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11th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD. 443	R/O E. J. Boyce D. I. Black O. L. Park Sgt. Chambers, D.K. Sgt. Stewart, D.K. Sgt. Gray, J.J. Sgt. Hall, R.H. W/O Tripp, R.A.	Captain D/D Navigator P/W Bomb Aimer P/W W/O A.G. D/D Flight Eng. P/W 2nd Gunner P/W Rear Gunner P/W 2nd Pilot D/D	22.40	-	Target DUSSELDORF with 4 x 2,000-lb.H.C., 48 x 30-lb. 630 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Nothing further was heard from this aircraft after take-off, and its failure to return is presumed to be due to enemy action.	A-504
11th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD. 605	Sgt. Austin, A.W.S. R/O R.H. Hooper Sgt. Scott, J.H. Sgt. Barwite, S.R. Sgt. Foster, B. Sgt. Dixon, R.H. Sgt. McConnell, J.L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.34	04.12	Successful. Target DUSSELDORF with bomb load as above. No cloud target visible. Aircraft was hit by flak and bombs were released 1/2 mile short of target. Aircraft was too early for results of raid to be properly assessed.	A-505
14th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD. 447	S/Ldr. G.E. Harris R/O J.R. Alexander Sgt. Lane, W.F. Sgt. Goodwin, G.M. Sgt. Mathon, R.H. W/Ogt. Lewis, A.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.44	04.02	Successful. Target DUSSELDORF with bomb load as above. Visibility clear apart from one patch of low strata at 1/4,000 feet. Target indicators in bombight. Target appeared to be well clustered with incendiaries. Aircraft hit by flak.	A-506
11th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD. 500	R/O R.F. Hinks R/O J.R. Scott W/Ogt. Hughes, S.H. Sgt. Symons, S.V. Sgt. Morrison, R.R. W/Ogt. Dell, G.H. R/O S.H. Wood	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	22.35	04.25	Successful. Target DUSSELDORF with bomb load as above. Visibility clear apart from low strata or smoke over target area. Target indicators in bombight. Aircraft hit by flak before, after and whilst bombing.	A-507
11th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD. 425	R/O M.K. Liddle R/O G.A. Wright Sgt. McGown, A.S. Sgt. Smith, G.E. Sgt. Scott, V.L. Sgt. See, D.R. Sgt. de Meliter	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.37	02.13	Unsuccessful. Target DUSSELDORF with bomb load as above. Returned from 52° 05'N - 03° 38'W with intercom and rear turret H/S. Bomb load jettisoned from 11,000-ft. at 00.52 hours. Position 52° 13'N 03° 40'W.	A-508
14th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD. 576	Sgt. Burdson, R. Sgt. Laidford, V.H. Sgt. Ford, R.H.A. Sgt. Valsby, D.H. Sgt. Hibson, R. Sgt. Glavin, W. W/Ogt. Butkin, W.G. R/O R. Fowler	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	22.43	04.26	Unsuccessful. Target DUSSELDORF with bomb load as above. Returned early with intercom H/S. Bomb load jettisoned from 6,000 feet at 00.04 hours. Position 53° 17'N 02° 31'W.	A-509

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11th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD. 616	Sgt. Kirkham, R.D. Sgt. Taylor, A.K. Sgt. Whitaker, R.B. Sgt. Callaghan, R.J. Sgt. Hamilton, R.J. Sgt. Mills, J.A. Sgt. Gray, R.L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.36	02.19	Unsuccessful. Target DUSSELDORF with 1 x 2,000-lb. H.C. 48 x 38-in. and 500 x 48-in. incendiaries. Bombs burst early from 52,000 ft. 50% of bombs as pilot had no fuses. Bomb load jettisoned from 7,000 feet at 04.00 hours. Position 52 47N 02 11E.	A-510
11th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD. 504	P/O F.A. Hodson P/O R.K. Giddals Sgt. Wightman, H. Sgt. Norman, G.E. Sgt. Poole, S. Sgt. Pyley, R.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.48	03.53	Successful. Target DUSSELDORF with bomb load as above. Small amount of cloud but visibility good and target area visible. Target indicators in bombight. Two big explosions seen, also six large fires. Whole target area well exposed. Not glow visible from DUSSELDORF on way home.	A-511
11th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD. 163	W/Obr. H.H. Manning P/O G.H. Foster P/O A.P. Smith Sgt. Hall, R.G. Sgt. York, J.E. Sgt. Clarke, G.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.44	03.50	Successful. Target DUSSELDORF with bomb load as above. Visibility good above cloud. Low strata below about 5,000 feet, ground not visible. Target indicators in bombight. No results observed.	A-512
11th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD. 114	Sgt. Malton, J. P/O G.J.H. Harvey Sgt. Gray, R.H. Sgt. Brown, A.D. Sgt. Matthews, R.H. Sgt. Richards, J.J. Sgt. Day, K.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.32	04.12	Successful. Target DUSSELDORF with bomb load as above. Visibility good. Thin layer of cloud with tops 7,000 feet. Target indicators in bombight. One large red fire seen and a good concentration of incendiaries.	A-513
11th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD. 323	P/Ogt. Gray, H.H. P/Ogt. Hancock, G.D. P/Ogt. Saunders, R.V. Sgt. Lee, G.S. Sgt. Wilby, G. Sgt. Dally, J.W. P/O R. Harding P/O L.G. Buchanan	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot (L28 Engine)	22.45	04.07	Successful. Target DUSSELDORF with bomb load as above. Visibility good apart from smoke and haze over target. Target indicators in bombight. Streets and buildings seen, and two large and many medium sized fires. A very successful raid.	A-514
11th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD. 210	P/O R.A.H. Bell P/Ogt. White, H.J. P/Ogt. Greenleaf-Chapman Sgt. Johnson, J.B. Sgt. Taylor, V.B. Sgt. Brown, J.F. P/Ogt. Allen, G.H. Sgt. Small, S.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	22.50	03.42	Successful. Target DUSSELDORF with bomb load as above. Thin cloud over target area with tops about 10,000 feet. Target indicators in bombight. A concentrated attack. Several good red fires seen, with smoke rising to about 5,000 feet.	A-515

