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WITCHFORD.	3rd Aug. 1944.		OPERATIONS (continued)		
		11.50	A/C.B.MD.927. W/O. ELLISON, T.	and crew took off for operations.	
		50	A/C.C.HK.578. F/O. D. CULVER.	do. do.	
		12.20.	A/C.D.LL.880. F/O. J.W. DAVIDSON (J.26633 - R.C.A.F.).	do. do.	
			A/C.F.HK.555. F/O. D.G. BURGESS.	do. do.	
			A/C.G.ME.718. F/O. J. CUNNINGHAM.	do. do.	
			A/C.H.IM.127. F/L. T.W. MILLER (AUS.423812 - R.A.A.F.).	do. do.	
			A/C.L.HK.565. F/O. P.F. WARD.	do. do.	
			A/C.H.LL.935. F/L.W.C. BELYEA.	do. do.	
			A/C.P.HK.541. F/O.P.W. BICKFORD (J.85290 - R.C.A.F.).	do. do.	
			A/C.Q.HK.549. F/O. D. HILL (J.25798 - R.C.A.F.).	do. do.	
			A/C.U.HK.544. F/O. A.C. ALLDRIDGE (J.27724 - R.C.A.F.).	do. do.	
			A/C.V.ME.756. F/O. J. OLDHAM.	do. do.	
			A/C.S.HD.900. F/L.D. BILKES.	do. do.	
			A/C.J.HD.805. F/O.D. JOHNSTON (J.25407 - R.C.A.F.).	do. do.	
			A/C.X.ME.166. W/O. SHAPLEY, V.	do. do.	
			A/C.D.ME.803. F/O. J.G. SUTHERLAND (AUS.415194 - R.A.A.F.).	do. do.	
			A/C.E.HK.551. S/L. W.D. MARTIN.	do. do.	
			A/C.F.HK.556. W/O. HOLDER, D. (NZ.421053 - R.N.Z.A.F.).	do. do.	
			A/C.B.HK.579. F/O. H.D. FULMER.	do. do.	
			A/C.C.ME.836. W/O. W.G. DEVAS. AFC.	do. do.	
			A/C.C.ME.692. F/O. A.J. MUIR (NZ.422307 - R.N.Z.A.F.).	do. do.	
			BOMB LOAD.		
			The above aircraft carried 242 x 1,000 lb. AN.M.65 bombs and 88 x 500 lb. G.P. bombs.		
			22 Aircraft (8 from "A" Flt. 7 from "B" Flt. & 7 from "C" Flt.) were detailed to attack BOIS DE GASSAN, L'ISLE D'ADAM and took off between 11.50 hours and 12.20 hours. All identified the target visually and by P.F. flares and chiefly bombed the centre of smoke, as instructed by Master Bomber, from heights ranging between 15,800 feet and 18,000 feet. Bombing was very accurate and well concentrated. The whole target area was soon obliterated by smoke. Photographs were attempted. One aircraft sustained damage to starboard wing due to flak.		
		15.47.	All the aircraft had returned safely to base after operations.		
	4th Aug. 1944.		There was no FLYING TRAINING today.		

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WITCHFORD	4th Aug., 1944		OPERATIONS (DAYLIGHT) OF 4th AUGUST, 1944 - TARGET - BEC D'AMBES.		3
		13.27	A/C.A.HK.595 S/L.W.J. McVETTRIDGE and crew took off for operations.		
		to	A/C.B.ND.927 W/O. ANDREWARTHA, C. do. do.		
		13.55	A/C.C.HK.578 F/O. J. CUNNINGHAM do. do.		
			A/C.F.HK.555 F/S. LEMOINE, R. do. do.		
			A/C.G.ME.718 F/O.E. CHAFFERTON (J.24313 - R.C.A.F.) do. do.		
			A/C.H.IM.127 F/O.J.W. DAVIDSON (J.26633 - R.C.A.F.) do. do.		
			A/C.L.HK.565 F/S.MORGAN, J. do. do.		
			A/C.M.LL.935 F/O.A. J. MUIR (NZ.422307 - R.N.Z.A.F.) do. do.		
			A/C.S.ND.900 F/L.W.C. BELYEA do. do.		
			A/C.T.PB.127 S/L.W.J. SMITH do. do.		
			A/C.V.ME.756 F/O.J. OLDHAM do. do.		
			A/C.U.HK.544 F/O.A.C. ALLDRIDGE (J.27724 - R.C.A.F.) do. do.		
			A/C.Y.IM.166 W/O. SHAPLEY, V. do. do.		
			A/C.B.HK.579 F/O.F.A. STECHMAN do. do.		
			A/C.D.ME.803 F/O.A.J. OSBORNE do. do.		
			A/C.E.HK.551 F/O.A.E. SWEENEY do. do.		
			A/C.F.HK.556 W/O. HOLDER, D. (NZ.421053 - R.N.Z.A.F.) do. do.		
			A/C.C.ME.836 F/S. BRAUN, H. (R.156079 - R.C.A.F.) do. do.		
			A/C.J.HD.805 F/O.P. FRANKLAND do. do.		
			A/C.G.ME.692 F/S. COOPER, R. do. do.		
			BOMB LOAD.		
			The above aircraft carried 160 x 1,000lb AN.M.65 bombs & 48 x 500lb G.P. bombs.		
			20 aircraft were detailed to attack BEC D'AMBES and took off between 13.27 hours and 13.55 hours. All identified the target visually and bombed the oil tanks from heights ranging between 6,000 feet and 9,000 feet. Bombing was well concentrated and large oil tanks were hit. At least 8 large explosions were observed soon after bombing and fires with smoke rising many thousand feet were seen. A vessel, which appeared to be a destroyer, was alongside jetty in North End tip and was seen to be hit in stern. Smoke was observed coming from it. Photographs were attempted.		
		21.30	All the aircraft had returned safely to base after operations.		
	5th Aug., 1944		There was no FLYING TRAINING today.		
			OPERATIONS (DAYLIGHT) OF 5th AUGUST, 1944 - TARGET - BORDEAUX/BASSENS.		4
		14.15	A/C.A.HK.595 F/O.D. CULVER and crew took off for operations.		
		to	A/C.B.ND.927 W/O. ELLISON, T. do. do.		
		14.35	A/C.C.HK.578 F/L. T.W. MILLER (AUS.423812-RCAF) do. do.		

