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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
2/10/42	WELLINGTON Z.1604	F/Sgt. McLaughlin Sgt. Holmes Sgt. Middlell Sgt. Saunders P/Sgt. Harding Sgt. Macdonald	Captain Observer W/O A.G. Bomb Aimer A.G. 2nd Pilot	18.29	00.08	Target KNOWN with 510 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Bombed on R.F.A. No results observed from own attack but three large fires were seen in the target area. Aircraft turned for home.	
2/10/42	WELLINGTON Z.1625	Sgt. Goddard Sgt. Fitzpatrick Sgt. Stone Sgt. Sherman Sgt. Smart Sgt. Jolley	Captain Observer Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. A.G. 2nd Pilot	18.18	22.36	Aircraft set out to attack KNOWN with 510 x 4-lb. incendiaries. As rear turret was jammed, owing to an oil pipe having burst, Captain decided to return to base. Incendiaries were jettisoned from 10000 ft.	
2/10/42	WELLINGTON Z.1604	Sgt. Maddock P/O Farnall P/Sgt. Booth Sgt. Woods P/Sgt. Powell	Captain Observer W/O A.G. Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.20	23.56	Target KNOWN with 510 x 4-lb. incendiaries. 1/10ths cloud and very heavy haze made visual identification of target impossible. Bombed on R.F.A. (one large fire was seen in the target area which grew in intensity as the aircraft left the area).	
2/10/42	WELLINGTON Z.1629	F/Sgt. Frederick Sgt. Jackson P/Sgt. Mohr Sgt. Rogers Sgt. Connolly P/Sgt. Miller	Captain 2nd Pilot Observer W/O Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.43	00.03	Target KNOWN with 3 x 500-lb. and 540 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Considerable haze prevented details being located and aircraft bombed on R.F.A. Incendiaries were seen burning, and on leaving the target area numerous small fires were seen.	
2/10/42	WELLINGTON Z.1344	F/Sgt. Cameron P/Sgt. Hutchinson Sgt. Mitchell Sgt. Harwood P/O Power	Captain Observer W/O Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.21	21.50	Attacked KNOWN with 3 x 500-lb. and 540 x 4-lb. incendiaries. No ground details observed owing to thick ground haze. No results of bombing observed.	
2/10/42	WELLINGTON Z.1590	P/O Hestey P/Sgt. Crossman Sgt. Flanagan P/Sgt. Burg P/Sgt. Whyte	Captain Observer W/O Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.22	23.35	Target KNOWN with 3 x 500-lb. and 540 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Bombed on R.F.A. Results not seen and no outstanding results observed as aircraft was early on the target but several scattered incendiaries were seen.	
2/10/42	WELLINGTON Z.1720	F/Sgt. Powell P/O Todd Sgt. Manning Sgt. O'Grady Sgt. Bell	Captain Observer W/O Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.16	21.20	Aircraft set out to attack KNOWN but owing to over-heating of engine, which prevented aircraft from gaining height, Captain decided to return to base. Bomb load (510 x 4-lb. incendiaries) jettisoned in sea.	

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2/10/42	WELLINGTON DF.664	Sgt. Watson P/O Bell Sgt. Hall Sgt. Green P/Sgt. Stronking	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.14	23.46	Unable to identify primary target as attacked WRECKERS with 3 x 500-lb. and 540 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Bursts of gun bombs not seen but two good fires in the believed target area.	
2/10/42	WELLINGTON NK.269 "J"	P/Sgt. Stone Sgt. Swinson P/O Harbridge P/O Stuart Sgt. Wilson Sgt. Price	Captain 2nd Pilot Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.19		Aircraft not out to attack WRECKERS with 3 x 500-lb. and 540 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Nothing was heard from aircraft after take off and it must be presumed lost.	
