

OPERATIONS RECORD BOOK

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EASTMOOR	1.4.45.		<p>Compiling officer: (C.21656) P/Lt. G. R. Roberts for the period 1st. to 30th. April, 1945.</p> <p>No operational commitments. Easter Sunday and most of the crews attended church service. The mess bar was well fraternised during the evening, fellows celebrating Easter. Two new crews were checked on circuits and landings. Three crews completing air to sea and H2S bombing.</p>		
EASTMOOR	2.4.45		<p>No operational commitments. The commanding officer attended a conference at base, R.C.A.F. Linton. One bomb aimer (screened) was posted to R.C.A.F. Topcliffe as instructor. One screened wireless operator was posted to No. 22 O.T.U., Wellesbourne. One new crew reported for flying duties captained by J.43125 P/O Pegler S.M. Five crews completing air to sea and bombing cross-country. One crew completed air to sea exercise. J.23372 P/O Proud R. was screened to-day with 122 points and 33 trips.</p>		
EASTMOOR	3.4.45.		<p>fifteen crews were detailed for operations, but this was later scrubbed, personnel were briefed three times and standing by all day with the result that training was restricted. The new screening system on points is causing a lot of controversy. All the captains with around 115 points are anxious to know how many more trips they have to do and whether their crews will be screened with them.</p>		
EASTMOOR	4.4.45		<p>Fifteen crews were detailed to attack Harbours-Bombardier. All took off and fourteen aircraft attacked primary. Aircraft "A" had an early return due to undercarriage being unserviceable. Weather clear with some haze. Heavy flak was slight to moderate. Aircraft "B" captained by J.41534 P/O R. P. Nichol was attacked by what is believed to be A.4.4.163 and the two gunners R287598 P/S W. H. Billard and R287594 P/S J. B. Brooks claim this enemy aircraft destroyed. Aircraft "B" had hung up over target, 1 x 500 lbs. jettisoned safe. Aircraft "C" also jettisoned safe 10 x 500 lbs. and 6 x 500 lbs. to lighten aircraft. Two officers visited from group to discuss returns and had some comments to make on the point system as it affects screening. They expect clarification from Bomber Command. One pilot J.44452 P/Lt. J. H. Wallace was awarded the distinguished flying cross.</p>		A.3026 - A.3040
EASTMOOR	5.4.45.		<p>No operational commitments. Training included three crews who carried out H2S and cross-country. We had a squadron party starting at 1800 hours for all squadron personnel including the erks and personnel connected with the squadron. A fair quantity of beer was consumed and a number became slightly inebriated. If the kegs had received a bit of a shaking moving them around, some of them gave out with quite a shower when tapped, spraying all and sundry and causing much ribald laughter at the expense of those in the vicinity of the tapped kegs. The squadron commander had to leave early to go to Leamington and spoke to all the lads for a short moment before leaving.</p>		
EASTMOOR	6.4.45.		<p>No operational commitments. Training consisted of four crews completing bombing, fighter affiliation and H2S runs. One crew carried out bombing only and one crew completed air to sea. Two screened flight engineers were posted to A.C.440. One screened navigator posted to No. 22 O.T.U. Several crews are making a good effort to obtain the 48 hours pass offered for the crew buying the best bonds. A party given by the W.A.A.F.s. proved very successful. A film in the officers mess was well attended. -0-</p>		

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RAMMOOR	7.4.45		fifteen crews were detailed for operations, but this was later scrubbed. eight screened officers and one screened warrant officer are posted to R. J. A. F. "B" Depot. A large number of fellows were in work doing their usual rounds. Training was restricted to one crew on circuits and landings. Two crews cross country and bombing and one crew air to sea and fighter affiliation.		