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11th/12th June	HALIFAX II W. 798	P/O J. W. E. Tyler Sgt. Gools, V.R. Sgt. McLean, V.A.M.C. Sgt. Watson, R.A. Sgt. Brown, R.C. Sgt. Ridley, R.C. Sgt. Soudis, J.A.M.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.36	02.26	Unsuccessful. Target DUNDELOFF with 1 x 2,000-lb. H.G., 48 x 20-lb. and 630 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Returned early from SE 20°N 05 30°E with port outer engine failure. Bomb load jettisoned from above position at 00.45 hours. Height 11,500 feet.	A-516
10th/12th June	HALIFAX II Jb. 214	P/O R.G. Williams P/O G.A. Shannon P/O A.A. Bourdier Sgt. Hayes, R.A. Sgt. Halseworth, A.M. Sgt. Usher, S. Sgt. Le Sells, S.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.47	01.15	Unsuccessful. Target DUNDELOFF with bomb load as above. Returned early from SE 20°N 01 00°E owing to icing. Bomb load jettisoned from 15,000 feet at above position at 00.15 hours.	A-517
11th/12th June	HALIFAX II Jb. 965	P/Lt. J.R. Peterson P/Sgt. Williams, R.J. P/O J.A. Pomeroy Sgt. Jackson, F. Sgt. Lee, V. Sgt. Simpson, J. P/Sgt. Brown, J.A.H. Sgt. Mathew, R.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner 2nd Pilot	22.32	03.57	Successful. Target DUNDELOFF with bomb load as above. Visibility good. Concentration of fires in bombight at time of bombing. Many bursts seen and good concentration of fires.	A-518
11th/12th June	HALIFAX II W. 689	Sgt. Gaulton, G.M. P/O R.A. Massey P/Sgt. Fitzpatrick, O. Sgt. Brown, J.A. Sgt. Pollard, G.H. Sgt. Child, P.G. Sgt. Brown, W.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.30	04.31	Successful. Target DUNDELOFF with bomb load as above. This target at cloud of 12/14,000 feet. No ground detail visible. Fires seen through cloud. Target appeared to be well carpeted with incendiaries. Red glow visible from DUNH 0042 on return journey.	A-519
12th/13th June	HALIFAX II Jb. 505	Sgt. Austin, A.V.G. P/O R.H. Massey Sgt. Smith, J.H. Sgt. Barrett, S.H. Sgt. Foster, E. Sgt. Dixon, R.H. Sgt. McConnell, G.J.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.21	04.26	Successful. Target BOGHEM with 1 x 1,000-lb. H.G., 1 x 1,000-lb. M.B., 48 x 20-lb. and 630 x 4-lb. incendiaries. No cloud over target, smoke in bombight. One large explosion seen accompanied by mass of flames. South part of target well lit. Many fires seen and a large area covered by incendiaries.	A-520
12th/13th June	HALIFAX II Jb. 152	P/O G.H. Macintosh P/O E.V. Harold Sgt. Hancock, S.H.G. Sgt. Davies, H.E. Sgt. Day, H.H. Sgt. Lamb, A.F. P/O H.L. Noble Sgt. Chapman, S.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	23.05	04.17	Successful. Target BOGHEM with 1 x 2,000-lb. H.G., 48 x 20-lb. and 630 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Visibility good, smoke in bombight. No results observed. Concentrated fires seen and white area seemed to be well carpeted. Fires and smoke seen to be billowing up.	A-521

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12th/13th June	HALIFAX II W-424	P/O S.M. Reed Sgt. Walters, G.R. Sgt. Hobson, E.G. Sgt. Hobson, J.J. Sgt. Elyth, G. Sgt. Thornton, D. Sgt. Dolly, J.V.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.12	00.17	Unsuccessful. Target BOHEM with 2 x 1,000-lb. H.G., 48 x 30-lb. and 630 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Returned early with engine trouble. Bombs jettisoned safe from 2,400 feet at 23.47 hours.	A-522
12th/13th June	HALIFAX II W-427	P/Sgt. Piper, R.J. P/O A.L. Witter Sgt. Jordan, R.G. Sgt. Gunner, G.R. Sgt. Hallworth, A.W. Sgt. Brown, G.A. Sgt. Brown, J.L.R.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.10	02.17	Unsuccessful. Target BOHEM with bomb load as above. Returned early from 53 40'N 02 40'W owing to main W/W bomb aimer and rearview being W/E. All bombs, apart from 1 x 1,000-lb. H.G., jettisoned from 46,000 feet at 00.45 hours.	A-523
12th/13th June	HALIFAX II W-425	P/O M.E. Ludlow P/O G.A. Wright Sgt. McQueen, A.G. Sgt. Smith, G.M. Sgt. Scott, K.L. Sgt. See, R.R. Sgt. de Molder, W.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.22	00.57	Successful. Target BOHEM with 1 x 2,000-lb. H.G., 48 x 30-lb. and 630 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Returned early with intercom W/E. Bombs jettisoned safe at 24.24W 01.05'N from 8,000 feet at 00.09 hours.	A-524
12th/13th June	HALIFAX II W-376	Sgt. Harrison, E. Sgt. Ledford, W.H. Sgt. Ford, E.A. Sgt. Hulse, R.H. Sgt. Ebers, H. Sgt. Glavin, E. P/Sgt. Duffin, W.G. P/O R. Foster	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	23.09	00.40	Successful. Target BOHEM with bomb load as for Aircraft W-1235. Visibility good but haze over target area. Bombs in bombight at time of bombing. Several large fires seen over a wide area. Aircraft sustained damage to port wing and starboard engine.	A-525
12th/13th June	HALIFAX II W-616	Sgt. Adams, R.R. Sgt. Taylor, W.H.A. Sgt. Williams, H.L. Sgt. Callaghan, R.H. Sgt. Swaine, R.S. Sgt. Hill, J.A. Sgt. Gray, D.L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.00	-	This aircraft took off to attack BOHEM with bomb load as for Aircraft W-1235 above but nothing further was heard from it after take-off, and its failure to return is presumed to be due to enemy action.	A-526
12th/13th June	HALIFAX II W-423	Sgt Lt. R.S. Parry Sgt. Cunningham, E. Sgt. Parry, G.G. Sgt. Gilchrist, J.G. Sgt. Stewart, J. Sgt. Foster, D.L. Sgt. Lynch, J.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.14	00.35	Successful. Target BOHEM with bomb load as for Aircraft W-425 above. Visibility good. Lights seen on ground but no sound. Bombs in bombight but no results observed. Five scattered but huge white flash seen at 02.25 hours before crossing the target area.	A-527