3/10/42	WELLINGTON N.369	Sgt. Fredericks P/Sgt. Asher Sgt. Gwynne Sgt. Osmolly P/Sgt. Whyte	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.15	23.20	Set out to attack AACHEN with 810 x 4-lb. incendiaries and 3 handles of bombs. In attack was made as severe icing conditions were encountered at landing point and aircraft fell out of control for 2,000 feet. Rear turret iced up as well. Bombs jettisoned in sea.	
3/10/42	WELLINGTON DF.664	Sgt. Watson P/O Bell Sgt. Harthar Sgt. Green P/Sgt. Stronking	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.13	23.37	810 x 4-lb. incendiaries dropped 3 miles north of LA GRAY. Several scattered fires seen. Did not continue to primary target as fuel was U/S and rear turret iced and could not be uniced. (forwards frozen)	
3/10/42	WELLINGTON N.334	Sgt. Smith Sgt. Bailey Sgt. Tompkins Sgt. Younglat Sgt. Bell	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.23	21.02	Target AACHEN with 810 x 4-lb. incendiaries. This aircraft encountered electrical storms over south of England which put intercomms and R/T U/S, so Captain decided to return to base. All bombs brought back.	
3/10/42	WELLINGTON N.1623	P/Sgt. Green, M.E. Sgt. Doherty, R. Sgt. Robson, A.G. Sgt. Shaw, T.H. Sgt. Palmer, G.P.	Captain Observer W/Operator W/Op. A.G. A.G.	18.19		This aircraft set out to attack AACHEN with 810 x 4-lb. incendiaries but nothing further was heard after take-off and aircraft must therefore be presumed missing.	
3/10/42	WELLINGTON NK.333	Sgt. Clark Sgt. Barber P/O Harbridge P/Sgt. Harling Sgt. Murray	Captain 2nd Pilot Observer W/Operator A.G. W/Op. A.G.	18.16	01.24	Target AACHEN with 810 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Identified River MAAS and AACHEN by flares and fires. Incendiaries appeared to be taking hold and several bombs seen to explode.	

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5/10/42	WELLINGTON ZJ-729	W/Sgt. Powell 2/O Todd Sgt. Hillery Sgt. O'Grady Sgt. Brown	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.21		Target ACHET with 810 x 4-lb. incendiaries and 3 bundles of nickels. Nothing was heard from this aircraft after take-off and it must therefore be presumed <u>missing</u> .	
5/10/42	WELLINGTON X-3390	Sgt. Macdonald Sgt. Burnett Sgt. Hill Sgt. Young Sgt. Hilton	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.30	22.12	Target ACHET with 810 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Encountered electrical storm which rendered <u>W/O and W/T</u> as aircraft returned to base. All bombs brought back.	
5/10/42	WELLINGTON Z-1572	Sgt. Jolley 2/O Boardfield Sgt. Colman Sgt. Grover Sgt. Anderson	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.17	22.37	Target ACHET with 810 x 4-lb. incendiaries and 3 bundles of nickels. Intercom, W/O in electrical storm. Both engines overrated. Bombs were jettisoned in sea and aircraft returned to base.	
6/10/42	WELLINGTON X-3752	2/O Hestey Sgt. Chambers 2/O G. Greenham Sgt. Flanagan 2/O Dery 2/O Wyle	Captain 2nd Pilot Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.48	00.10	Target OSWABUCK with 810 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Bombs dropped on large fire. Appeared to take hold. 3 bundles of nickels dropped.	
6/10/42	WELLINGTON Z-1634	Sgt. Goldard Sgt. Seade Sgt. Fitzpatrick Sgt. Deane Sgt. Shewson Sgt. Gossel	Captain 2nd Pilot Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.43	00.30	Target OSWABUCK with 810 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Fire seen in built up area. On results not observed owing to large number of explosions at the time.	
6/10/42	WELLINGTON Z-1572	Sgt. Jolley 2/O Boardfield Sgt. Colman Sgt. Grover Sgt. Anderson	Pilot Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.39	00.52	Target OSWABUCK with 810 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Built-up area seen in light of flames. Several fires seen in target area. One very large explosion - reddish orange. One incendiaries seen to burst.	