RAMMOOR	8.4.45		Fifteen crews detailed to attack Hamburg. All took off and twelve aircraft attack the primary. Aircraft "j" abandoned task over base, the starboard inner engine unserviceable. Aircraft "k" had an early return due to losing the starboard outer engine. Aircraft "s" abandoned mission due to starboard outer engine becoming unserviceable. Aircraft "m" jettisoned safe 10 x 500 lbs. 6 x 500 lbs. to lighten aircraft. Aircraft "k" jettisoned safe 10 x 500 lbs. and 6 x 500 lbs. to lighten aircraft. Aircraft "s" jettisoned safe 10 x 500 lbs. and 6 x 500 lbs. to lighten aircraft. Flak was slight to moderate. Searchlights few and ineffective. Aircraft "w" hit by flak starboard inner engine. Propeller would not feather and eventually flew off. Aircraft "w" brought back to diversion base 1 x 500 lbs. which hung up over target. Aircraft "s" brought back 1 x 500 lbs. which hung up over target. Down aircraft diverted to market harbor. One aircraft landed at Little Staughton. Aircraft "s" claims 1 P. 190 damaged, piloted by P189599 P/S Neville P.C. Training consisted of four crews doing H2S, bombing, A/S and dashboards.		A.3041 - A.3055
RAMMOOR	9.4.45		No operational commitments. The crews returned to base in the late afternoon after being diverted to market harbor. Training was nil for this reason. Three of our pilots promoted to Acting Flight Lieutenant. Captain G. B. Ross No. 1. J. 28-107. Canadian Army, from crew and Lieutenant H. A. Jeppelmaid, No. 1. G. 42-14. Gordon Hampshire are attached to the Squadron this week on a liaison visit. The chaps who aren't otherwise employed are out playing volleyball, softball etc., in the marvelous English sunshine.		
RAMMOOR	10.4.45		Eighteen aircraft detailed to attack Leipzig. All took off and fifteen aircraft bombed the primary. Aircraft "q" bombed the wrong aiming point in error. Aircraft "k" abandoned task due to starboard outer engine being unserviceable. Aircraft "m" abandoned task over base starboard outer unserviceable. Aircraft "s" jettisoned safe 12 x 500 lbs. to lighten aircraft. Aircraft "w" jettisoned live 12 x 500 lbs. to lighten aircraft. Aircraft "s" jettisoned safe 5 x 500 lbs. to lighten aircraft, which hung up over target; bomb doors damaged - reason unknown. Aircraft "w" reports three flak holes, A.P.I. knocked out, skin broken front of rear turret. Aircraft "w" reports damaged fuselage and wings by flak. Aircraft "s" reports flak hole near wireless operator's position over target area. Aircraft "s" jettisoned live 8 x 500 lbs. which hung up over target. Heavy flak in target area slight to moderate. 6 P. 163 were reported in target area, one combat, but no claims were made. Attack appeared very successful. J. 26345 P/S A. J. Clarke and crew screened on completion of thirty-two operational sorties. No training was carried out to-day.		A.3056 - A.3073
RAMMOOR	11.4.45		A crew piloted by J. 28109 P/S L. W. W. Lopp were screened to-day on completion of thirty-three operational sorties. Three crews reported in for flying duties piloted by J. 28091 P/O W. H. Perrett, J. 43028 P/O H. E. Green and J. 27836 P/L Bagshaw P.C. One screened bomb aimer posted to R. J. A. F. Topcliffe and a screened air gunner was posted to Washleton for instructor duties. Training consisted of three crews carrying out bombing, H2S, fighter affiliation, air to sea firing. Two crews carried out bombing, H2S and air to sea.		

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EASTMOOR	12.4.45		No operational commitments. Have reached and passed our objective in the eighth victory war loan campaign. Two crews were seen enjoying themselves at the local pub, celebrating the fact that they have been screened. The day was calm with every evidence of summer having arrived. Had a stand down to-day and most of the personnel left the station in the afternoon.		