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12th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD.144	Capt. McArthur, J. P/O G.L.H. Murray Sgt. Kenny, R.H. Sgt. Brown, A.S. Sgt. MacLellan, R.S. Sgt. McNamee, J.S. Sgt. Ross, R.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.08	02.08	Unsuccessful. Target BOEHM with 4 x 2,000-lb. H.C., 18 x 50-lb. and 630 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Returned early on account of engine trouble. Bombs jettisoned from 46,000 feet at 01.05 hours. Position 53-12'N - 02-40'W.	A-528
12th/12th June	HALIFAX II No. 343	P/O G.W. Gray, R.H. P/Sgt. Bennett, G.O. P/Sgt. Saunders, R.V. Sgt. Lee, G.E. Sgt. Wilby, G. P/Sgt. Bennett, R.S. P/O E. Mackay Sgt. McDonald, R.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	23.05	01.20	Successful. Target BOEHM with bomb load as above. Low cloud over target area. Target was identified by markers which were in bushlight. On approach not observed but fires were seen, and one big explosion with red flame in centre of markers. Rear Gunner shot down 2 bombs which attacked the Halifax.	A-529
12th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD.210	P/O R.A.E. Bell P/Sgt. White, G.L. P/Sgt. Donaldson, G. Sgt. Atkinson, J.R. Sgt. Taylor, W.H. Sgt. Graham, J.H. P/Sgt. Wilson, G.H. Sgt. McFall, S.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	23.07	01.05	Successful. Target BOEHM with bomb load as above. Visibility good from 23000 to target area but very heavy over target. Letter identified by markers. S.E. in bushlight but no results observed. Good concentration of fires in southern section of target area, otherwise small and scattered fires. Detonated markers and not particularly accurate. Considerable fires and searchlights seen at target.	A-530
12th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD.222	P/O J.M.H. Taylor Sgt. Cook, R.H. Sgt. Wilson, G.A.S. Sgt. Brown, R.S. Sgt. Hilday, R.G. Sgt. Bourne, J.A.M.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.13	01.01	Successful. Target BOEHM with bomb load as above. Cloud over target but clear over outer defences. Markers in bushlight. No results observed. Did not appear to be a very effective raid.	A-531
12th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD.265	P/O J.R. Pattison P/O A.L. Russell P/O L.S. Brown Sgt. Jackson, F. Sgt. Lee, V. P/Sgt. Thompson, F. P/Sgt. Brown, J.A.L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.01	01.29	Successful. Target BOEHM with bomb load as above. Bomb clear. Target identified by markers. S.E. in bushlight. Fires seen to the south. On approaching target a large explosion was seen in centre of the S.E. with a mass of flame.	A-532
12th/12th June	HALIFAX II JD.609	Sgt. Gordon, G.H. P/O E.S. Mackay Sgt. Brown, R.H. Sgt. Brown, R.S. Sgt. Booth, R.L. Sgt. Child, R.S. Sgt. Brown, R.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.02	01.12	Successful. Target BOEHM with bomb load as above. Visibility good. Markers seen to go down in target area. Red glow in bushlight. On run-up to and over target good fires were seen to be burning and well concentrated. Rear Gunner shot down 2 night fighters which attacked on down down 50 miles from BOEHM ROAD.	A-533

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19th/20th June	HALIFAX II 2B-805	Sgt. Fry, K.D. Sgt. McGowan, P.S. P/O J.A. Williams Sgt. Fenton, W. Sgt. Moss, A.E. Sgt. Crossin, D.A. Sgt. Howell, E.Z.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O.A.S. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.59	05.49	Successful. Target SHERIDAN WORKS AT LE GRONBOZ with 3 x 500-lb. M.O.M.I.D., 2 x 1,000-lb. M.O., 2 x 500-lb. M.O. Visibility clear with smoke haze over target. Lake clearly seen to south of target. A/P in bombight. Remainder of target obscured by smoke. One large fire at N-W of lake, just west of A/P. Results good. Haze pall of smoke, fumes, and a glow visible from 60 miles.	
19th/20th June	HALIFAX II 2B-155	P/O G.L. Macintosh P/O H.V. Murray Sgt. Hanson, E.J.R. Sgt. Dunlop, H.E. Sgt. Day, G.S. Sgt. Lewis, A.J. P/O H.L. Noble	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O.A.S. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.47	05.22	Successful. Target SHERIDAN WORKS AT LE GRONBOZ with 1 x 1,000-lb. M.O.S.B.O.025, 2 x 500-lb. M.O.M.I.D., 1 x 1,000-lb. M.O., 2 x 500-lb. M.O.S.B.O.025. No cloud, perfectly clear. Target identified visually and by flares. A/P in bombight. One burst seen on building just west of A/P. Heavy flak at GRN but very little over target.	A-535
19th/20th June	HALIFAX II 2B-375	P/O H.L. Kiddle P/O H. Puffer P/O A.S. Winfield Sgt. Coburn, G.S. Sgt. Kiddan, H.E. Sgt. Hurst, R.A. Sgt. Lorange, J.A.	Captain 2nd Pilot Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O.A.S. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.55	05.31	Successful. Target SHERIDAN WORKS AT LE GRONBOZ, with bomb load as for aircraft 2B-155 above. Visibility poor, target being partially obscured by heavy, greyish-white smoke. Target recognized by flares and reflection of moon on water. Good concentration of bombs around A/P.	A-536
19th/20th June	HALIFAX II 2B-900	Sgt. Williams, I.P. P/Sgt. Galden, W.E. P/O Taylor Sgt. Pugh, J. Sgt. Galloway, J.H.R. Sgt. Chmielewski, H. P/Sgt. Christie, D.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O.A.S. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.05	05.07	Successful. Target SHERIDAN WORKS AT LE GRONBOZ with bomb load as for aircraft 2B-805 above. Visibility good. Smoke over target. Very light and inaccurate flak encountered at target. What appeared to be enemy fumes lit up about 5 miles north-east of target.	A-537
19th/20th June	HALIFAX II 2-1255	Sgt. Harrison, R. Sgt. Lottick, H.H. Sgt. Ford, R.F.H. Sgt. Walker, R.E. Sgt. Wilson, E. Sgt. Gish, V. Sgt. Kohn, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O.A.S. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.57	05.44	Successful. Target SHERIDAN WORKS AT LE GRONBOZ with bomb load as for aircraft 2B-805 above. Smoke and haze patchy up to 500 feet. Smoke patterns seen on the way in and white flares over target. A/P thought to be in bombight. One big explosion at 02.10 hours near A/P.	A-538
19th/20th June	HALIFAX II 2B-204	P/O E.G. Weston P/O Campbell P/O R.E. Shields Sgt. Westcott, M. Sgt. Irvine, G.E. Sgt. Poole, S. Sgt. Flyler, R.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O.A.S. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.50	05.56	Successful. Target SHERIDAN WORKS AT LE GRONBOZ with bomb load as for aircraft 2B-155 above. Visibility good, but smoke haze over target. Lake became visible in bombight. One bomb seen to burst on this building, white flares lit up target area. Greyish-black smoke billowing up to 4,000 feet.	A-539