6/10/42	WELLINGTON Z-3629	W/O. Harvey 2/O Porter Sgt. Wether 2/O Rice Sgt. Doonan Sgt. Bellin	Captain 2nd Pilot Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.41	00.44	Target OSWABUCK with 810 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Bombed on E.T.A. Reflection of flames and fires seen through cloud. No bursts of can-bombs seen.	

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6/10/42	WELLINGTON X.334	P/Sgt. Coover P/O Woodon P/Sgt. Hutchinson Sgt. McFarish P/Sgt. Marquand P/O Foster	Captain 2nd Pilot Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.47	21.46	Target OSWANEOK with 500lb. incendiaries. Zero horizon west w/a so captain decided to return to base. All bombs brought back. Aircraft crashed on landing resulting in under-carriage and under-side being scathed.	
6/10/42	WELLINGTON DF.664	Sgt. Hains Sgt. Hally Sgt. Tompkins Sgt. Youngblood Sgt. Dell	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.45	00.21	Target OSWANEOK with 500lb. incendiaries. Bombed on 27.2.42 and by flares and fires. Incendiaries seen burning and as aircraft left several fires started. On results not seen. Bombs dropped in target area.	
13/10/42	WELLINGTON DF.664	Sgt. Hains Sgt. Hally Sgt. Tompkins Sgt. Youngblood Sgt. Dell	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.52	01.45	Attacked KIL in good visibility with 3x500 and 500 lb. incendiaries. Large fires on west side of fiord, also to east and great quantity of smoke two miles north- west of docks.	
13/10/42	WELLINGTON X.3659	P/O Fleming P/O Parker P/O Hains Sgt. Johnson P/O. Longan	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.24	01.10	Target KIL with 3x500 and 500lb. incendiaries. Slight fire seen as aircraft left target area. Bombs did not go so were jettisoned over target.	
13/10/42	WELLINGTON DF.778	Sgt. Jackson Sgt. Garton Sgt. Grandoll Sgt. Fry Sgt. Storts	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.40	01.25	Target KIL with 3x500 and 500lb. incendiaries. Barricade seen in area to south of entrance of KIL Canal. Bombs had to be released by operating jettison bars.	
13/10/42	WELLINGTON DF.664	Sgt. Johnson P/O Hall Sgt. Green P/Sgt. Stronach	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.28		Aircraft took off to attack KIL with 3x500 and 500lb. incendiaries. Nothing was heard from the aircraft after take-off and must be presumed missing.	
13/10/42	WELLINGTON RE.364	P/O Parker Sgt. Rudinger Sgt. Lestaigne P/O Swenor Sgt. Taylor	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.12	01.12	Target KIL with 3x500 and 500lb. incendiaries. Two fires seen to west of railway station and in direction of BANG JOIN. One very large explosion to west of railway believed to have been caused by a 4000 lb.	
13/10/42	WELLINGTON X.1604	P/Sgt. McLaughlin Sgt. Pullner Sgt. Holmes Sgt. Liddell Sgt. Saunders P/O Farnham	Captain 2nd Pilot Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.37	01.46	Target KIL with 3x500 and 3x250 and 4x300-lb incen. Target in bombight and bursts seen. Large fires seen for distance of 70 miles.	

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13/10/42	WELLINGTON A.1572	Sgt. Bell P/Sgt. White Sgt. Armeson Sgt. Williston Sgt. Aitken	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.26	01.27	Target KIL with 3x500, 3x250 and 4x30-lb. incen. Target identified visually. One large explosion seen. Plenty of fires in target area.	
13/10/42	WELLINGTON DK.270	Sgt. Jolley P/O Scourfield Sgt. Morrison P/Sgt. Grover Sgt. Anderson	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.31	21.12	This aircraft set out to attack KIL with 3x500, 3x250 and 4x30-lb. incendiaries but developed engine trouble and captain decided to return to base.	