EASTMOOR	13.4.45		Fifteen aircraft detailed to attack Kiel. Fourteen aircraft attacked the primary. Aircraft "G" abandoned task after starboard engine propeller feathered itself causing vibration. Aircraft "W" jettisoned safe 10 x 500 lbs. and 6 x 500 lbs. to lighten aircraft. One aircraft diverted to Hovebourne. One aircraft landed at parent station. Two aircraft landed at Hovebourne-in-charge. One aircraft diverted to Low Parston. Flak was reported as moderate to intense. Fighter activity was reported, but no contact reported. The aircraft appeared very concentrated. The two day officers who were with us on a mission left to-day. They seem to have enjoyed their stay with us. The new crews are getting jelled up by their section leaders, the air bombers and navigators working on Radar Bay. One crew carried out cross country training.		A.3074 - A.3088
EASTMOOR	14.4.45		No operational commitments. Part of the crew who were diverted returned to-day. The training was restricted due to crews being diverted. Weather was rainy in the afternoon. One new crew piloted by J.9292 P/O L. S. Wright arrived to-day for flying duties. The following aircraft were few in number to-night, possibly due to the crews being diverted. One screened wireless operator was posted to Hovebourne to-day.		
EASTMOOR	15.4.45		No operational commitments. Training was carried out by both flights. "A" pilot having six crews on circuits and landings and local flying. "B" flight had four crews on cross-country and bombing, and four crews on bombing, H2S runs, air to sea. One of the four crews completed a fighter affiliation exercise. Two gunners who received their commission were celebrating the event at the mess bar. The day was busy both in ground training and air training.		
EASTMOOR	16.4.45		No operational commitments. Aircraft H.235 "B" crashed on take-off. Detailed for a cross-country training flight the aircraft swung to starboard on take off and crashed into the woods and demolished a picket post. The crew with the exception of the pilot got out, however, the pilot J.8601 P/O J. H. Porritt did not get out. The aircraft burned immediately. One animal in the picket post was killed and burned beyond recognition. There is a possibility there were other personnel in the hut. Aircraft H.235 "B" also swung on take off and crashed although it did not burn and no-one was injured. Three crews were on fighter affiliation, air to sea, bombing. Two crews completed cross country training, H2S fighter affiliation and air to sea and another crew on bombing, fighter affiliation and H2S runs.		
EASTMOOR	17.4.45		Eighteen crews were detailed for operations, but this was later scrubbed. The change in the points and tip system to 30 trips has enabled us to screen one flight commander J.10491 P/O F. J. Moran with 30 trips, a deputy flight commander J.16984 P/O M. J. Ellis and his rear gunner with 30 operational sorties and 23 sorties respectively. Two Wireless Operators R.19265 P/O J. Bullock W.S. with 28 operational sorties and J.90890 P/O G. E. Lawson with 30 operational sorties were screened. One crew piloted by J.2614 P/O A. G. S. Hudd reported for flying duties. Training was not carried out, most of the aircraft being boomed up, and the crews were ordered to stand by.		

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EASTMOOR	18.4.45.		Eighteen aircraft were detailed to attack Hell's Gash. All took off and sixteen aircraft bombed the primary. Aircraft "w" of No. 437 Squadron was flown by a No. 415 Squadron crew. Heavy flak was engaged to a light. Fighter activity nil. Visibility was excellent and crews reported bombing well concentrated. Aircraft "a" reports small flak hole in starboard wing and in mid upper turret, caused when aircraft near target exploded. Aircraft "c" brought back 1 x 1000 lbs. which hung up over target. Aircraft "d" jettisoned 1 x 1000 lbs. which hung up over target. Aircraft "e" jettisoned 1 x 200 lbs. which hung up in wing. Crews reported that the gas le was good. One screened flight engineer was posted to Dalton on a course for fourteen days. One leaderless crew was posted to No. 433 Squadron where they are to crew up with a pilot from that Squadron. No training was carried out to-day.		A.3109 - A.3106
EASTMOOR	19.4.45.		No operational commitments. The funeral of J.8601 P/O W. H. Porritt was held at 1000 hours at the R.A.F. Regional Cemetery at Paffrath. The members of the crew attended the funeral except the engineer and bomb aimer who are in hospital. A bearer party and supporting party was provided by this Squadron. A dance was held in the station cinema in aid of the eighth Canadian Victory Loan. A good time was had by all. Two new crews are being posted to this Squadron captained by J.9319 P/O G. B. Shott and by J.24318 P/O D. Kirkbride for flying duties. Notification from Air Ministry reclassifies 160196 P/O J. A. Galswood as being now safe in the United Kingdom. Training consisted of 6 crews carrying out cross country, fighter affiliation, bombing, H2S runs. Two crews completed cross country, H2S and fighter affiliation. One crew completed cross country bombing, and H2S bombing.		