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WITCHFORD	5th Aug., 1944		OPERATIONS (continued) A/C.F.HK.555 F/O.P.F.WARD and crew took off for operations. A/C.H.IM.127 W/O.ANDREWARTHA,C. do. do. A/C.J.HH.616 F/O.G.B.HOCKEY do. do. (AUS.422183 - R.A.A.F.) A/C.Y.IM.166 F/S.FRANK,W. do. do. A/C.N.LL.935 F/S.BERKELEY,N. do. do. A/C.U.HK.544 F/O.A.C.ALLDRIDGE do. do. (I.27724 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.S.ND.900 P/O.A.J.MUIR do. do. (NZ.422307 - R.N.Z.A.F.) A/C.V.ME.756 W/O.LEGGETT,T. do. do. A/C.W.PB.131 F/O.B.JOHNSTON do. do. (J.25407 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.Z.LL.944 F/O.P.W.BICKFORD do. do. (I.25920 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.T.PB.127 F/L.D.G.BELYEA do. do. A/C.B.HK.579 F/O.F.A.STECHMAN do. do. A/C.C.ME.836 F/S.PERRY,J. do. do. A/C.D.ME.805 F/L.J.C.SUTHERLAND do. do. (AUS.415194 - R.A.A.F.) A/C.E.HK.551 F/O.A.E.SWEENEY do. do. A/C.F.HK.556 F/O.P.C.BROWN do. do. (NZ.414339 - R.N.Z.A.F.) A/C.G.ME.692 F/S.COOPER,R. do. do. A/C.J.ND.805 F/O.N.D.FULLER do. do.		
			BOMB LOAD. The above named aircraft carried 168 x 1,000lb AN.M65 bombs and 50 x 500lb G.P. bombs. 22 aircraft were detailed to attack BORDEAUX/BASSEES, but one failed to take off due to engine troubles. 21 aircraft took off between 14.15 hours and 14.35 hours. 1 aircraft was forced to abandon the sortie due to excessive port wing low and returned to base early after jettisoning live part of his bomb load. The remainder identified the target visually and bombed either yellow indicator markers or fires, as instructed by Master Bomber, from heights ranging between 3,500 feet and 15,000 feet. Bombing was well concentrated and oil tanks were seen burning. Many large oil explosions were observed followed by flames and smoke rising many thousand feet. The destroyer at REC D'AMBES was seen badly charred and down at stern. Photographs were attempted.		
		22,23	All the aircraft had returned safely to base.		
	6th Aug., 1944		There were no OPERATIONS or FLYING TRAINING today and nothing of interest occurred.		

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WITCHFORD	7th Aug., 1944		There was no FLYING TRAINING today.		
			OPERATIONS NIGHT OF 7th/8th AUGUST, 1944 - TARGET - MARE DE MAGNE.		5
		21.40 to 21.59	A/C.A.HK.595 F/O.J.W.DAVIDSON and crew took off for operations. (J.26633 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.B.ND.927 F/S.LEMOINE,R. do. do. A/C.C.HK.578 F/O.J.CUNNINGHAM do. do. A/C.F.HK.555 F/O.P.F.WARD do. do. A/C.J.HK.598 F/O.G.B.HOCKEY do. do. (AUS.422183 - R.A.A.F.) A/C.L.HK.565 F/S.MORGAN,J. do. do. A/C.P.HK.541 F/S.BERKELEY,N. do. do. A/C.S.ND.900 P/O.A.J.MUIR do. do. (NZ.422307 - R.N.Z.A.F.) A/C.T.PB.127 F/L.B.FOIKES do. do. A/C.V.ME.756 W/O.LEGGETT,T. do. do. A/C.W.PB.131 F/O.B.JOHNSTON do. do. (J.25407 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.Z.LL.944 F/O.B.HILL do. do. (J.25798 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.Y.IM.166 Sgt.BODEN,J. do. do. A/C.A.ND.758 S/L.W.D.MARTIN do. do. A/C.B.HK.579 F/O.F.A.STECHMAN do. do. A/C.D.ME.803 F/L.J.C.SUTHERLAND do. do. (AUS.415194 - R.A.A.F.) A/C.G.ME.692 F/O.P.FRANKLAND do. do. A/C.K.HK.560 F/O.P.C.BROWN do. do. (NZ.414339 - R.N.Z.A.F.)		
			BOMB LOAD. The above aircraft carried 198 x 1,000lb M.C., & 72 x 500lb G.P. bombs. 26 aircraft were detailed to attack MARE DE MAGNE and took off between 21.40 hours and 21.59 hours. All identified the target by P.F. flares and bombed the red indicator markers from heights ranging between 7,000 feet and 9,400 feet. Attack was well concentrated and many fires were seen, the smoke from them covering the whole target area. There was a high artillery barrage from our lines. An aircraft was seen falling over the target area. Photographs were attempted.		
	8th August, 1944	01.22	All the aircraft had returned safely to base after operations.		
			There was no FLYING TRAINING today.		
			OPERATIONS NIGHT OF 8th/9th AUGUST, 1944 - TARGET - FORET DE LUCHEUX.		6
		21.45 to 22.15	A/C.A.HK.595 S/L.W.J.MCCREIDIDGE and crew took off for operations. A/C.B.ND.927 F/O.D.G.BURGESS do. do. A/C.C.HK.578 F/L.T.W.MILLER do. do. (AUS.423812 - R.A.A.F.)		

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WITCHFORD	8th Aug., 1944		OPERATIONS (continued) A/C.D.II.880 F/O.J.CUNNINGHAM and crew took off for operations. A/C.G.ME.718 F/O.S.GARSDIE do. do. A/C.J.HK.598 F/O.G.B.HOCKEY (A.4221B3) do. do. A/C.K.HK.599 F/O.D.CULVER do. do. A/C.L.HK.565 F/S.MORGAN,J. do. do. A/C.F.HK.555 F/B.C.MOBRIDE do. do. A/C.T.PB.127 S/L.W.J.SMITH do. do. A/C.Y.II.166 W/O.LEGGETT,T. do. do. A/C.V.ME.756 F/L.W.G.BELYEA do. do. A/C.Q.HK.549 F/O.D.HILL do. do. (J.25798 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.U.HK.544 F/S.BERKELEY,N. do. do. A/C.N.II.935 F/S.ROBERTSON,J. do. do. A/C.Z.II.944 F/O.P.W.BICKFORD do. do. (J.25920 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.W.PB.131 Sgt.BODEN,J. do. do. A/C.H.HK.551 F/O.A.E.SWEENEY do. do. A/C.F.HK.556 W/O.HOLDER,D. do. do. (NZ.421053 - R.N.Z.A.F.) A/C.C.ME.836 F/O.J.THORNTON do. do. A/C.A.MD.758 S/L.W.D.MARTIN do. do. A/C.B.HK.579 F/O.A.T.DUGDALE do. do. A/C.D.ME.803 F/S.FERRY,J. do. do. A/C.G.ME.892 F/S.COOPER,R. do. do. A/C.K.HK.560 F/S.WADHAM,B. do. do.		
			BOMB LOAD The above aircraft carried 450 x 500lb G.P. bombs. 25 aircraft were detailed to attack FORET DE LUCHEUX and took off between 21.45 hours and 22.15 hours. One aircraft (Y.II.166 - Captain W/O.LEGGETT,T.) failed to return from operations - no news being received. The remainder identified the target visually by light of flares and bombed chiefly green indicator markers or fires, as instructed by Master Bomber, from heights ranging between 8,000 feet and 13,000 feet. Bombing was well concentrated and many bomb bursts were seen in wood followed by explosions from oil tanks and numerous fires with black smoke rising to many thousand feet. There was much searchlight activity and one aircraft (Q.HK.549 - Captain F/O.D.HILL) successfully evaded a cone on way back after being held by diving from 8,000 feet to 5,000 feet. Intercommunication became unserviceable during the dive and when it became serviceable again, it was found that the Rear gunner (Sgt.BARR,R.) had baled out. Photographs were attempted.		
	9th Aug., 1944	01.45	24 aircraft had returned to base safely after operations. There was no FLYING TRAINING today.		

