WO2	Mullen, J.A. A/G
R221863	F/S	Hawrelak, M. A/G	R254173 WO2	Besseler, T. A/G
R261959	WO2	Gleland, J.B. A/G	R266833 WO2	Boy, H.J. A/G
R270824	F/S	Smith, J.C. A/G	R271808 WO2	Conrad, D.A. A/G
R277437	F/S	Brennan, G.A. A/G	R275634 F/S	Smith, K.F. A/G
R280541	F/S	Judson, J.D. A/G	R290231 F/S	Williamson, K.H. A/G
Posted to No. 433 Squadron, Skipton. waf. 2.10.45				
J.16759	F/L	Lawton, D. WO/AG	Posted to 'R' Depot, Torquay	waf. 1.10.45
J.46763	F/O	Johnston, K.L. Nav.	" " " " 427 Squadron	waf. 2.10.45
J.93524	F/O	Keane, R.H. WO/AG	" " " " " "	" " " "
J.42192	F/O	Utley, F.A. A/B	" " " " " "	" " " "
J.93319	F/O	Colquhoun, A.B. A/G	" " " " " "	" " " "
J.45378	F/O	Simms, B.B. Nav.	" " " " " "	" " " "
J.47065	F/O	Smith, B.W. Nav.	" " " " " "	" " " "
J.43317	F/O	Whitely, G.J. Nav.	" " " " " "	" " " "
J.90662	F/O	Hird, S.D. A/G	Posted N/S 31st, RCAP Leeming	waf. 20.10.45
R264135	WO2	Carriars, H.S. A/G	Posted to RCAP Leeming	waf. 25.10.45
R189914	WO2	Gougeon, J.A. F/S/E	Posted to RCAP Leeming	waf. 30.10.45
R209679	F/S	Whittaker, J. F/S	Posted to RCAP Leeming	waf. 30.10.45

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			197182	P/O Dalton, J.B.	P/S	Posted to RAF Station Elyton, waf. 24.10.45	
			1474041	P/S Perkins, H.	P/S	1989460 SGT Gibson, J.	P/S
			1922975	P/S Clark, C.C.D.	P/S	1995996 P/S Button, A.D.	P/S
			1816270	SGT Bignall, A.	P/S	1823760 P/S Marcor, A.H.	P/S
			1826704	P/S Gudgeon, D.A.	P/S	1837040 SGT Meredith, A.G.	P/S
			3011952	P/S Percival, E.	P/S	3030098 P/S Garland, V.A.	P/S
			3032036	P/S Branier, P.	P/S	3041965 SGT Perfect, J.S.	P/S
			<u>PROMOTIONS</u>				
			J.94490	P/O MacDonald, D.G.	WO/AG	Prom. to T/P/O waf. 7.9.45	
			J.94390	P/O Lang, W.A.	A/G	Prom. to T/P/O waf. 25.9.45	
			J.93715	P/O McRorie, K.J.	A/G	Prom. to T/P/O waf. 3.8.45	
			197182	P/O Dalton, J.B.	P/S	Prom. to T/P/O waf. 29.8.45	
			R289230	SGT Ritchie, N.F.	P/S	Prom. to T/P/S waf. 29.8.45	
			R289325	SGT Taylor, S.V.	P/S	Prom. to T/P/S waf. 6.9.45	
			R289726	SGT Simpson, R.M.	P/S	Prom. to T/P/S waf. 6.9.45	
			R290727	SGT Ross, J.H.	P/S	Prom. to T/P/S waf. 6.9.45	
			R290964	SGT Thompson, G.A.	P/S	Prom. to T/P/S waf. 6.9.45	
			R292644	SGT Moffitt, W.	P/S	Prom. to T/P/S waf. 29.8.45	
			R220046	P/S Hagen, S.M.	Nav.	Prom. to T/P/S waf. 2.9.45	
			R279699	P/S Wilvers, A.J.	A/G	Prom. to T/NO2 waf. 2.9.45	
			R285728	P/S Ferrigo, J.L.	A/G	Prom. to T/NO2 waf. 3.8.45	
			R287021	P/S Kettles, K.D.	A/G	Prom. to NO2 waf. 13.8.45	
			R281815	P/S Carrothers, O.S.	A/G	Prom. to NO2 waf. 13.8.45	
			<u>COMMISSIONS</u>				
			R110960	WO1 Wright, W.N.	WO/AG	Comm. w.o.f. 27.8.45 (J95606)	
			<u>CHANGES IN COMMAND</u>				
			NIL				
			<u>CHANGES IN ADMINISTRATION</u>				
			NIL				
			<u>HONOURS & AWARDS</u>				
			NIL				
			<u>AIRCRAFT ON STRENGTH ON 31ST OCTOBER, 1945</u>				
			Lancaster Mk. I			- 10	
			Lancaster Mk. III			- 11	
			Lancaster Mk. VII			- 1	
			Total			- 22	

OPERATIONS RECORD BOOK

of (Unit or Formation) No. 429 Squadron, R.C.A.F.

No. of pages used for day

Date	Time	Summary of Events	SECRET.	References to Appendices
<u>OPERATIONS AND TRAINING DURING OCTOBER, 1945</u>				
		(a) Operational Flying Day : 124 hrs. 10 mins. Night : Nil		
		(b) Flying Training Day : 102 hrs. 35 mins. Night : 31 hrs. 13 mins.		
		Total Flying : 278 hrs. 00 mins.		
<u>MEMORIAL STRENGTH OF SQUADRON AT 21.59 HOURS ON 31ST OCTOBER, 1945</u>				
		<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRCREW</u>	<u>GROUNDCREW</u>
R.C.A.F.		120	1	R.C.A.F. 43
R.A.F.		1	-	R.A.F. 1
TOTAL STRENGTH		122	1	46
<u>GENERAL</u>				
<p>During October this Squadron completed one Dodge Operation. Five crews took part and a total of 100 British Soldiers were brought to England for leave. Eight more crews are now in Italy on another Dodge Operation but due to poor flying weather they have been unable to return to this country as yet. Two further Dodge Operations were cancelled after five and four aircraft respectively had taken off and landed at the Advance Bases. Three Spas sorties were carried out and the crews with fifteen passengers thoroughly enjoyed their brief survey of Berlin. Also four Grand National sorties were carried out. Two aircraft took part in the Air Display over Leeds and York, and the other two over Huddersfield. Flying training, to prepare more crews for Dodge Operations, has been continued intensively during the month whenever the weather permitted. When the weather didn't permit flying, ground training was carried out and many lectures were given. The re-crewing of the Squadron has been completed and few personnel changes are expected. The general health of the personnel has been excellent.</p>				
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