EASTMOOR	20.4.45.		No operational commitments. Four members of J.8601 P/O W. H. Porritt were posted to Dalton for retraining. One new crew reported for flying duties captained by J.9117 P/O J. D. Galson. Training consisted of eight crews completing cross country bombing, one crew on cross country and one crew on fighter affiliation. One crew completed a night fighter affiliation and bombing.		
EASTMOOR	21.4.45.		No operational commitments. Training consisted of one crew being checked out on circuits and landings and one local flying. Three crews doing bombing, fighter affiliation, air to sea, H2S. Three crews on cross country bombing, fighter affiliation and air to sea. Two crews carried out fishpond and air to sea exercises. One screened air bomber and one screened air gunner were posted to R.C.A.F. "B" depot per 23.4.45. Seven crews also completed fighter affiliation, H2S and air to sea.		
EASTMOOR	22.4.45.		Sixteen crews detailed to attack Bremen. All took off and fifteen aircraft attacked the primary, but were ordered to "abandon mission" by the master bomber. Aircraft "x" was an early return due to starboard outer engine being unserviceable. Aircraft "y" landed at Carnaby owing to "A.S.I." being 1/2. Flak and fighter activity nil. 6 - 9/10ths cloud over target. The crews brought back their bomb load as briefed except aircraft "x" who jettisoned 10 x 500 lbs. safe to lighten aircraft when starboard outer engine failed on early return. Most crews report engine was loose and no leaks emitted by leaders until they had reached the pitch coast. Crews were feeling sorry they were forced to bring bomb load back. No training was carried out to-day. One pilot, two navigators, two wireless operators and one air gunner (screened) were posted to R.C.A.F. "B" depot w.e.f. 27.4.45.		A.3107 - A.3122

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EASTMOOR	23.4.45		No operational commitments. One crew posted to this squadron for operational duties captained by G.870 S/L O. E. Reurtrie. J.1443 P/O Lt. J. H. HALLIDAY D.F.C., Pilot and his two air gunners, and bomb aimer were screened to-day with thirty operational sorties and 115 points. One spare wireless operator and flight engineer were also screened with 29 and 27 operational sorties respectively. An air gunner with 27 trips was screened to-day. Training consisted of seven crews completing H2S, bombing, air to sea. One new crew was checked out.	
EASTMOOR	24.4.45		No operational commitments. Training consisted of six crews carrying out a gull-eye exercise at night. Six crews completed day cross country bombing. Fighter affiliation and air to sea. One screened bomb aimer was posted to R.C.A.F. "R" Depot.	
EASTMOOR	25.4.45		Nineteen aircraft were detailed to attack Wangerooze. Allcock off and nineteen aircraft attacked the primary. Weather was clear with slight haze. Plan was night. Fighter activity nil. Aircraft "x" reports a small hole in the starboard fin - cause unknown. Aircraft "yw" brought back 1 x 500 lbs. which hung up over target and could not be utilised. Aircraft "zw" reports flak hole 3" in diameter in starboard panel of mid-upper turret over the target area. Crews report bombing concentrated and appeared to be a successful attack. Training - nil due to operations.	A.3123 - A.3141
EASTMOOR	26.4.45		Fifteen aircraft detailed for operations, but this was later scrubbed. In the afternoon all crews reported to the Station Cinema where a film on air sea rescue was shown to them. A new crew reported for operational flying duties captained by G.3877 P/O G. H. G. G. G. G. G. The day was cloudy and no training was carried out. The fellows were off to work, taking advantage of a day off regardless of the weather.	