13/10/42	WELLINGTON DK.343	Sgt. Shank P/O Morrison P/O McGladrey Sgt. Owen Sgt. Murray	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.30	01.30	Target KIL with 3x500, 3x250 and 4x30-lb. incen. Bursts believed slightly south of aiming point. No fires seen but many bomb bursts.	
13/10/42	WELLINGTON DK.886	Sgt. Horton Sgt. Dunn Sgt. Watson Sgt. Hughli Sgt. Murphy	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.34	02.03	Target KIL with 3x500. Flare clearly identified and built up area in bomb sight. Burst of 4000 lb. bomb clearly seen and believed near aiming point. Some fires seen south-west of aiming point.	
15/10/42	WELLINGTON A.1572	Sgt. Bell P/Sgt. White Sgt. Howarth Sgt. Williston Sgt. Aitken	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.45	00.54	Target COLOGNE with 8100-lb. incendiaries. Target identified visually by river and town. Incendiaries seen to burst inside target area. Large explosions seen.	
15/10/42	WELLINGTON DK.270	Sgt. Jolley P/O Scourfield Sgt. Morrison P/Sgt. Grover Sgt. Anderson	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.56		This aircraft set out to attack COLOGNE with 8100-lb. incendiaries. Nothing was heard from the aircraft after take-off and it must therefore be presumed missing.	
15/10/42	WELLINGTON A.1604	P/O Massey Sgt. Mellor P/Sgt. Crossman Sgt. Flanagan P/Sgt. Day P/Sgt. Ryle	Captain 2nd Pilot Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.49	00.15	Target COLOGNE with 8100-lb. incendiaries. Target not identified visually owing to searchlight glare. Beaked on flames and incendiaries bombs. Own bursts not seen. Good visibility.	
15/10/42	WELLINGTON DK.343	Sgt. Shank P/O Morrison P/O McGladrey Sgt. Owen P/O Parnham	Captain 2nd Pilot Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.51	01.30	Target COLOGNE with 8100-lb. incendiaries. Visibility good though hazy. Target identified by turns in river. Target in bomb-sights. Large fires seen in target area.	

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5/10/42	WELLINGTON X.2563	Sgt. Mackenzie Sgt. Gesset Sgt. Hill Sgt. Young Sgt. Milton	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.44	01.12	Target GLOUCE with 1x1000. Visibility good and target identified visually. Heavy fires were seen.	
15/10/42	WELLINGTON B1.504	Sgt. Maddock P/O Farnall P/Sgt. Woods Sgt. Woods P/Sgt. Howell	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.53	01.19	Target GLOUCE with 2700-lb. incendiaries, and 40x30 lb. incendiaries. Bright moonlight - good visibility. Target identified by bands in the river and two bridges. Target in bomb-sights. Bursts not seen but incendiaries seen burning all round target area.	
15/10/42	WELLINGTON B1.778	Sgt. Jackson Sgt. Garton Sgt. Grinstead Sgt. Fry Sgt. Starks	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.47	21.06	Target GLOUCE with 2700-lb. incendiaries and 40x30 lb. incendiaries. GLOUCE was not attacked as electrical fixtures went w/a through failure of generators. Bombs jettisoned in sea.	
15/10/42	WELLINGTON B1.265	Sgt. Hains Sgt. Melly Sgt. Tomkins Sgt. Youngblood Sgt. Bell	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	19.04	00.05	Target GLOUCE with 2700-lb. incendiaries. GLOUCE identified by visual aim-pointing of band in river and also by flames. Incendiaries seen falling over target.	
15/10/42	WELLINGTON B1.264	P/O Porter Sgt. Badinger Sgt. Lantaigne Sgt. Keon Sgt. Taylor	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.52	01.15	Target GLOUCE with 2700-lb. and 40x30-lb. incendiaries. Good visibility - sea clear. Seen clearly seen. River and path-finder flames seen. Results of bombing not observed.	