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			BOMB LOAD The above aircraft carried 182 x 1,000lb AN.M.65 bombs and 98 x 1,000lb AN.M.59 bombs. 20 aircraft were detailed to attack FORT D'ENGLOS and took off between 21.50 hours and 22.23 hours. One aircraft was forced to abandon the sortie due to starboard inner engine being unserviceable and returned to base early after jettisoning part of his bomb load safe and bringing back the remainder. The other 19 aircraft identified the target by means of red, green and yellow indicator markers, on which they bombed, as instructed by Master Bomber, from heights ranging between 12,000 feet and 14,000 feet. Bombing appeared to be rather scattered and little results were seen due to smoke. An orange explosion was seen at 23.18 hours as well as two fairly large reddish fires. Photographs were attempted.		7
	10th Aug., 1944	00.40	All the aircraft had returned safely to base. There was no FLYING TRAINING TODAY. There were no OPERATIONS today and nothing of interest occurred.		
	11th Aug., 1944		There was no FLYING TRAINING today.		

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WITCHFORD	11th Aug., 1944		OPERATIONS (DAYLIGHT) OF 11th AUGUST, 1944 - TARGET - LENS.		8
		14.05 to 14.30	A/C.B.ND.927 F/O.P.F.WARD and crew took off for operations. A/C.C.HK.578 F/L.W.W.MILLER (AUS.423812 - R.A.A.F.) do. do. A/C.D.LL.880 F/S.LEMOINE,R. do. do. A/C.F.HK.555 F/O.D.G.BURGESS do. do. A/C.G.ME.718 F/O.J.W.DAVIDSON (J.26633 - R.C.A.F.) do. do. A/C.H.IM.127 F/O.D.CULVER do. do. A/C.J.HK.598 F/O.J.CUNNINGHAM do. do. A/C.K.HK.599 S/L.W.J.MOFFERIDGE do. do. A/C.L.HK.565 F/S.MORGAN,J. do. do. A/C.N.LL.935 F/S.ROBERTSON,J. do. do. A/C.P.HK.541 F/L.D.G.BELYEA do. do. A/C.Q.HK.549 F/L.D.HILL (J.25798 - R.C.A.F.) do. do. A/C.S.ND.900 F/L.C.MCBRIDE do. do. A/C.T.PB.127 S/L.W.J.SMITH do. do. A/C.U.HK.544 F/S.BODEN,J. do. do. A/C.V.ME.756 F/S.BERKLEY,N. do. do. A/C.W.PB.131 F/L.B.JOHNSTON (J.25407 - R.C.A.F.) do. do. A/C.Z.LL.944 F/O.P.W.BICKFORD (J.25920 - R.C.A.F.) do. do. A/C.A.ND.758 F/S.WADHAM,B. do. do. A/C.B.HK.579 F/O.P.G.BROWN (NZ.414839 - R.N.Z.A.F.) do. do. A/C.C.ME.836 F/O.J.THORNTON do. do. A/C.D.ME.803 F/O.F.A.SIECHMAN do. do. A/C.E.HK.551 F/O.A.E.SWEENEY do. do. A/C.G.ME.692 F/S.COOPER,R. do. do. A/C.H.HK.546 F/S.FERRY,J. do. do. A/C.J.ND.805 F/O.P.FRANKLAND do. do. A/C.K.HK.560 F/O.A.T.DUNFORD do. do.		
			BOMB LOAD. The above aircraft carried 297 x 1,000lb AN.M65 bombs & 108 x 500lb G.P. bombs. 26 aircraft were detailed to attack LENS but one failed to take off due to engine trouble. The remainder took off between 14.05 hours and 14.30 hours and all identified the target visual of yards and railway lines, and bombed red, yellow and green indicator markers or smoke, as instructed by Master Bomber, from heights ranging between 13,600 feet and 16,000 feet. Bombing was well concentrated and many bomb bursts were seen on bridge over canal and on railway lines. A dull red explosion was seen at 15.32 hours followed by many fires with much smoke. A body was seen to fall without parachute from a Lancaster aircraft, which had been hit by bombs. Photographs were attempted.		
		18.00	All the aircraft had returned safely to base after operations.		

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WITCHFORD	12th Aug., 1944		There was no FLYING TRAINING today.		
			OPERATION NIGHT OF 12th/13th AUGUST, 1944 - TARGET - BRUNSWICK		9
		21.43 to 22.10	A/C.B.ND.927 F/O.G.B.HOCKEY and crew took off for operations. (AUS.422183 - R.A.A.F.) do. do. A/C.D.LL.880 F/S.LEMOINE,R. do. do. A/C.C.ME.718 F/L.S.GARSDIE do. do. A/C.W.PB.131 F/O.D.G.BURGESS do. do. A/C.N.LL.935 W/O.SHAPLEY,V. do. do. A/C.S.ND.900 F/L.C.MCBRIDE do. do. A/C.T.PB.127 F/L.D.G.BELYEA do. do. A/C.V.ME.756 F/O.A.J.MUIR (NZ.422307 - R.N.Z.A.F.) do. do. A/C.A.ND.758 S/L.W.D.MARTIN do. do. A/C.C.ME.836 F/O.J.THORNTON do. do. A/C.D.ME.803 F/O.A.E.SWEENEY do. do. A/C.G.ME.892 F/S.COOPER,R. do. do. A/C.J.ND.805 F/O.P.FRANKLAND do. do. A/C.Z.LL.944 F/S.WADHAM,B. do. do.		
			BOMB LOAD. The above aircraft carried 14 x 2,000lb H.C. bombs and 2,352 x 30lb "J" C.P. bombs. 14 aircraft were detailed to attack BRUNSWICK and took off between 21.43 hours and 22.10 hours. 2 aircraft (B.ND.927 - Captain F/O.G.B.HOCKEY and T.PB.127 - Captain F/L.D.G.BELYEA) failed to return from operations - no news being received. 4 aircraft were forced to abandon the sortie, 2 due to engine failure and the other 2 due to complete intercommunication failure and failure of rear gunner's electrical heating circuit respectively and all returned to base early after jettisoning live all or part of their bomb load. The remainder located the target either by glow of fires or by H2S and estimated time of arrival by D.R. navigation, and bombed from heights ranging between 18,000 feet and 21,000 feet. Bombing was rather scattered at first but became more concentrated as the raid progressed. 2 explosions, one a very large one at 00.07 hours, were seen. Built up area was seen on fire through gap in cloud. An aircraft was seen shot down over target area. Photographs were attempted.		
			OPERATIONS NIGHT OF 12th/13th AUGUST, 1944 - TARGET - RUSSELSHEIM		11
		21.54 to 22.10	A/C.F.HK.555 F/O.J.CUNNINGHAM and crew took off for operations A/C.J.HK.598 F/O.P.F.WARD do. do. A/C.C.HK.578 F/L.W.W.MILLER (AUS.423812 - R.A.A.F.) do. do. A/C.K.HK.599 F/O.D.CULVER do. do. A/C.L.HK.565 F/S.MORGAN,J. do. do. A/C.Q.HK.549 F/S.BERKLEY,N. do. do. A/C.E.HK.551 F/O.A.T.DUGDALE do. do.		