EASTMOOR	27.4.45		No operational commitments. Two crews were checked out on circuits and landings. Two crews completed fighter affiliation, bombing and air to sea. One crew completed fighter affiliation and air to sea. Ground training was extensively carried out in the radar section, crews trained in the dingy section and gunners put in some hours in turret manipulation and night vision. The rain prevented air training to-day. One screened air gunner is to be attached to our unit as full entertainment officer.	
EASTMOOR	28.4.45		No operational commitments. The R.C.A.F. show "Panama" was shown here to-night and a good attendance was observed. Training consisted of 1 crew carrying out cross country training, four crews doing fighter affiliation bombing and navigation exercise. One crew doing fighter affiliation, bombing. One crew carried out cross country exercise. One of our gunners who is now screened received his commission to-day, and the officers bar was well represented by our squadron in the evening. Mr. Massey, High Commissioner for Canada, and Mrs. Massey, visited our station to-day and attended a luncheon given in the officers mess.	
EASTMOOR	29.4.45		No operational commitments. Training was not carried out due to adverse weather. One pilot was repatriated to Canada on medical grounds. One crew captained by J.2156 P/O A. H. King were posted to No. 405 Squadron for pathfinder duties. A screened Navigator J.29336 P/O P. J. Tinevez was awarded the distinguished flying cross.	

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EASTMOOR	30.4.45.		<p>No operational commitments. A station wing parade was held, six squadrons, No. 432 Squadron being No. 1 Squadron. Considering the fact that our aircrew personnel have had little instruction or training in drill procedures the parade went off very well and was a very impressive sight. The weather has turned very cold. There was snow on the ground this morning and water on the runway was frozen. J.4295 P/O Yachon M.G., Navigator, who went missing on the 15th March, 1945, visited the Squadron to-day. Their aircraft was hit by falling incendiaries. As far as he knows the rest of the crew with the possible exception of the pilot bailed out and should be safe. P/O Yachon bailed out and was a prisoner of war for a few days before being released by the advancing allies.</p> <p>CASUALTIES: J.86081 P/O Perritt W. H. (Pilot) crashed on non-operational take off. 16.4.45.</p> <p>MOVEMENTS: Postings in:</p>		
			J.35421 P/O DeMarco F.V. IPR (A/B) posted from No. 428 (RCAP) Squadron w/e		1.4.45.
			J.43185 P/O Deplar G.M. (Pilot) " " " " " " " " " "		2.4.45.
			J.43221 P/O Deasey F.L. (Nav) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.44265 P/O Cameron G.J. (A/B) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			R163382 P/O Greer G.J. (W/E/AG) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.48273 P/O Robertson J.K. (P/B) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.46051 P/O Stacy J.S. (A/C) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.44703 P/O Hulin W.A. (A/C) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.27836 P/L Bugslag V.G. (Pilot) " " " " " " " " " "		11.4.45.
			J.43381 P/O Barrett H. (Nav) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			R252559 SGT Blaw R.H. (A/B) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			R253134 SGT Lord R.R. (W/E/AG) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.43263 P/O Fisher G.R. (P/S) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			R281346 SGT Boles K.O. (A/C) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			R290489 W/E Galegher P. (A/B) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.43208 P/O Breeze N.H. (Pilot) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.43319 P/O Burn A.C. (Nav) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.41239 P/O Trickett G.H. (A/B) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			R192776 P/O Dunstall H.A. (W/E/AG) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.4.268 P/O Miller K.L. (P/B) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			R200780 SGT Pickram R.C. (A/C) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			R217289 SGT Cohen J. (A/B) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.43681 P/O Perritt W.H. (Pilot) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.43596 P/O Burns J.W. (Nav) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.40935 P/O Reid W.M. (A/B) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			R183422 SGT Cohen T. (W/E/AG) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			R288750 SGT Davidson K. (P/S) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.45220 P/O Jorgensen L.H. (A/C) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.45212 P/O Grey J.E. (A/C) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			134614 P/L Reid A.G.H. (RAF) (Pilot) " " " " " " " " " "		17.4.45.