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19th/20th June	HALIFAX II JD.163	Sgt. Coulson, G.H. P/O W.S. Manning Sgt. Hayes, G.E. Sgt. Brown, J.A. Sgt. Booth, R.A. Sgt. Child, R.E. Sgt. Hoel, W.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.52	05.19	Successful. Target SCHNEIDER WORKS AT LE GRUBOEF with 3 x 500-lb. M.C.M.L.D., 2 x 1,000-lb. M.G., 9 x 500-lb. M.C.E.D.O.025. Visibility clear apart from smoke from flares. Large lakes not seen but factory buildings seen near small lake which was reflecting moon. One bomb not seen to burst. About six light puffs and two heavy to the north.	A-540
19th/20th June (Crew attached from 428 Squadron)	HALIFAX II DE.798	Sgt. Clough, H. Sgt. Gurdick, A. Sgt. Symcox, H.F. Sgt. Evans, H. Sgt. Williams, S.J. Sgt. Dunfield, J.L.R. P/O R.J. Andrews	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.00	05.00	Successful. Target SCHNEIDER WORKS AT LE GRUBOEF with bomb load as above. By the time aircraft arrived over target smoke made observation difficult, a slight and inaccurate light and heavy flak was encountered. No searchlights seen.	A-541
19th/20th June	HALIFAX II JD.214	P/O R.A. H. Bell P/Sgt. White, H.L. P/Sgt. Villiers, R.C. Sgt. Armstrong, J.D. Sgt. Taylor, W.B. Sgt. Graham, J.E. P/Sgt. Athan, G.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.51	05.01	Successful. Target SCHNEIDER WORKS AT LE GRUBOEF with bomb load as above. Visibility good and target identified visually. No results of own bombing observed, but one white building was seen in plain sight. Very little light flak and some heavy over target.	A-542
19th/20th June	HALIFAX II JD.965	P/O J.A. Patterson P/O A.L. Russell Sgt. Barrie, A.G. P/O A.L. Smith Sgt. Alden, J.G. Sgt. Nelson, H.F. P/O R.J. Wagner	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.48	05.28	Unsuccessful. Target SCHNEIDER WORKS AT LE GRUBOEF with bomb load as above. Unable to identify target. Visibility poor over target area with heavy smoke (probably from flares and industries). Smoke screen on west side of town. Two very small explosions in smoke of target. Bombs jettisoned 02.05 hours from 47 3/4° N 02 47' E.	A-543
19th/20th June	HALIFAX II JD.147	P/O R.H. Frost Sgt. Pope, H.R. P/Sgt. Brown, A.A.A. P/O R.C. Woodhouse Sgt. Johnson, S.H. P/Sgt. Barber, L. Sgt. Archer, R.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.56	05.12	Successful. Target SCHNEIDER WORKS AT LE GRUBOEF with bomb load as above follows:- 1 x 1,000-lb. M.C.E.D.O.025 5 x 500-lb. M.C.M.L.D., 4 x 1,000-lb. M.G., 9 x 500-lb. M.C.E.D.O.025. No cloud but very flares and much smoke over target. Factory building and lakes clearly seen in moonlight. Own targets not seen but bombs seen to burst in middle of GRUBOEF WORKS.	A-544
19th/20th June (Crew attached from 428 Squadron)	HALIFAX II W.1271	P/Sgt. Brown, G.E. P/Sgt. Child, H.E. Sgt. Thompson, G.H. Sgt. Marshall, W.J. Sgt. Holland, J. P/Sgt. Nelson, H.L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.53	05.23	Successful. Target SCHNEIDER WORKS AT LE GRUBOEF with bomb load as for aircraft JD.147 above. Owing to heavy white smoke, Captain had to make three runs over target area. Bombs on third run. Bombs seen on building with high chimney. Bright glare seen through smoke both before and after bombing. Landed at HEBAN WOLD owing to shortage of petrol.	A-545

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19th/20th June	HALIFAX II JD-319	2/Sgt. Gray, M.F. 2/Sgt. Hancock, G.O. 2/O W. E. Haddock Sgt. Low, G.H. Sgt. Wilby, G. Sgt. O'Rourke, V.E. 2/O R. Harding	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	21.58	05.28	Successful. Target SCHREIDER WORKS AT LE GRONDOZ with 1 x 1,000-lb. H.C.T.D.G. 085, 3 x 500-lb. H.C.M.L.D., 1 x 1,000-lb. H.G., 9 x 500-lb. H.C.E.S. 0.015. Visibility clear except for flare smoke and bursting bombs. Bombs in bombight. Failed to find A/T 17 and straggled through south where bombs were seen bursting in the KROVILL WORKS but Lakes to the south were not seen.	A-546
19th/20th June	HALIFAX II JD-319	2/O A.S. Gaudin 2/O L.H. Agimelli 2/O G.H. Gibson 2/Sgt. Mitchell, F. Sgt. Martin, R.F. 2/O R.G. Gray Sgt. Cook, R.J.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.02	05.35	Successful. Target SCHREIDER WORKS AT LE GRONDOZ with bomb load as above. Visibility good apart from smoke over target, which prevented exact identification of A/T. A/T 17 in bombight but no bursts seen. Aircraft had to make three runs owing to difficulty in opening bomb doors.	A-547
21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II JD-256	Sgt. Chapman, L. Sgt. Ross, S.H. Sgt. Rhoads, G.H. Sgt. Asher, R.W. Sgt. Stewart, J. Sgt. Forbes, A.L. Sgt. Hill, I.M.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.27	04.56	Successful. Target KROVILL with 2 x 1,000-lb., 48 x 30-lb. and 450 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Excellent visibility. Bright moon. Slight ground haze or smoke. Bombed on S.I. markers but no results seen. <u>None seen</u> and bombs seen bursting in target area. <u>Glow visible 100 miles away.</u>	A-548
21st/22nd June (Crew attached from 429 Squadron)	HALIFAX II JD-305	Sgt. Fry, K.D. Sgt. McDermott, F.B. 2/O J.G. Williams Sgt. Patton, W. Sgt. Ross, A.H. Sgt. Crossen, R.A. Sgt. Hottel, J.J.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.38	05.00	Successful. Target KROVILL with bomb load as for aircraft JD-256 above. Visibility good, no clouds. Bombed on S.I. markers. No results observed. About 50 small red fires seen developing quickly. Large pall of smoke over target. <u>Glow of fires seen from NORTH COAST.</u>	A-549
21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II JD-147	2/Lt. B.H. Jost Sgt. Pope, R.H. 2/Sgt. Bruce, A.W.A. 2/O R.O.S. Goodwin Sgt. Johnson, J.B. 2/Sgt. Barber, L. Sgt. Archer, R.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.28	04.25	Successful. Target KROVILL with bomb load as for aircraft JD-256 above. Haze of thin cloud over target. No ground detail visible. Bombed on S.I. markers. About 20 small fires seen, mostly formed together. <u>Did not appear to be many buildings which were not left in flames.</u>	A-550
21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II JD-158	2/O G.L. Macintosh 2/O K.V. Hammond Sgt. Hancock, R.H.G. Sgt. Darlson, R.H. Sgt. Jay, W.H. Sgt. Lewis, A.J. 2/O W.L. Noble	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.31	04.06	Successful. Target KROVILL with bomb load as for aircraft JD-256 above. Visibility good, bright moon. Bombed on S.I. markers but no results observed. <u>Eight large fires and one large explosion seen. Smoke rising up to 7,000 feet. Captain made target re-see.</u>	A-551