15/10/42	WELLINGTON B1.209	P/O Gordon P/O Denton Sgt. Wicksworth P/O Bridges Sgt. Fliley	Captain Observer W/Operator Bomb Aimer A.G.	18.55	01.35	Target GLOUCE with 2700-lb. and 40x30-lb. incendiaries. Visibility good. Target identified visually. River stood out clearly - built-up area also seen. Bombs seen to explode just north of aiming point.	
23/10/42	WELLINGTON B1.778	S/Dr. Emsay P/O Gurnea P/O Adams P/Sgt. Barling Sgt. Taylor	Captain Observer W/Op.A.G. W/Op.A.G. A.G.	12.56	16.20	Target HARBOR with bomb load 2 x 1000, 2 x 500-lb. bombs. Cloud cleared after crossing English Coast and aircraft returned to base. All bombs jettisoned.	

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23/10/42	WELLINGTON L. 3699	W/Sgt. Frederick W/Sgt. Baker Sgt. Seyers Sgt. Gennolly W/O Yarnham	Captain Observer W/O A.G. Front A.G. A.G.	12.57	16.03	Target HAINBER with 2 x 1000 and 2 x 500-lb. bombs. Aircraft returned to base as cloud cover gave out after crossing English Coast. Bombs jettisoned in sea.	
23/10/42	WELLINGTON L. 1604	Sgt. Heath W/O Harrison W/O McIlroy Sgt. Owen Sgt. Blakey	Captain Observer W/O A.G. Front A.G. A.G.	13.01	16.13	Target HAINBER with 2 x 1000 and 2 x 500-lb. bombs. Ran out of cloud cover after crossing the English Coast so aircraft returned to base. All bombs jettisoned in sea.	
23/10/42	WELLINGTON NK. 343	Sgt. Gifford Sgt. Fitzpatrick Sgt. Marbury Sgt. Shuman Sgt. Grant	Captain Observer W/O A.G. Front A.G. A.G.	12.59	16.17	Target HAINBER with 2 x 1000 and 2 x 500-lb. bombs. No cloud cover so aircraft returned to base. All bombs jettisoned in sea.	
23/10/42	WELLINGTON L. 3390	Sgt. Maddock W/O Hamall W/Sgt. Moots Sgt. Woods W/Sgt. Powell	Captain Observer W/O A.G. Front A.G. A.G.	13.06	16.24	Target HAINBER with 2 x 1000 and 2 x 500-lb. bombs. Aircraft returned to base as cloud cover gave out after crossing the English Coast. All bombs jettisoned in sea.	
31/10/42	WELLINGTON L. 3699	W/Sgt. Frederick W/Sgt. Baker Sgt. Seyers Sgt. Gennolly	Captain Observer W/O A.G. Front A.G. A.G.	10.50	15.32	Target EGMEN with 2 x 1000 and 2 x 500-lb. bombs. Unable to pin-point target owing to 10/10ths cloud. Bombed on S.T.A. No results observed.	
31/10/42	WELLINGTON BN. 770	W/O Gordon W/O Burton Sgt. Hildsworth W/O Shields Sgt. Fyfe	Captain Observer W/O A.G. Front A.G. A.G.	10.47	16.08	Target EGMEN with 2 x 1000 and 2 x 500-lb. bombs. Bombed on S.T.A. Unable to pin-point target owing to 10/10ths cloud. Results not observed.	
31/10/42	WELLINGTON L. 1604	Sgt. Heath W/O Harrison W/O McIlroy Sgt. Owen W/Sgt. Vowden	Captain 2nd Pilot Observer W/O A.G. Front A.G. A.G.	10.36	15.36	Target EGMEN with 2 x 1000 and 2 x 500-lb. bombs. One quick glimpse of land through small break in clouds on crossing enemy coast. Many small streams observed. 10/10ths cloud over target. Bombed on S.T.A. No results observed.	

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