			R252397 P/S Macmillan M.G.T. (Nav) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			J.41319 P/O Howe R.F. (A/B) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			R198699 P/S Grant A.E. (W/E/AG) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			R112988 SGT Williams G. (RAF) (P/B) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			R278956 SGT Egan R. (A/C) " " " " " " " " " "		"
			R471022 SGT Munro H.L. (A/B) " " " " " " " " " "		"

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			J. 32933 P/O Flightman L.S. (pilot) Posted from no. 76 (RCAF) base wef		14.4.45.
			R214845 P/O Blake D.E. (Nav)		"
			J. 43331 P/O " " (A/B)		"
			R222949 SGT Macmillan R.W. (WOP/AG)		"
			4820370 SGT Proudlock J. (RAF) (P/E)		"
			R183507 P/S Robinson L.R. (A/G)		"
			J. 46626 P/O Munson J.W. (A/G)		"
			J. 51190 P/O Shott G.S. (Pilot)		20.4.45.
			J. 44082 P/O Watkins W.K. (Nav)		"
			J. 40438 P/O Daynard R. (A/B)		"
			R259336 P/S Jensen A.W. (WOP/AG)		"
			R287115 SGT Rice R.W. (P/S)		"
			R112003 SGT Corbett J.S. (A/G)		"
			R278051 SGT Christwhite W. (A/G)		"
			J. 44318 P/O Kirkbride D. (Pilot)		"
			J. 44322 P/O James G.R. (Nav)		"
			J. 45794 P/O Valliere A.A.L. (A/B)		"
			J. 46332 P/O Whitworth H. (WOP/AG)		"
			C. 15183 P/O McLaughley J.P. (P/S)		"
			R284977 SGT Connors R.L. (A/G)		"
			R264135 SGT Carrere J.L.H. (A/G)		"
			J. 51117 P/O SALMON L.S. (Pilot)		"
			R266071 SGT Smith D. (Nav)		"
			R157042 SGT Smith A. (A/B)		"
			R196666 SGT Machay J.H. (WOP/AG)		"
			R276356 SGT Cann H.T.S. (P/S)		"
			R257521 SGT Coles M. (A/G)		"
			R271157 SGT Butt W.G. (A/G)		"
			C. 870 S/L McMurtrie G.S. (Pilot) No. 76 (RCAF) base wef		25.4.45.
			J. 442706 P/O Gillespie T.S. (Nav)		"
			J. 44605 P/O Brown G.J. (A/B)		"
			R261526 SGT Slater T.G. (WOP/AG)		"
			1963231 SGT Williamson R.P. (RAF) (P/S)		"
			R278869 P/S Macdonald J. (A/B)		"
			R290478 P/S Judge W.L. (A/G)		"
			J. 38377 P/O Quinlan M. (Pilot) No. 76 (RCAF) base wef		26.4.45.
			J. 43400 P/O Parry J.O. (Nav)		"
			J. 43343 P/O Truscott G.H. (A/B)		"
			J. 44646 P/O Mooney J.S. (WOP/AG)		"
			R120190 SGT Pierce E.R. (P/S)		"
			R267505 P/S Williamson R.W. (A/G)		"
			R274329 P/S Peacock H. (A/G)		"

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	J. 28240	P/O	Stoick G.L. (NAV) posted to R.C.A.F. "R" Depot waf		3.4.45.