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21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II JD. 900	P/O R.P. Heints P/O J.R. Hart P/Sgt. Turpin, S.E. Sgt. Pugh, W.V. Sgt. Mason, E. Sgt. Morrison, S.E. P/Sgt. Hill, G.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.32	04.05	Successful. Target KNOWN with 2 x 1,000-lb., 48 x 30-lb. and 430 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Visibility good but haze near ground. Bombed on T.I. markers. No results observed.	A-552
21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II W. 1235 (Crew attached from 428 Squadron)	Sgt. Williamson, I.E. P/Sgt. Watkins, W.M. P/Sgt. Parker, H. Sgt. Priday, J. Sgt. Gaskin, J.H.K. Sgt. Chamberlain, E. P/Sgt. Christie, D.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. FLIGHT ENG. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.13	02.31	Unsuccessful. Target KNOWN with bomb load as above. Returned early from 52 50'N 02 55'W with interest. P/Sgt. Parker attached at 54 40'N 02 21'W to change gear landing weight.	A-553
21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II JD. 576	P/O W.H. Kiddle P/O P.S. Dale P/O A.S. Winstill Sgt. Gohann, G.E. Sgt. Kirham, S.R. Sgt. Hurst, E.A. Sgt. Isaacs, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.24	04.32	Successful. Target KNOWN with bomb load as for aircraft above. Visibility good apart from ground haze. Bright moon and very slight cloud. Bombed on green T.I. markers and bombs seem to go into centre of fire concentrations. Great concentrations of fires seen which appeared to be spreading into one large concentration. Smoke estimated up to 10,000 feet.	A-554
21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II JD. 284 155	P/O S.M. Wood Sgt. Baker, G.E. Sgt. Meehan, P.G. Sgt. Nelson, J.J. Sgt. Ryan, E. Sgt. Thomson, B. Sgt. Dally, J.W.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.29	04.50	Successful. Target KNOWN with bomb load as above. Visibility clear. Target identified and bombed by T.I. markers. Bombs thought to hit large building. Bombs well concentrated and large FORBES river seen in target area.	A-555
21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II JD. 284	P/O H. Fowler P/O F.B. Hayes P/O S.E. Agnew Sgt. Stone, E.G. Sgt. Stinson, J.R. Sgt. Otchola, W.A. Sgt. Wood, W.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.37	04.37	Successful. Target KNOWN with bomb load as above. Visibility good, no cloud. Bombed on red T.I. markers. No results observed but target was almost hidden by bomb haze. Target area cleared 20 minutes before arrival owing to intensity of fires. Only danger encountered was from possible collision with other aircraft.	A-556
21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II JD. 163	P/O L.J. Snow Sgt. Cottar, M. Sgt. Gilchrist, S.G. Sgt. Halliwell, A.W. Sgt. A'Hearn, E. P/Sgt. Deakin, W.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.44	04.48	Successful. Target KNOWN with bomb load as above. Visibility good. Bright moon, no cloud but considerable haze on ground haze. Bombed on red and green T.I. markers. No results observed but KNOWN appeared to be wall and truly pranged.	A-557

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21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II JD. 414	Sgt. McIntosh, J. P/O G. M. Murray Sgt. Emery, R.M. Sgt. Henson, A.D. Sgt. McNeill, R.S. Sgt. McKenzie, J.C. Sgt. Doe, R.N.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer P/O, A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.35	04.16	Successful. Target KNOWN with 2 x 1,000-lb., 40 x 50-lb. and 630 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Visibility good, very little cloud. Bombed on T.I. markers but no results observed.	A-558
21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II W. 1271 (Crew attached from 459 Squadron)	Sgt. Pearce, G.H. P/Sgt. Ellis, W.E. Sgt. Simpson, G.J. Sgt. Randall, W.J. Sgt. Holland, J. Sgt. Galloway, J. P/Sgt. Robson, R.L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer P/O, A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.12	-	This aircraft took off to attack KNOWN with bomb load as for aircraft above. Nothing further was heard from it after take-off and its failure to return to base is presumed to be due to enemy action.	A-559
21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II NK 323	P/Sgt. Gray, M.Y. P/Sgt. Hancock, G.O. P/O W.J. McLeod Sgt. Low, G.H. Sgt. Wilby, G. P/Sgt. Hunter, R.S. P/O R. Harding	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer P/O, A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.36	04.40	Successful. Target KNOWN with bomb load as above. Visibility clear near target. Bombed on T.I. markers but results not observed owing to smoke. Defenses considered to be weak. Many large fires seen.	A-560
21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II JD. 210	P/O A.H. Quinlan P/O L.E. Applell P/O G.S. Graham P/Sgt. Mitchell, F. Sgt. Martin, J.F. P/O R.G. Gray Sgt. Cook, R.V.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer P/O, A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.39	04.27	Successful. Target KNOWN with bomb load as above. Visibility heavy. Bombed on T.I. markers. No results observed. A line of lights seen on the ground, some definitely dropped from the air, indicating the track. A very concentrated attack.	A-561
21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II JD. 214	Sgt. Neale, G.V. Sgt. McNeill, R.S. Sgt. Jeffrey, W.H. Sgt. Griffiths, R.J. Sgt. Cleaver, R.A. Sgt. Hurst, R.E. Sgt. McLeod, W.R.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer P/O, A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.26	04.11	Successful. Target KNOWN with bomb load as above. Visibility good. Bombs seem to burst on edge of concen- tration of fires.	A-562
21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II DK. 629	Sgt. Gordon, G.H. P/O W.S. Huxley Sgt. Jones, R.E. Sgt. Brown, J.A. Sgt. Smith, R.H. Sgt. Lapsley, R.A. Sgt. Hill, R.S.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer P/O, A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.38	04.14	Successful. Target KNOWN with bomb load as above. Visibility good. Bombed on T.I. markers. No results observed. A good smoky star of fires, the glow being visible from NOTTINGHAM.	A-563