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WITCHFORD	12th Aug., 1944		<p>OPERATIONS (continued)</p> <p>A/C.H.HK.546 F/O.F.A. STECHMAN and crew took off for operations. A/C.B.HK.579 F/O.P.G. BROWN do. do. (NZ.414839 - R.N.Z.A.F.)</p> <p>BOMB LOAD</p> <p>The above aircraft carried 9 x 4,000lb H.C., 9,000 x 4lb "TJ" cluster, and 2,700 x 4lb Incands.</p> <p>9 aircraft were detailed to attack RUSSELSHEIM and took off between 21.54 hours and 22.10 hours. 1 aircraft was forced to abandon the sortie due to complete failure of oxygen supply and returned to base early after jettisoning his bomb load live. The remainder identified the target by P.F. flares and bombed the red & green indicator markers, as instructed by the Master Bomber, from heights ranging between 15,000 feet and 18,000 feet. It was too early in attack to assess results but bombing appeared to be rather scattered. Many scattered fires were seen with plenty of smoke. 1 aircraft was attacked by an F.W.199 and opened fire. Enemy aircraft was claimed as hit. Another pilot reported that an F.W.190 was seen shot down. Photographs were attempted.</p>		
	13th Aug., 1944		<p>OPERATIONS NIGHT OF 12th/13th August, 1944 - TARGET - FALAISE</p> <p>00.40 A/C.H.IM.127 F/L.B. JOHNSON and crew took off for operations. (J.25407 - R.C.A.F.) do. do. A/C.F.HK.556 F/O.P.W. BICKFORD do. do. (J.25920 - R.C.A.F.) do. do.</p> <p>BOMB LOAD</p> <p>The above aircraft carried 22 x 1,000lb G.P. and 8 x 500lb M.C. bombs.</p> <p>Two aircraft were detailed to attack FALAISE and took off at 00.40 hours. Both identified the target by P.F. flares and bombed the red indicator markers from heights of 8,000 feet and 8,400 feet respectively. Bombing appeared to be well concentrated. One combat was seen. Photographs were attempted.</p> <p>02.45 All the aircraft had returned safely to base from the attack on RUSSELSHEIM. 02.55 12 aircraft had returned safely to base from the attack on BRUNSWICK. 03.30 Both aircraft had returned safely to base from the attack on FALAISE.</p> <p>There was no FLYING TRAINING today. There were no OPERATIONS today and nothing of interest occurred.</p>		10
	14th Aug., 1944		<p>There was no FLYING TRAINING today.</p> <p>OPERATIONS (DAYLIGHT) OF 14th AUGUST, 1944 - TARGET - HAMEL</p>		12

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WITCHFORD	14th Aug., 1944		<p>OPERATIONS (cont.)</p> <p>13.49 A/C.A.G.DLL. 880 F/S. LEMOINE R. and crew took off for operations. to A/C.H.IM.127 F/L.S. GARSIDE do. do. 14.15 A/C.C.HK.578 F/L.T.W. MILLER do. do. (AUS.423812 - R.A.A.F.) A/C.J.HK.598 F/O.J.W. DAVIDSON do. do. (J.26633 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.L.HK.565 F/S.MORGAN, J. do. do. A/C.G.ME.718 F/O.P.F. WARD do. do. A/C.F.HK.555 F/O.D. CULVER do. do. A/C.N.LL.935 F/S.BODEN, J. do. do. A/C.Q.HK.549 F/L.D. HILL do. do. (J.25998 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.W.PB.131 S/L.W.J. SMITH do. do. A/C.Z.LL.944 F/O.E.H. MILNE do. do. A/C.A.ND.758 S/L.W.D. MARTIN do. do. A/C.B.HK.579 F/S.PERRY, J. do. do. A/C.G.ME.836 F/O.J. THORNTON do. do. A/C.E.HK.551 F/O.N.D. FULLER do. do. A/C.F.HK.566 F/O.D.F. HOLDER do. do. (NZ.421053 - R.N.Z.A.F.) A/C.G.ME.892 F/S.COOPER, R. do. do. A/C.H.HK.546 F/O.F.A. STECHMAN do. do. A/C.J.ND.865 F/O.P. FRANKLAND do. do. A/C.H.HK.560 F/O.P.G. BROWN do. do.</p> <p>BOMB LOAD</p> <p>The above aircraft carried 220 x 1,000lb G.P. bombs & 80 x 500lb G.P. bombs.</p> <p>20 aircraft were detailed to attack HAMEL and took off between 13.49 hours and 14.15 hours. All identified the target by means of P.F. flares and visually and bombed either red or green indicator markers, as instructed by Master Bomber, from heights ranging between 8,700 feet and 10,000 feet. Bombing was rather scattered at first but became more concentrated later. Area was covered with smoke and dust. Photographs were attempted.</p> <p>17.37 All the aircraft had returned safely to base after operations.</p>		
	15th Aug., 1944		<p>There was no FLYING TRAINING today.</p> <p>OPERATIONS (DAYLIGHT) OF 15th AUGUST, 1944 - TARGET - St. TROND AIRFIELD</p> <p>10.08 A/C.D.LL.880 F/S. LEMOINE R. and crew took off for operations. to A/C.G.ME.718 F/O.J. CUNNINGHAM do. do. 10.31 A/C.J.HK.598 F/O.J.W. DAVIDSON do. do. (J.26633 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.H.HK.599 F/O.D. CULVER do. do. A/C.L.HK.565 F/S.MORGAN, J. do. do.</p>		13