	J. 36911	P/O	Hans G.L. (NAV) " " " " " "		2.4.45.
	J. 39392	P/O	MacLennan D.P. (W/P/AG) " " " " " "		
	J. 27121	P/O	Polinas T.G. (A/B) " " " " " "		No. 1659 con. unit
	187962	P/O	Partridge K.A. (RAF) (P/S) " " " " " "		A.C.A.C. " " " "
	1895243	Sgt	Burgess R. (RAF) (P/S) " " " " " "		3.4.45.
	G. 32269	A/W/L	Patterson H.E. (Pilot) " " " " " "		R.C.A.F. "R" Depot
	189484	A/O	Yard W.L. (NAV) " " " " " "		
	J. 38251	P/O	Doherty J.W. (A/B) " " " " " "		
	J. 29872	P/O	Duncan R.A. (W/P/AG) " " " " " "		
	J. 29055	P/O	Goswami D.I. (W/P/AG) " " " " " "		
	J. 87536	A/W/L	Sherlock G.T. (Pilot) " " " " " "		
	J. 22339	P/O	Seehuber R.P. (A/B) " " " " " "		
	J. 2754	P/O	Jeffrey H.J. (A/G) " " " " " "		
	J. 22112	P/O	Augustine A.J. (A/O) " " " " " "		
	1562280	P/S	Young J.A. (RAF) (P/S) " " " " " "		A.C.A.C. " " " "
	J. 35776	P/O	Harrison J.P. (A/B) " " " " " "		No. 1659 con. unit
	G. 89491	P/O	Balbeek A.A. (A/O) " " " " " "		No. 1666 con. unit
	J. 45596	P/O	Burns J.H. (NAV) " " " " " "		No. 76 (RAF) base
	J. 40255	P/O	Reid W.H. (A/B) " " " " " "		
	183322	Sgt	Cohen B. (W/P/AG) " " " " " "		
	J. 45220	P/O	Jorgensen L.R. (A/O) " " " " " "		
	J. 45212	P/O	Grey J.P. (A/B) " " " " " "		
	J. 2573	A/W/L	Proud R. (Pilot) " " " " " "		R.C.A.F. "R" Depot
	J. 38375	P/O	Balkinar H.M. (NAV) " " " " " "		
	J. 2682	P/O	McInnes A.D. (W/P/AG) " " " " " "		
	J. 29088	P/O	Reid G.J. (W/P/AG) " " " " " "		
	J. 21160	P/O	Taylor L.D. (A/O) " " " " " "		
	J. 26682	P/O	Lunny K.U. (NAV) " " " " " "		
	R. 16373	P/S	Anderson H.A. (NAV) " " " " " "		No. 455 (RAF) Sqdn
	R. 35767	P/O	McLaren B.G. (A/B) " " " " " "		
	J. 21243	P/O	Bike L.A. (W/P/AG) " " " " " "		
	1595435	Sgt	Lewis G.A. (RAF) (P/S) " " " " " "		
	R. 29004	P/S	Crane J.W. (A/O) " " " " " "		
	R. 29004	P/S	Alexander J. (A/O) " " " " " "		
	R. 21867	P/S	Franklin F.J. (A/O) " " " " " "		R.C.A.F. "R" Depot
	J. 38796	P/O	McGowan J.L. (A/B) " " " " " "		
	R. 27482	P/S	Hovos G.J. (A/O) " " " " " "		
	R. 1643	A/O	Bastien J.A.E. (W/P/AG) " " " " " "		12.4.45.
	J. 23343	P/O	Foley R.H. (A/B) " " " " " "		20.4.45.
	J. 26088	P/O	Parsons J.G. (Pilot) " " " " " "		27.4.45.
	J. 28059	P/O	Ward G.A. (W/P/AG) " " " " " "		30.4.45.
	R. 68750	Sgt	Davison R.H. (P/S) " " " " " "		No. 62 (RAF) base

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Place	Date	Time	Summary of Events	References to Appendix
			POSTINGS OUTS (contd).	
			J.42150 P/O King A.E. (pilot) posted to No. 405 (RCAF) Sqdn w/ef	28.4.45.