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21st/22nd June	HALIFAX II JB 965	P/O R.A.M. Bell P/O A.L. Pennell P/Sgt. Williston, R.O. Sgt. Armstrong, S.R. Sgt. Taylor, H.B. Sgt. Graham, J.E. P/Sgt. Aitken, H.R.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.23	03.55	Successful. Target KROFELD with 2 x 1,000-lb., 48 x 30-lb. and 630 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Visibility good, apart from clouds, smoke or haze over target. Bombed on T.I. markers. One terrific explosion seen, with great pall of smoke up to 12/15,000 feet.	A-566
22nd/23rd June	HALIFAX II JD 158	P/O G.R. Macintosh P/O E.V. Harold Sgt. Hancock, R.J.G. Sgt. Davison, H.R. Sgt. Coy, W.R. Sgt. Leuire, A.J. P/O W.L. Noble W/Opt. G.A. McHardy	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	23.36	03.57	Successful. Target MURKIN with 2 x 1,000-lb., 48 x 30-lb. and 630 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Visibility good. Very thin layers of clouds, tops 5,000 feet. Target identified and bombed by T.I. markers. Large explosion seen. Concentrated fires were visible from the DUTCH COAST.	A-565
22nd/23rd June	HALIFAX II JB 900	P/O R.F. Heintz P/O J.E. Hart P/Sgt. Lumbert, S.E. Sgt. Tompkins, G.V. Sgt. Simpson, R. Sgt. Morrison, S.R. P/Sgt. Dell, G.H. Sgt. Cameron, W.D.L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	23.36	04.01	Successful. Target MURKIN with bomb load as for Aircraft JD 158 above. Visibility good except for smoke. Bombed on T.I. markers but results not seen. Two big explosions seen, one of which lit up the whole sky. One large and numerous small fires seen.	A-566
22nd/23rd June	HALIFAX II NK 323	P/Sgt. Gray, H.F. P/Sgt. Hancock, G.O. P/O W.F. McNeil Sgt. Lew, G.H. Sgt. Willy, G. P/Sgt. Brundiff, M.S. P/O R. Harding	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.34	04.07	Successful. Target MURKIN with bomb load as for Aircraft JD 158 above. Target identified and bombed by T.I. markers. One burst seen in concentration of fires. Large fires in target area. KROFELD was seen to be still burning. Fires visible from 20 miles very plainly, over large area.	A-567
22nd/23rd June	HALIFAX II JD 256	Sgt. Chapman, J. Sgt. Ross, H.R. Sgt. Rossen, G.H. Sgt. Asher, G.W. Sgt. Stewart, J. Sgt. Hill, L.M. Sgt. Porter, A.L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.56	05.24	Successful. Mining with 4 x 1,000-lb. mines. Visibility very good, no cloud below. Pinpointed southern tip of HOLLAND. Parachutes seen to open.	A-568
22nd/23rd June (crew attached from 438 Squadron)	HALIFAX II JD 805	Sgt. Fay, K.D. Sgt. McGowan, P.S. P/O J.G. Williams Sgt. Patten, W. Sgt. Ross, A.E. Sgt. Crockett, D.A. Sgt. McNeil, J.F.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.36	03.30	Successful. Mining with 4 x 1,000-lb. mines. Visibility good. Vegetables planted on GSE fire. Parachutes seen to open.	A-569

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22nd/23rd June	HALIFAX II W/1239	Sgt. Williamson, L.F. P/Sgt. Watkins, W.E. P/Sgt. Fisher, Sgt. Fogarty, J. Sgt. Galloway, J.H.R. Sgt. Chamberlain, E. P/Sgt. Christie, D.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23:52	03:45	Unsuccessful. Mining with 4 x 1,000-lb. mines. Shuttle load brought back owing to hang up.	A-570
22nd/23rd June	HALIFAX II HB-376	P/O W.H. Keadie P/O F.S. Hair P/O A.S. Winkell Sgt. O'Brien, G.B. Sgt. Kirchan, K.R. Sgt. Burns, E.A. Sgt. Lenoxy, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23:46	03:43	Successful. Mining with 4 x 1,000-lb. mines. Vegetables successfully planted on GEE fix. Parachute seen to open.	A-571
22nd/23rd June	HALIFAX II JD-290	P/O S.M. Hoard Sgt. Walker, G.H. Sgt. Hudson, P.O. Sgt. Nelson, F.W. Sgt. Smith, R. Sgt. Thomson, D. Sgt. Dally, J.V.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23:49	03:29	Successful. Mining with 4 x 1,000-lb. mines. Visibility very good. - Pigeons north tip of HAILAND. Vegetables planted on GEE fix. Parachute seen to open.	A-572
22nd/23rd June	HALIFAX II JD-163	Sgt. E.A. B.S. Pacey Sgt. Cottenden, H. Sgt. Parrott, G.C. Sgt. Gilchrist, J.G. Sgt. O'Connell, J.H. Sgt. Doe, K.H. P/O R.J. Wagner	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23:54	03:32	Successful. Mining with 4 x 1,000-lb. mines. Visibility good. BRISLAND could be seen visually. Vegetables planted on GEE fix. Parachute seen to open.	A-573
22nd/23rd June	HALIFAX II JD-210	P/O A.H. Quille P/O E.E. Appinell P/O G.L. Graham P/Sgt. Mitchell, F. Sgt. Martin, L.F. P/O E.G. Gray Sgt. Rock, B.T.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23:44	03:37	Successful. Mining with 4 x 1,000-lb. mines. Visibility reasonably good by light of moon, generally poor otherwise. GEE fix obtained on start of homing run about 20 miles from garden. GEE then failed. Parachute seen to open.	A-574
22nd/23rd Gunner	HALIFAX II JD-204	P/O E. Fisher P/O E.B. Hayes P/O E.H. Jones Sgt. Sharp, L.G. Sgt. Wilson, J.H. Sgt. O'Connell, E.G. Sgt. Hood, W.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner			Successful. Mining with 4 x 1,000-lb. mines. Visibility 5/10ths where vegetables were dropped. Parachute seen to open. - some heavy flak seen on BRISLAND HAILAND, but some light flak from flak ships near dropping point, but not on track.	A-575