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WITCHFORD	15th Aug., 1944		OPERATIONS (cont) and crew took off for operations.		
			A/C.N.LL.935 W/O SHAPLEY, V. do. do.		
			A/C.Q.HK.549 F/S. BERKELEY, N. do. do.		
			A/C.U.HK.544 F/L.A.C. ALLDRIDGE (J.27724 - R.C.A.F.) do. do.		
			A/C.V.ME.756 F/S. BODEN, F. do. do.		
			A/C.W.PB.131 S/L.W.J. SMITH do. do.		
			A/C.Z.LL.944 F/D.P.W. BICKFORD (J.25920 - R.C.A.F.) do. do.		
			A/C.G.ME.836 F/S. WADHAM, B. do. do.		
			A/C.B.HK.579 F/S. PERRY, J. do. do.		
			A/C.E.HK.551 F/O.A.T. DUGDALE do. do.		
			A/C.F.HK.556 F/O.P.G. BROWN (NZ.414839 - R.N.Z.A.F.) do. do.		
			A/C.C.ME.692 F/S. COOPER, R. do. do.		
			A/C.H.HK.545 F/O.N.D. FULLER do. do.		
			A/C.A.ND.758 F/O.E.M. MILLER do. do.		
			A/C.D.ME.803 F/O.F.A. STECHMAN do. do.		
			BOMB LOAD The above aircraft carried 209 x 1,000lb G.P., 2 x 500lb G.P. & 2 x 500lb M.C. bombs.		
			19 aircraft were detailed to attack ST. TROND AIRFIELD and took off between 10.05 hours and 10.51 hours. All identified the target visually and bombed intersection of runways, as instructed by Master Bomber, from heights ranging between 9,500 feet to 15,800 feet. Bombing was well concentrated and very little was left of the airfield, the runways being wiped out. Fighters were seen shooting up the dome. Photographs were attempted. Eight other airfields were observed well bombed.		
		13.39	All the aircraft had returned safely to base after operations.		
	16th Aug., 1944		There was no FLYING TRAINING today.		
			OPERATIONS NIGHT OF 16th/17th AUGUST, 1944 - TARGET - STETTIN.		14
		21.05	A/C.C.HK.578 F/L.T.W. MILLER (AUS.423812 - R.A.A.F.) and crew took off for operations		
		to			
		21.25	A/C.D.LL.880 F/O.J.W. DAVIDSON (J.26633 - R.C.A.F.) do. do.		
			A/C.L.HK.565 F/O.D.G. BURGESS do. do.		
			A/C.H.M.127 F/L.E. CHAMERTON (J.24313 - R.C.A.F.) do. do.		
			A/C.J.HK.598 F/O.J. CUNNINGHAM do. do.		
			A/C.K.HK.599 F/O.D. CULVER do. do.		
			A/C.V.ME.756 F/L.B. FOIKES do. do.		
			A/C.Z.LL.944 F/L.C. MCBRIDE do. do.		
			A/C.C.HK.549 F/S. FRANK, W. do. do.		
			A/C.W.PB.131 F/L.B. JOHNSON do. do.		

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WITCHFORD	16th Aug., 1944		OPERATIONS (cont) and crew took off for operations.		
			A/C.U.HK.544 F/S. BERKELEY, N. do. do.		
			A/C.B.HK.579 F/O.A.T. DUGDALE do. do.		
			A/C.C.ME.836 F/O.A.J. OSBORNE do. do.		
			A/C.D.ME.803 F/O.B.S. WADHAM do. do.		
			A/C.F.HK.556 F/O.F.A. STECHMAN do. do.		
			A/C.G.ME.692 F/S. COOPER, R. do. do.		
			A/C.J.ND.805 F/O.P.G. BROWN (NZ.414839 - R.N.Z.A.F.) do. do.		
			A/C.K.HK.560 F/S. BRAUN, H. do. do.		
			BOMB LOAD The above aircraft carried 18 x 2,000lb H.C. bombs, 126 x "J" Type Cluster Projectile, & 101 x No.14 Cluster Projectile.		
			18 aircraft were detailed to attack STETTIN and took off between 21.05 hours and 21.25 hours. Two of the aircraft attack the SEIMMUNDE area and bombed from heights of 19,500 feet and 20,600 feet respectively. Fires were seen and photographs were attempted. The remainder identified STETTIN by means of red & green indicator markers, on which the majority bombed, as instructed by Master Bomber, from heights ranging between 15,500 feet and 20,000 feet. Bombing appeared to be rather scattered, but there was a good concentration of bomb bursts around the markers, which appeared to be well placed. A very large oil explosion was seen, as well as many scattered fires. Photographs were attempted.		
	17th Aug., 1944	05.30	All the aircraft had returned safely to base after operations.		
			There was no FLYING TRAINING today.		
			There were no OPERATIONS today and nothing of interest occurred.		
	18th Aug., 1944		There was no FLYING TRAINING today.		
			OPERATIONS NIGHT OF 18th/19th AUGUST, 1944. - TARGET - BREMEN		15
		21.30	A/C.D.LL.880 F/S. LEMOINE, R. and crew took off for operations.		
		to			
		21.55	A/C.C.HK.578 F/O.T.W. ELLISON do. do.		
			A/C.F.HK.555 F/O.J.W. DAVIDSON (J.26633 - R.C.A.F.) do. do.		
			A/C.H.M.127 F/L.S. CARSIDE do. do.		
			A/C.G.ME.718 F/O.E. CUNNINGHAM do. do.		
			A/C.J.HK.598 F/S. POTTER, O. (AUS.426853 - R.A.A.F.) do. do.		
			A/C.K.HK.599 F/O.D. CULVER do. do.		
			A/C.L.HK.565 F/S. MORGAN, J. do. do.		
			A/C.N.LL.935 W/O SHAPLEY, V. do. do.		

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WITCHFORD	18th Aug., 1944		OPERATIONS (continued) A/C.Q.HK.549 S/L.W.J.SMITH and crew took off for operations A/C.V.ME.756 F/O.A.J.MUIR do. do. (NZ.422307 - R.N.Z.A.F.) A/C.W.PB.131 F/L.B.JOHNSTON do. do. (J.25407 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.Z.LL.944 F/O.P.W.BICKFORD do. do. (J.25920 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.A.ND.758 F/O.P.E.BROWN do. do. (NZ.414839 - R.N.Z.A.F.) A/C.D.ME.803 F/O.A.J.OSBORNE do. do. A/C.E.HK.551 F/O.A.T.DUGDALE do. do. A/C.F.HK.556 Sgt.FUNK,P. do. do. (R.61563 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.G.ME.692 F/S.COOPER,R. do. do. A/C.H.HK.546 F/S.PERRY,J. do. do. A/C.J.ND.805 F/O.N.D.FULLER do. do. A/C.K.HK.560 F/S.BRAUN,H. do. do.		
			BOMB LOAD The above aircraft carried 10 x 8,000lb H.C., 11 x 4,000lb H.C., 1,800 x 50lb Incends., & 15,900 x 4lb Incends. 22 aircraft were detailed to attack BREMEN, but one was cancelled. The remainder took off between 21.30 hours and 21.55 hours. One aircraft was forced to abandon the sortie due to mid upper turret being unserviceable and returned to base early after jettisoning safe his 8,000lb H.C., but bringing back incendiaries. The rest identified the target by P.F. flares and bombed the red & green indicator markers from heights ranging between 18,000 feet and 20,000 feet. Bombing was well concentrated and many large red explosions and fires were seen. Photographs were attempted.		
	19th Aug., 1944	03.07	All the aircraft had returned safely to base. There were no OPERATIONS or FLYING TRAINING today & nothing of interest occurred.		
	20th Aug., 1944		There were no OPERATIONS or FLYING TRAINING today & nothing of interest occurred.		
	21st Aug., 1944		There were no OPERATIONS or FLYING TRAINING today & nothing of interest occurred.		
	22nd Aug., 1944		MET. CONDITIONS Wind - North Easterly - Freezing Level - 12,000 feet - Visibility - 3 miles 10/10 cloud at 4,000 feet. There was no FLYING TRAINING today. OPERATIONS OF 22nd AUGUST, 1944. 18 crews stood by for operations, which were cancelled at 18.15 hours.		