			J.42393 P/O Wallace J.H. (pilot) " " " " " "	"
			J.42095 P/O Waldron T.S. (A/S) " " " " " "	"
			R252274 SGT Dickson A.F.S. (WOP/AD) " " " " " "	"
			3031709 SGT Stone J. (RAF W/S) " " " " " "	"
			R277929 SGT Stimpola F.E. (A/S) " " " " " "	"
			R175116 SGT Wright J.L. (A/S) " " " " " "	"
			PROMOTIONS:	
			J.28102 P/O Loppa I.W.W. (pilot) appointed to the rank of A/S/L w/ef 25.3.45.	
			J.87225 P/O Sherlock G.T. (pilot) appointed to the rank of A/S/L w/ef 25.3.45.	
			G.35269 P/O Patterson H.W. (pilot) appointed to the rank of A/S/L w/ef 25.3.45.	
			C.43786 P/O Gregory W.P. (pilot) appointed to the rank of A/S/L w/ef 15.3.45.	
			J.92979 P/O Proud W.P. (pilot) appointed to the rank of A/S/L w/ef 15.3.45.	
			J.90510 P/O Bain J. K. (pilot) appointed to the rank of A/S/L w/ef 1.4.45.	
			J.93020 P/O Daly J.J. (pilot) appointed to the rank of A/S/L w/ef 1.4.45.	
			J.41101 P/O Paul J. S. (pilot) appointed to the rank of A/S/L w/ef 1.4.45.	
			J.90506 P/O Allen S. J. (pilot) appointed to the rank of A/S/L w/ef 1.4.45.	
			J.90230 P/O Bigland J.B. (pilot) appointed to the rank of A/S/L w/ef 1.4.45.	
			J.17865 P/O Martindale R.A. (pilot) appointed to the rank of A/S/L w/ef 1.4.45.	
			J.05017 P/O Kinniburgh J. (pilot) appointed to the rank of A/S/L w/ef 1.4.45.	
			CHANGES IN COMMAND: Nil.	
			CHANGES IN ADMINISTRATION: Nil.	
			COMMISSIONS:	
			304030 SGT Northmore J. W. (195712) 7.3.45;	1328603 SGT Cooke D.H. (196116) 4.3.45;
			R212046 P/S Alwood J.W. (J.94298) 20.1.45;	R258072 P/S Nielsen M.E. (J.94369) 26.2.45;
			R255590 P/S Hugin B.R. (J.94366) 10.3.45;	R273079 P/S Orser G.H. (J.94381) 26.2.45;
			R267079 P/S Bawlick M. (J.94537) 11.2.45.	
			AIRCRAFT ON CHARGE: 21 Halifax VII.	
			OPERATIONAL FLYING HOURS:	
			DAY: 257.33	NIGHT: 405.44
			DAY: 586.44	NIGHT: 2016
			NUMBER OF OPERATIONAL HOURS DURING THE MONTH: 116.	
			BOMBS DROPPED FROM 1.1.45 TO 31.3.45.	
			H.B. (Tons) 1145	T.M.D. (Tons) 1082 clusters No. 14.
				349 clusters No. 15.
				231 clusters No. 17.
			BOMBS DROPPED DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL 1945.	
			354	
			NO. OF COMBATS WITH THE ENEMY. (See Appendix Nos. 13 to 15 (incl.))	

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			<p>Operations for the month were not extensive, seven only being carried out. These were all successful and no crews were lost during April. On the 16th April, one of our aircraft crashed on take-off and burned. The pilot did not escape and was killed. The remainder of the crew have been posted to Dalton to pick up a pilot.</p> <p>Six crews were screened during the month and eleven new crews reported on posting. Included in the new crews was one piloted by C.870 S/L G. M. McGuire, who has taken over the flight, the commander of which was screened.</p> <p>The Eighth Victory Loan was very successful and the Squadron exceeded its quota.</p> <p>Health and morale excellent.</p>																										
			<p style="text-align: right;"><i>M. J. Francis</i> (M. J. FRANCIS) Wing Commander, commanding, NO. 432 (R.C.A.F.) Squadron.</p>																										

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