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22nd/23rd June	HALIFAX II JD. 214	Sgt. Neale, S.V. Sgt. McLaughlin, R.E. Sgt. Jeffrey, W.H. Sgt. Griffiths, D.J. Sgt. Cleaver, E.A. Sgt. Kennell, R.E. Sgt. McLeod, W.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.42	03.22	Unsuccessful. Mining with 4 x 1,000-lb. mines. Visibility poor. 3/10ths cloud. Moon just rising and obscured by cloud. 30 minutes spent trying to locate garden. GEE failed. Whole load brought back.	A-576
22nd/23rd June	HALIFAX II DE. 629	Sgt. Coulson, G.M. P/O W.S. Huxley Sgt. Hayes, W.E. Sgt. Norman, J.A. Sgt. Booth, E.A. Sgt. Child, F.G. Sgt. Clarke, G.V.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.51	03.15	Successful. Mining with 4 x 1,000-lb. mines. Weather good. Run up to 20 miles. Pinned on southern tip of VAINLAND. GEE failed. Parachutes seen to open.	A-577
24th/25th June (Crew attached from 428 Squadron)	HALIFAX II JB. 965	Sgt. Chaplin, M. Sgt. Gardlick, A. Sgt. Spenser, M. Sgt. Evans, M. Sgt. Williams, R.J. Sgt. Sutfield, J.R. P/O R.J. Andrews	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.55	04.47	Successful. Target WUPPERHAL with 2 x 1,000-lb., 48 x 50-lb. and 630 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Visibility good but considerable smoke. Bombed estimated position of harbours and fires. Numerous fires seen and one huge explosion which appeared to rise slowly in mushroom formation. Fires spreading rapidly into one huge conflagration. WUPPERHAL itself weakly defended.	A-578
24th/25th June	HALIFAX II BH. 576	P/O W.N. Kettle P/O F.S. Heller P/O A.B. Winkill Sgt. Coburn, C.S. Sgt. Kirkham, H.R. Sgt. Hurst, K.A. Sgt. Lamage, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.43	04.20	Successful. Target WUPPERHAL with bomb load as for JB. 965 above. No cloud over target. GROUND could be seen in light of photo flashes. Bombed on red T.I. Bombs seen to explode slightly short of markers. Fires were very concentrated and merging into one large blaze.	A-579
24th/25th June	HALIFAX II BR. 323	P/Sgt. Gray, H.P. P/Sgt. Hancock, G.O. P/O W.J. McRishel Sgt. Lee, C.H. Wgt. Wilby, G. P/Sgt. Bennett, M.S. P/O R. Harding Sgt. Cameron, W.D.L.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	22.48	04.26	Successful. Target WUPPERHAL with bomb load as for JB. 965 above. Visibility fair, some cloud about 20,000 feet, and ground haze. Bombed on red markers but no results observed. A concentrated attack and numerous good fires seen. One big explosion seen at 01.11 hours. Defences fairly heavy on way in to target area but quite easy over WUPPERHAL.	A-580
24th/25th June	HALIFAX II JD. 210	P/O A.H. Gottle P/O L.R. Agnall P/O G.E. Graham W/Sgt. Mitchell, P. Sgt. Martin, L.P. P/O R.G. Gray Sgt. Rock, R.J.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.42	04.27	Successful. Target WUPPERHAL with bomb load as for JB. 965 above. Visibility clear and ground visible in light of photo flashes. Bombed on red T.I. markers. Masses of fires very concentrated. Glow from fires visible from DURN COAST.	A-581

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24th/25th June	HALIFAX II DE-689	Sgt. Coulter, G.H. P/O W.S. Ready Sgt. Hayes, W.E. Sgt. Brown, J.R. Sgt. Booth, R.A. Sgt. Child, F.C. Sgt. Darnes, W.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.11	04.51	Successful. Target WUPPERTHAL with 2 x 1,000-lb., 45 x 50-lb. and 450 x 4-lb. incendiaries. No cloud over target but considerable smoke. Bombed on red T.I. but no bursts seen. Mail appeared to be well concentrated with large numbers of both large and small fires burning, and heavy black smoke up to 9/10,000 feet.	A-582
24th/25th June	HALIFAX II JD-214	Sgt. Neale, G.W. Sgt. Macdonald, R.E. Sgt. Jeffrey, W.R.M. Sgt. Griffiths, D.J. Sgt. Cleaver, R.A. Sgt. Kennell, R.E. Sgt. McLeod, W.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.01	-	This aircraft took off to attack WUPPERTHAL with bomb load as above. A R.O.S. was received and a 3rd class fix given at 51 12'N 06 46'E at 01.57 hours. At 01.45 hrs. a 1st class bearing of 118 degs. was given from HILL. Another fix was requested. A 3rd class fix was given from HILL at 01.49 hours 51 56'N 05 52'E. Aircraft then reported that he was unable to send any more messages but the reason is not known. Nothing further was heard.	A-584
24th/25th June (crew attached from 428 Squadron)	HALIFAX II JD-258	Sgt. Whitefield, E. P/O R.J.L. Foster P/O W.A. Donnelly Sgt. Gordon, G. Sgt. Stephenson, P. Sgt. Dora, R.R. Sgt. Kimber, M.F.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.56	-	This aircraft took off to attack WUPPERTHAL with bomb load as above. Nothing further was heard from the aircraft after take-off and its failure to return is presumed to be due to enemy action.	A-585
24th/25th June	HALIFAX II JD-147	P/O R.H. West Sgt. P. G. R.R. Sgt. James, A.V.A. P/O R.G.H. Goodwin Sgt. Johnson, J.R. P/Sgt. Barker, L. Sgt. Austin, R.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.40	-	This aircraft took off to attack WUPPERTHAL with bomb load as above. Nothing further was heard from the aircraft after take-off and its failure to return is presumed to be due to enemy action.	A-583
24th/25th June	HALIFAX II JD-158	P/O G.E. MacIntosh P/O K.V. Harold Sgt. Hancock, R.J.G. Sgt. Davidson, H.E. Sgt. Joy, W.H. Sgt. Lennie, A.J. P/O W.L. Noble P/O G.A. McHenry	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner 2nd Pilot	22.45	04.09	Successful. Target WUPPERTHAL with bomb load as above. Clear over target. Bombed on red T.I. One burst seen. P.F.F. well concentrated. Defenses over the target considered to be heavier than on the previous raid.	A-586
24th/25th June	HALIFAX II W-1235	P/O M.E. Ludlow P/O G.A. Wright Sgt. McEwen, A.E. Sgt. Payne, G.H. Sgt. Scott, W.L. Sgt. Day, R.R. Sgt. de Molder, W.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.55	05.08	Successful. Target WUPPERTHAL with bomb load as per above. Smoke and heat over target up to 10,000 feet. Bombed on red T.I. One large red glow seemed to be very concentrated, and one fire seen due west of target about 1/2 miles away.	A-587

