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FOR THE MONTH OF January 1943

DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
25/1/43	Wellington 414 BK 540 C	Sgt. Lancaster J. Sgt. Dale R.V. Sgt. Boyes L.J. Sgt. Thon S.M. Sgt. Kabinovitch M.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WGE/AG A/G	17.14	23.25	<u>BOMBING RAID L'ORIENT</u> . Weather good. Ground haze and heavy darkness. Primary load dropped from altitude of 9,500 feet at 2039 hours. Bomb load dropped was seen to burst in centre of town. Bomb load consisted of two 1000 lb. bombs and three 500 lb. bombs. Successful sortie.	
26/1/43	Wellington 111 BY 799 D	Sgt. Bruce S.M. P/O M.J.M. Lagasse Sgt. Carthorn F.J. Sgt. Godden R. Sgt. Strachan S. Sgt. Strachan S.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WGE/AG A/G	17.15	21.26	<u>BOMBING RAID L'ORIENT</u> . This aircraft was supposed to return early due to unserviceability of engine etc.	
26/1/43	Wellington 111 BK 162 F	P/Lt. G. Kenyon P/O J.C. Messenger P/O L.E. Thompson Sgt. Craig R.A. Sgt. Fitzgerald G.A.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WGE/AG A/G	17.14	22.25	<u>BOMBING RAID L'ORIENT</u> . Successful sortie. Incendiaries were dropped according to schedule. Primary target attacked from an altitude of 11,500 feet at 20.31 hours. Several fires were seen to have taken hold. Aircraft carried 6 SBC of 9000 lb. Incendiaries. Landed at Middle Waller.	
26/1/43	Wellington X BK 172 G	Sgt. Ellison R. Sgt. Bailey A.G. Sgt. Horton H.E.J. Sgt. Nicholson M.C. P/O. J.J. Elliott.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WGE/AG A/G	17.19	23.19	<u>BOMBING RAID L'ORIENT</u> . Successful sortie. Incendiaries were dropped according to schedule. On arrival target was found well illuminated by fires. One large explosion was seen in centre of target area. Aircraft carried 6 SBC of 9000 lb. Incendiaries. Landed at Lindholme.	
26/1/43	Wellington 111 BK 163 H	Sgt. Rodgers L.L. Sgt. Davies G. Sgt. Lewis D. Sgt. Allen A.G. Sgt. Ross G.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WGE/AG A/G	17.17	Missing	<u>BOMBING RAID L'ORIENT</u> . No report was received of this aircraft after leaving base. It was carrying two 1000 lb. bombs and three 500 lb. bombs.	

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24/1/43	Wellington 111 WJ 715 K	Sgt. De Bussac G. Sgt. Spence M.B. E/O J.A. Folliva Sgt. Coe C.D. Sgt. Hubstier D.M.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WCE/AG A/G	17.16	19.18	BOMBING RAID L'ORIENT. This aircraft returned early without completing the sortie, due to unserviceability of the Intercommunication System.	
26/1/43	Wellington 111 BP 625 V	Sgt. Hunan S. Sgt. Brown E.H. Sgt. Wood J.H. Sgt. Litchfield H.G. Sgt. Lane F.S.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WCE/AG A/G	17.18	22.23	BOMBING RAID L'ORIENT. Successful sortie. This aircraft dropped its 4000 lb. bomb at 20.44 hours from an altitude of 11,000 feet. Target was identified visually by the estuary and bridge. Landed at Rosneath Down.	
25/1/43	Wellington 111 Z1696 f	E/O B.F.W. Rawson E/O J.W. Kerr E/O I.S. McIntosh Sgt. Smith J. Sgt. Jakeman J.S.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WCE/AG A/G	17.18	22.30	BOMBING RAID L'ORIENT. This aircraft was shot up by a believed enemy convoy. Due to evasive action it was impossible to be on the target on time, so a return was made to base with the bomb load.	
26/1/43	Wellington 111 WJ 928 W	E/Sgt. Conroy R.F. Sgt. Jell E.H. Sgt. Densmore G.R. Sgt. Burns J. Sgt. Nelson G.A.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WCE/AG A/G	17.19	23.39	BOMBING RAID L'ORIENT. This aircraft attacked the ordinary target at 20.14 hours, dropping the 4000 lb. bomb from an altitude of 8000 feet. Successful sortie.	