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WITCHFORD	23rd Aug., 1944		FLYING TRAINING 7 crews undertook BOMBING PRACTICE. There were no OPERATIONS today and nothing of interest occurred.		10
	24th Aug., 1944		There was no FLYING TRAINING today. MET. CONDITIONS Wind - Westerly - 3 m.p.h. Visibility - 4 miles - Thundery with intermittent rain. OPERATIONS OF 24th AUGUST, 1944 25 crews were detailed for operations, which were cancelled at 17.40 hours.		
	25th Aug., 1944		There was no FLYING TRAINING today. OPERATIONS NIGHT OF 25th/26th AUGUST, 1944 - TARGET - BISSELSHEIM		16
	20.23 to 20.50		A/C.B.NN.706 F/O.J.CUNNINGHAM and crew took off for operations A/C.C.HK.578 S/L.W.J.McFETRIDGE do. do. A/C.D.LL.890 F/S.POTTER,G. do. do. (AUS.426853 - R.A.A.F.) A/C.F.HK.555 F/O.D.G.BURGESS do. do. A/C.E.ME.718 F/L.E.CHATTERTON do. do. (J.24315 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.H.IM.127 F/L.S.GARSDIE do. do. A/C.H.HK.598 F/O.P.F.WARD do. do. A/C.K.HK.599 F/O.J.W.DAVIDSON do. do. (J.26633 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.N.LL.935 F/O.W.FRANK do. do. A/C.Q.HK.549 F/S.ADAMS,E. do. do. A/C.T.IM.693 F/L.D.HILL do. do. (J.25799 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.U.HK.544 F/O.N.BERGELEY do. do. A/C.V.ME.756 F/O.A.J.MUIR do. do. (NZ.422307 - R.N.Z.A.F.) A/C.W.PB.131 F/L.B.JOHNSTON do. do. (J.25407 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.Y.PD.274 F/L.A.C.ALLDRIDGE do. do. (J.27724 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.Z.LL.944 F/S.BODEN,J. do. do. A/C.A.ND.758 F/O.N.D.FULLER do. do. A/C.B.HK.579 P/O.B.S.H.WADHAM do. do. A/C.G.ME.836 F/O.A.J.OSBORNE do. do. A/C.D.ME.803 F/S.PERRY,J. do. do. A/C.E.HK.551 F/O.A.T.DUGDALE do. do. A/C.H.HK.546 Sgt.FUNK,P. do. do. (R.61563 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.G.ME.692 F/O.P.G.BROWN (NZ.414839 - R.N.Z.A.F.) do. do.		

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WITCHFORD	25th Aug., 1944		OPERATIONS (continued) A/C.F.HK.556 F/S.BRAUN,H. and crew took off for operations (R.156079 - R.C.A.F.)		
			BOMB LOAD The above aircraft carried 24 x 4,000lb H.C. bombs & 274 x No.14 Cluster Projectiles.		
			27 aircraft were detailed to attack RUSSELHEIM but three were cancelled. The remainder took off between 20.23 hours and 20.50 hours. One aircraft Y.PB.274 (Captain F/L.A.C. ALDRIDGE) failed to return from operations - no news being received. 23 aircraft identified the target by means of red & green indicator markers on which they bombed from heights ranging between 8,000 feet and 19,000 feet. A big orange coloured explosion, which lit up the sky, was seen at 01.00 hours. There was a fine concentration of fires with much smoke. Photographs were attempted. One aircraft sustained damage to Mid Upper turret by flak. Another aircraft's starboard engine seized up due to glycol leak and on return landed at ODHAM through lack of petrol. Owing to bad weather conditions at base, all the aircraft were diverted to other stations.		
	26th Aug., 1944	08.10	23 aircraft had landed after operations (at different stations) There was no FLYING TRAINING today.		
			OPERATIONS NIGHT OF 26th/27th AUGUST, 1944 - TARGET - KIEL		17
	20.09 to 20.45		A/C.B.M.706 P/O.T.W.ELLISON and crew took off for operations A/C.C.HK.578 F/S.POTTER,C. (AUS.426953 - R.A.A.F.) do. do. A/C.F.HK.555 F/O.D.G.BURGESS do. do. A/C.G.ME.718 F/O.J.CORRINGHAM do. do. A/C.J.HJ.598 F/O.P.F.WARD do. do. A/C.K.HK.599 F/O.D.C.JENKINS do. do. A/C.H.I.M.127 F/O.J.MORGAN do. do. A/C.N.LL.935 F/O.W.FRANK do. do. A/C.Q.HK.549 F/L.D.HILL do. do. (J.25798 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.S.MD.900 F/L.C.McTIDE do. do. A/C.T.I.M.693 F/L.B.FOLKES do. do. A/C.V.ME.756 F/O.A.J.MUIR do. do. (NZ.422507 - R.N.Z.A.F.) A/C.W.PB.151 F/L.B.JOHNSTON do. do. (J.25407 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.Z.LL.944 E/S.BODEN,J. do. do. A/C.D.ME.803 F/O.B.S.H.WADHAM do. do. A/C.C.ME.836 F/O.A.J.OSBORNE do. do. A/C.E.HK.531 F/O.A.T.DUGDALE do. do. A/C.B.HK.579 F/S.PERRY,J. do. do. A/C.F.HK.556 F/O.D.F.HOLDER (NZ.421053 - RNZAF) do. do.		10

