

R.A.F. Form 540

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OPERATIONS RECORD BOOK

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of (Unit or Formation) No. 119 (B.O.S.F.) Squadron

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Place	Date	Time	Summary of Events	References to Appendices
CROFT	1/10/42		Squadron proceeded to settle down in new quarters after move from Topcliffe. Rear party arrived in evening thus completing move.	
	2/10/42		Five aircraft attacked Krefeld and two returned early. P/Sgt. Stone and crew failed to return. Pilot Officer Hurlings and Pilot Officer Stuart were members of the crew.	
	3/10/42		Stand down - training.	
	4/10/42		Stand down - training.	
	5/10/42		Five aircraft attacked Aachen in bad weather conditions. Two crews failed to return - Sgt. Grewe and Sgt. Powell. Pilot Officer Todd was a member of one crew.	
	6/10/42		Six aircraft attacked Osnabruck. All returned safely.	
	7/10/42		Stand down	
	8/10/42		Stand down	
	9/10/42		Stand down - P/Lt. D.S. McCann posted to establishment of R.A.F. Croft. P/Lt. W.C. Hamilton assumed duties of Squadron Adjutant.	
	10/10/42		NOT aircraft No. 339 crashed in immediate vicinity of barracks at 1445 hrs. Sgt. Hicks and Colvin killed. Sgt. Seobie, P/Agwing and Pilot Officer Campbell dangerously injured. Sgt. Lloyd seriously injured.	
	11/10/42		Sgt. Seobie died at 1230 hrs. Cross country at night - three aircraft.	
	12/10/42		Stand down	
	13/10/42		Funeral of Sgt. Seobie, Colvin and Hicks held at 1400 hrs. at Darlington Cemetery. Ten aircraft attacked Kiel and one turned back. Sgt. Whelan's crew failed to return - Pilot Officer Bell was a member of the crew.	
	14/10/42		Stand down	
	15/10/42		Ten aircraft attacked Cologne - Sgt. Jolly and crew failed to return. Pilot Officer Gourfield was a member of this crew.	
	16/10/42		Stand down	
	17/10/42		P/Lt. Bartlett, Engineering Officer, reported to understudy Flying Officer Scott.	
	18/10/42		P/Lt. Jolly, father of Sgt. Jolly, visited the Squadron.	
	19/10/42		Stand down - bad weather.	
	20/10/42		Stand down	
	21/10/42		Stand down - training.	

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CRAPT	21/10/42		Stand down - 1/00r. Waterhouse reported for duty.																									
	22/10/42		Stand down - training.																									
	23/10/42		Five aircraft set out to attack Krefeld in daylight but all turned back owing to unfavourable weather conditions.																									
	24/10/42		Stand down.																									
	25/10/42		Stand down - training.																									
	26/10/42		Stand down.																									
	27/10/42		Stand down - Pilot Officer Hestey departed prior to repatriation to Canada.																									
	28/10/42		Stand down - Group Captain McKechnie inspected the Squadron.																									
	29/10/42		Stand down.																									
	30/10/42		Stand down - training.																									
	31/10/42		Three aircraft attacked Salon - daylight operation. All returned safely.																									
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