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APPENDIX 21

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				UP	DOWN		
21/1/43	Wellington 111 BK 163 H	Sgt. De Russac G. Sgt. Spence L.B. Sgt. Cox G.D. Sgt. Palmetier D.E. E/O W.A. Follows.	Pilot Navigator WCE/AG A/G Bomb Aimer	11.41	16.30	A.S.R. Search. No results.	
21/1/43	Wellington X HE 172 G	Sgt. Ellison R. Sgt. Bailey J.G. Sgt. Horton H.E.J. Sgt. Nicholson E.C. Sgt. Anglin W.S.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WCE/AG A/G	11.43	11.56	A.S.R. Search. Returned early.	
21/1/43	Wellington 111 WJ 908 W	P/Sgt. Cooney R.P. Sgt. Bell R.H. Sgt. Denmore D.R. Sgt. Nelson C.A. Sgt. Burns J.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WCE/AG A/G	11.45	15.56	A.S.R. Search. No results.	
21/1/43	Wellington 111 WJ 799 D	Sgt. Bruce S.H. E/O M.J.M. Lagasse Sgt. Cowburn S.J. Sgt. Golden R. Sgt. Strachan S.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WCE/AG A/G	11.46	15.57	A.S.R. Search. No results.	
21/1/43	Wellington 111 X 1696 P	E/O B.F.N. Rawson E/O J.W. Kerr E/O I.S. McIntosh E/O D. Brandle Sgt. Jakeman J.S.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WCE/AG A/G	11.47	16.18	A.S.R. Search. No results.	

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				Up	Down		
21/1/43	Wellington 111 DF 625 /	Sgt. Homan S. Sgt. Brown M.P. Sgt. Wood J.K. Sgt. Litchfield E.G. Sgt. Lane P.S.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WOP/AG A/G	11.48 17.18	11.59	A.S.R. Search. Returned safely.	
21/1/43	Wellington 111 BK 499 J	Sgt. Homan S. Sgt. Brown M.P. Sgt. Wood J.K. Sgt. Litchfield E.G. Sgt. Lane P.S.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WOP/AG A/G	16.55	21.11	GARDENING SORTIE TRENCHING. This aircraft was attacked by a Flak Ship on approaching the target. On the second attempt trenching was not found and the two 1500 lb. "vegetables" were brought back to base.	
21/1/43	Wellington 111 BK 432 S	P/O I.S. Johnson Sgt. Hingham C. P/O I.N. Stirton Sgt. Dymick A.G. Sgt. Stuart J.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WOP/AG A/G	16.56	Missing	GARDENING SORTIE TRENCHING. No report was received of this aircraft after it left base. It was carrying two 1500 lb. "vegetables" Assembly B 200 and A 108 and 9000 rounds of .303 ammunition.	
21/1/43	Wellington 111 BK 162 P	P/O G. Pentony P/O J.C. Messenger P/O L.E. Thompson Sgt. Craig K.A. Sgt. Fitzgerald C.A.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WOP/AG A/G	16.57	20.57	GARDENING SORTIE TRENCHING. This was a successful sortie. Weather conditions were good and the vegetables were planted as ordered. The coastline was plainly discernible. This aircraft was carrying two 1500 lb. "vegetables" Assembly B200 and B202. Parachutes were seen to open and a red flare pistol was fired at 19.53 hours.	
26/1/43	Wellington 111 21760 A	Sgt. Smith D.M. P/O H.A. Tennis Sgt. Nelson D.B. Sgt. Nicol J.J. Sgt. Crimmins R.P.	Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer WOP/AG A/G	17.53	22.53	BOMBING RAID L'ORIENT. Weather conditions were good with a slight ground haze. This sortie was successfully carried out, and several large bomb bursts were observed over the target. This aircraft carried two 1000 lb. bombs and three 500 lb. bombs and landed at Harwell after completing the operation.	