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WITCHFORD	26th Aug., 1944		OPERATIONS (continued) A/C.H.HK.546 Sgt. FUNK,E. and crew took off for operations (R.61565 - R.C.A.F.) do. do. A/C.K.HK.560 F/S.BRAUN,H. do. do. (R.156079 - R.C.A.F.) do. do. A/C.G.ME.698 F/O.H.D.FULLER do. do.		11
			BOMB LOAD The above aircraft carried 12 x 4,000lb H.C., 10 x 8,000lb H.C., 1,832 x 30lb Incends., & 18,800 x 4lb Incends.		
			23 aircraft were detailed to attack KIEL, but one failed to take off. The remainder took off between 20.09 hours and 20.45 hours. 23 aircraft (H.I.M.127 Captain F/O.J.MORGAN, F.HK.556 Captain F/O.D.F.HOLDER NZ.421053, and HK.560 Captain F/S.BRAUN,H.) failed to return from operations - no news being received. 2 aircraft were forced to abandon the sortie due to port outer engine being unserviceable and rear turret being unserviceable respectively and both returned to base early after jettisoning their bomb load, one live and the other safe. 17 aircraft identified the target visually and by P.F. flares and bombed red and green markers from heights ranging between 16,000 feet and 19,000 feet. Bombing was well concentrated and many fires with much smoke and explosions were seen. Photographs were attempted. Searchlights and heavy flak were very active. One aircraft was damaged by heavy flak.		
	27th Aug., 1944	02.05	19 aircraft had returned safely to base. FLYING TRAINING 2 crews undertook BOMBING PRACTICE and 1 crew AIR TO SEA FIRING. There were no OPERATIONS today and nothing of interest occurred.		
	28th Aug., 1944		FLYING TRAINING 1 crew undertook PRACTICE BOMBING, 1 crew H2S EXERCISE, and 3 crews CROSS COUNTRY EXERCISES. There were no OPERATIONS today and nothing of interest occurred.		
	29th Aug., 1944		FLYING TRAINING 1 crew undertook PRACTICE BOMBING OPERATIONS NIGHT OF 29th/30th AUGUST, 1944 - TARGET - STETTIN		18
	21.08 to 21.30		A/C.A.HK.595 S/L.W.J.McKEITHRIDGE and crew took off for operations A/C.C.HK.578 F/O.J.CUNNINGHAM do. do. A/C.F.HK.555 F/S.POTTER,C. do. do. (AUS.426953 - R.A.A.F.) A/C.G.ME.718 F/L.E.CHATTERTON do. do. (R.24313 - R.C.A.F.)		

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WITCHFORD	29th Aug., 1944		<p>OPERATIONS (continued)</p> <p>A/C.J.HK.598 F/O.P.F.WARD and crew took off for operations A/C.K.HK.599 F/O.D.CULVER do. do. A/C.L.HK.565 F/O.J.W.DAVIDSON do. do. (J.26633 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.N.LL.935 F/S.ADAMS,E. do. do. A/C.S.ND.900 F/L.C.McBRIDE do. do. A/C.V.ME.756 F/O.A.J.MUIR do. do. (NZ.422307 - R.N.Z.A.F.) A/C.W.PB.131 F/O.N.G.BERKELEY do. do. A/C.T.IM.693 F/L.D.HILL do. do. (J.25798 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.R.NF.960 F/O.E.M.MILNE do. do. A/C.X.PD.276 F/S.BODEN,J. do. do. A/C.D.ME.803 F/O.B.S.WADHAM do. do. A/C.C.ME.836 F/O.A.J.OSBORNE do. do. A/C.E.HK.551 F/S.PERRY,J. do. do. A/C.G.ME.692 F/S.COOPER,R. do. do. A/C.H.HK.546 Sgt.FUNK,P. do. do. (R.61566 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.J.ND.805 F/O.P.FRANKLAND do. do. A/C.B.HK.579 F/O.P.W.BICKFORD do. do.</p> <p>BOMB LOAD</p> <p>The above aircraft carried 9 x 8,000lb H.C., 7 x 4,000lb H.C., 5 x 1,000lb AN.M.65, 892 x 30lb Incends., & 8,810 x 4lb Incends.</p> <p>21 aircraft took off between 21.08 hours and 21.30 hours to attack STETTIN. 2 aircraft (G.ME.718 Captain F/L.B.CHATTERTON J.34313 and W.PB.131 Captain F/O.N.G.BERKELEY) failed to return from operations - no news being received. 1 aircraft was forced to abandon the sortie due to starboard inner engine being unserviceable and returned to base early after jettisoning his bomb load safe. 18 aircraft identified the target visually and by P.F. flares and bombed red and green indicator markers from heights ranging between 15,000 feet and 19,000 feet. Bombing was well concentrated around docks and many large fires with much smoke and explosions were observed. Photographs were attempted. One aircraft had its fore part and cockpit damaged by flak and the pilot (F/S.POTTER,C.) was wounded in the leg. Permission was granted to land in SWEDEN but pilot carried on and successfully landed his aircraft at base.</p>		
	30th Aug., 1944	07.10	<p>19 aircraft had returned safely to base.</p> <p>FLYING TRAINING</p> <p>1 crew undertook BOMBING PRACTICE.</p> <p>There were no OPERATIONS today and nothing of interest occurred.</p>		
	31st Aug., 1944		<p>FLYING TRAINING - 1 crew undertook CROSS COUNTRY EXERCISE (NIGHT), 1 crew HIGH LEVEL BOMBING and 1 crew BOMBING PRACTICE.</p>		

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WITCHFORD	31st Aug., 1944		<p>OPERATIONS (DAYLIGHT) OF 31st AUGUST, 1944 - FORT REMY</p> <p>16.09 A/C.B.NH.705 F/O.T.W.ELLISON and crew took off for operations to A/C.C.HK.578 F/O.D.C.JENKINS do. do. 16.40 A/C.L.HK.565 F/S.GASTON,J. (DFM) do. do. (R.164571 - R.C.A.F.) A/C.N.LL.935 F/S.ADAMS,E. do. do. A/C.Q.HK.549 F/O.E.M.MILNE do. do. A/C.S.ND.900 F/L.C.McBRIDE do. do. A/C.T.IM.693 F/L.B.FOLKES do. do. A/C.R.NF.960 S/L.W.J.SMITH do. do. A/C.X.PD.276 F/S.BODEN,J. do. do. A/C.A.ND.758 W/O.W.G.DEVAS (AFC) do. do. A/C.B.HK.579 F/O.A.J.OSBORNE do. do. A/C.D.ME.803 F/O.F.A.STECHMAN do. do. A/C.E.HK.551 F/S.PERRY,J. do. do. A/C.F.IM.696 F/O.N.D.FULLER do. do. A/C.G.ME.692 F/S.COOPER,R. do. do. A/C.J.ND.805 F/O.P.FRANKLAND do. do.</p> <p>BOMB LOAD</p> <p>The above aircraft carried 175 x 1,000lb AN.M.65 bombs & 64 x 500lb G.P.bombs.</p> <p>16 aircraft were detailed to attack FORT REMY and took off between 16.09 hours and 16.40 hours. All identified the target visual of wood and bombed from heights ranging between 12,700 feet and 16,000 feet. Bombing was very scattered and attack very disappointing due to smallness of target. A few bomb bursts were seen on aiming point. An explosion was seen at 16.15 hours with plenty of black smoke. Photographs were attempted. 2 aircraft were damaged by flak.</p> <p>19.49 All the aircraft had returned safely to base after operations.</p>		19																																												
<p>PARTICULARS OF SORTIES FOR MONTH OF AUGUST, 1944</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2"></th> <th colspan="2">OPS. NIGHT.</th> <th colspan="2">OPS. DAY.</th> <th colspan="2">NON-OP. NIGHT.</th> <th colspan="2">NON-OP. DAY.</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Sorties</th> <th>Time.</th> <th>Sorties</th> <th>Time.</th> <th>Sorties</th> <th>Time.</th> <th>Sorties</th> <th>Time.</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Lancaster I</td> <td>158</td> <td>861.26</td> <td>124</td> <td>582.02</td> <td>2</td> <td>4.33</td> <td>62</td> <td>89.59</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lancaster III</td> <td>36</td> <td>133.16</td> <td>36</td> <td>139.21</td> <td>1</td> <td>1.42</td> <td>11</td> <td>17.48</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>194</td> <td>994.42</td> <td>160</td> <td>721.23</td> <td>3</td> <td>6.15</td> <td>73</td> <td>107.47</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>TOTAL WEIGHT OF BOMBS DROPPED FOR MONTH OF AUGUST, 1944 - 1,680 tons. TOTAL WEIGHT OF BOMBS DROPPED FROM MAY, 1940 to AUGUST, 1944 - 12,541.4 tons.</p>							OPS. NIGHT.		OPS. DAY.		NON-OP. NIGHT.		NON-OP. DAY.		Sorties	Time.	Sorties	Time.	Sorties	Time.	Sorties	Time.	Lancaster I	158	861.26	124	582.02	2	4.33	62	89.59	Lancaster III	36	133.16	36	139.21	1	1.42	11	17.48		194	994.42	160	721.23	3	6.15	73	107.47
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			170759 P/O. W. THOMSON	Awarded DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS.	
			R.164571 F/S. GASTON, J.M.	Awarded DISTINGUISHED FLYING MEDAL.	
			1621281 Sgt. WEST, J.H.	do.	
			1896581 Sgt. BATHURST, C.L.	do.	
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			do. - R.N.Z.A.F.	do. 24 to 30	do.
			do. - R.A.A.F.	do. 28 to 31	do.
			Airmen - R.A.F.	do. 112 to 125	do.
			do. - R.C.A.F.	do. 48 to 57	do.
			do. - R.N.Z.A.F.	do. 25 to 27	do.
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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				UP	DOWN		
1944							
1st Aug.	Lancaster Mk.III (KO)H.I.M.127	S/L. McFETRIDGE, W.J. Captain F/O. J. McINNES Navigator F/O. G. A. ROCHFORD Air Bomber (J. 29711 - R.C.A.F.)		16.09	19.16	15 aircraft (4 from "A" Flt., 6 from "B" Flt., & 5 from "C" Flt.) were detailed to attack COULONVILLERS.	13
	F/O. J. W. DAVIDSON - 2nd Pilot. (J. 26635 - R.C.A.F.)	Sgt. SUNLEY, C. WOP/Air Sgt. CORNEY, W. Mid Upper Sgt. BRETNELL, R.W. Rear Gunner Sgt. APPS, B. Flt. Eng.				A/C.H.I.M.127 S/L.W.J. McFETRIDGE and crew. A/C.F.HK.555 F/O. J. CUNNINGHAM do. A/C.G.ME.718 F/O. E. CHATTERTON do. (J. 24313 - R.C.A.F.)	
	Lancaster Mk.I (KO)F.HK.555	F/O. J. CUNNINGHAM Captain Sgt. NIELD, E. Navigator F/O. R. D. SMARDON Air Bomber (J. 35584 - R.C.A.F.)		16.15	19.20	A/C.C.HK.578 F/O. D. GULVER do. A/C.P.HK.541 W/O. SHAPLEY, V. do. A/C.Q.HK.549 F/O. D. HILL do. (J. 25798 - R.C.A.F.)	
		Sgt. SNIDALL, D. WOP/Air Sgt. TURNER, W. Mid Upper Sgt. SAVILL, G. Rear Gunner Sgt. HART, E. Flt. Eng.				A/C.N.LL.935 F/O. J. OLDHAM do. A/C.U.HK.544 F/O. P. W. BICKFORD do. (J. 25920 - R.C.A.F.)	
	Lancaster Mk.I (KO)G.ME.718	F/O. E. CHATTERTON Captain (J. 24313 - R.C.A.F.)		16.10	19.15	A/C.S.ND.906 F/O. D. G. BELYEA do. A/C.T.PB.127 F/O. B. JOHNSTON do. (J. 25407 - R.C.A.F.)	
		F/S. SANKEY, N. Navigator F/O. A. M. KOVACHICH Air Bomber (J. 25524 - R.C.A.F.)				A/C.D.ME.803 F/S. COOPER, R. do. A/C.J.ND.805 F/C.P. FRANKLAND do. A/C.E.HK.551 F/O. A. E. SWEENEY do. A/C.F.HK.556 W/O. HOLDER, D. do. (NZ. 421053 - R.N.Z.A.F.)	
		Sgt. TAYLOR, L. WOP/Air Sgt. BULLOCK, D. Mid Upper Sgt. REEB, J. Rear Gunner (R. 221241 - R.C.A.F.)				A/C.H.HK.546 F/O. A. J. OSBORNE do.	
		Sgt. FARNDALE, B. Flt. Eng.				BOMB LOAD.	
	Lancaster Mk.I (KO)C.HK.578	F/O. D. CULVER Captain Sgt. LINDLEY, H. Navigator F/S. GEORGE, H. Air Bomber F/S. HELL, J. WOP/Air (AUS. 418623 - R.A.A.F.)		16.05	19.10	5 of the above aircraft each carried 13 x 1,000lb G.P. and 1 x 500lb G.P. bombs. 5 each carried 14 x 1,000lb G.P. bombs. 5 each carried 18 x 500lb G.P. bombs.	
		Sgt. STEPHANIAN, P. Mid Upper Sgt. ELFORD, C. Rear Gunner Sgt. FRANKLIN, L. Flt. Eng.				All the aircraft reached the target area but were instructed by the Master Bomber to return to base as it was impossible to see the indicator markers.	
	Lancaster Mk.I (KO)P.HK.541	W/O. SHAPLEY, V. Captain F/O. H. ROBERTS Navigator F/S. HALL, J. Air Bomber Sgt. MCMAHON, W. WOP/Air Sgt. LYNE, J. Mid Upper F/S. TAYLOR, E. Rear Gunner (R. 167763 - R.C.A.F.)		16.12	19.15	Bombs were jettisoned or brought back as stated overleaf.	
		Sgt. LANGSTAFF, N. Flt. Eng.					

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