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24th/25th June (Crew attached from 428 Squadron)	HALIFAX II JD. 245	P/O A.E. Redlander P/O R.W. Peckett Sgt. Fisher, J.V. Sgt. Adams, L. Sgt. Bowling, A.F. Sgt. Lewis, S. Sgt. Barclay, F.W.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.54	23.44	Unsuccessful. Target WUPPERHAL with 2 x 1,000-lb., 48 x 30-lb. and 630 x 1-lb. incendiaries. Returned early from 24 35'N 00 30'W. Starboard inner engine failed shortly after take-off. Bomb load jettisoned in sea and aircraft returned to base.	A-588
24th/25th June (Crew attached from 428 Squadron)	HALIFAX II DE. 731	Sgt. Blackmore, W.W. Sgt. Oliver, H.F. Sgt. Wood, W.H.R. Sgt. Richard, J.P.R. Sgt. Williams, F.E. Sgt. Hodson, G.F. Sgt. Seaborn, R.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.58	05.07	Successful. Target WUPPERHAL with bomb load as above. Good visibility apart from smoke. Bombed on T.I. markers. Numerous fires seen rapidly spreading. Raid considered to be concentrated and successful.	A-589
24th/25th June	HALIFAX II JD. 256	Sgt. Chapman, L. Sgt. Phoenix, G.H. Sgt. Jones, G.W. Sgt. Stewart, J. Sgt. Phipps, J.L. Sgt. Hill, J.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.50	04.56	Successful. Target WUPPERHAL with bomb load as above. No cloud below 40,000 feet. Bombed on red T.I. markers. Good concentration of fires round the red T.I. Fuselage and bomb doors of aircraft damaged by flash. Defences very heavy on way to target.	A-590
24th/25th June	HALIFAX II JD. 163	Sgt. Lt. R.J. Perry Sgt. O'Brien, M. Sgt. Parrott, G.G. Sgt. Gilchrist, J.G. Sgt. O'Connell, J.E. Sgt. Potvin, F.W. W/Sgt. Baskin, W.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.47	04.16	Successful. Target WUPPERHAL with bomb load as above. Weather good over target. Bombed slightly to the left of T.I. markers and bursts seen about centre of concentration of fires. Raid appeared to be well concentrated and fires were visible from 50 miles away.	A-591
24th/25th June	HALIFAX II DE. 689	P/O G.V. Patten P/O D.L. Cox Sgt. Mitchell, D.J. Sgt. Bates, L.H. Sgt. Lewis, R.A. Sgt. Morrison, R.E. Sgt. Lindsay, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.00	05.27	Successful. Target WUPPERHAL with bomb load as above. No cloud over target area but much smoke. Bombed on red T.I. but no results observed. Large number of fires seen in target area. Heaviest concentration appeared to be in north-west section.	A-592
24th/25th June	HALIFAX II JD. 980	P/O R.E. Reids P/O G.E. Hart W/Sgt. Douglas, E.E. Sgt. Tomlin, G.V. Sgt. Brown, S. Sgt. Morrison, R.E. W/Sgt. Hill, G.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Op.A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.46	04.07	Successful. Target WUPPERHAL with bomb load as above. Smoke and haze over target. Bombed on red T.I. Concentrated fires seen and two big explosions in centre of target area. Glow of fires visible from DUXIN COAST. Aircraft almost collided with another Halifax on the way home, only missing by inches.	A-593

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25th/26th June	HALIFAX II JD.256	Sgt. Chapman, I. Sgt. Bean, W.E. Sgt. Phoenix, G.H. Sgt. Adams, G.W. Sgt. Stewart, J. Sgt. Porter, A.L. Sgt. Hill, L.M.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.02	04.32	Successful. Target GELSENKIRCHEN with 2 x 1,000-lb., 15 x 30-lb. and 430 x 4-lb. incendiaries. 10/10ths cloud over target, tops 12/13,000 feet. Bombed on R.L. flares. No results seen owing to cloud. Defenses very heavy. Just after landing target area saw two aircraft shot down. More night fighter activity than on any other raid. Many fighter flares seen.	A-596
25th/26th June	HALIFAX II JD.158	F/O G.E. MacEntosh F/O L.V. Harrold Sgt. Hancock, R.F.G. Sgt. Davison, H.K. Sgt. Joy, W.H. Sgt. Landon, A.H. F/O W.L. Noble	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.00	03.58	Successful. Target GELSENKIRCHEN with bomb load as above. 10/10ths cloud over target. Bombed on R.L. flares. Glow of fires seen through cloud and incendiaries seen through the odd breaks. Lot of tracer and fighter flares seen. Northern lights were out, making it brighter than day above cloud.	A-595
25th/26th June	HALIFAX II JD.508	F/O E.F. Beattie F/O S.H. Hart F/Sgt. Douglas, R.L. Sgt. Tompkins, R.V. Sgt. Brown, E. Sgt. Morrison, H.K. F/Sgt. Bell, G.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.07	04.02	Successful. Target GELSENKIRCHEN with bomb load as above. 10/10ths cloud over target area. Very bright star cloud. Bombed on red and green flares but no results seen. Back-sight engine was carried on take-off and had to be half feathered all the way out and burnt. Wireless Operator picked up message on F.R. 2 half way between the enemy coast and landed at 03.12 hours: "Big attack on SLAWFELD by R.A.F."	A-596
25th/26th June	HALIFAX II W.1235	F/O M.R. Toller F/O G.A. Wright Sgt. McLaren, A.G. Sgt. Smyth, G.R. Sgt. Scott, W.L. Sgt. See, B.R. Sgt. de Hollander, W.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	22.58	01.28	Unsuccessful. Target GELSENKIRCHEN with bomb load as above. First inner engine went U/S over base while gaining height. Aircraft returned to base after jettisoning bomb load.	A-597
25th/26th June	HALIFAX II JD.576	F/O W.H. Kiddle F/O F.S. Haff F/O A.S. Washill Sgt. Collins, G.S. Sgt. Kishner, E.R. Sgt. Hurst, R.A. Sgt. Landon, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.04	04.05	Successful. Target GELSENKIRCHEN with bomb load as above. 10/10ths cloud over target. Bombed estimated position of red and green flares. Unable to see result of bombing owing to cloud. One large explosion seen at 04.30 hrs.	A-598
25th/26th June (Crew attached from 488 Squadron)	HALIFAX II HE.791	Sgt. Shindler, J.F. Sgt. Hargry, M.R. Sgt. Wilson, R.B. Sgt. Cooper, H.L. Sgt. Gilling, H.E. Sgt. Mitchell, H.R. Sgt. Beck, R.R.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Opt.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.08	04.44	Successful. Target GELSENKIRCHEN with bomb load as above. 10/10ths cloud over target. Bombed on red and green flares. Appeared to be many fires burning below cloud. One terrific explosion seen through cloud very near AMSTRONG.	A-599

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25th/26th June	HALIFAX II 2B-965	Sgt. Nathaniel R. Sgt. Churchill A.R. Sgt. Murdoch R. Sgt. Malcolm R.E. Sgt. Pollard G.H. Sgt. Burton V.H. Sgt. Macmillan R.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Ops. A.G. P.M. Sgt. Second Gunner Rear Gunner	22.57	04.57	Successful. Target GELBERKIRCHEN with 2 x 1,000-lb 40 x 20-lb and 650 x 4-lb incendiaries. 10/10ths cloud over target. Bombed on Red and Green flares, and concentration of fires seen through hole in cloud. Very accurate to previous attempt of attack owing to cloud.	A. 600
25th/26th June (Attached from No. 449 Squadron)	HALIFAX II 2B-323	P/O. K.R. Knapp P/O. H.L. Thompson Sgt. Davidson G. Sgt. Bradley R.G. Sgt. Williams R. Sgt. Proctor H. W/Sgt. Piddell J.G.R.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Ops. A.G. P.M. Sgt. Second Gunner Rear Gunner	23.05	04.05	Successful. Target GELBERKIRCHEN with bomb load as above. Bombed on marker flares. Scattered red glow seen under cloud. Searchlights ineffective owing to cloud. Two enemy aircraft seen over target.	A. 601
25th/26th June	HALIFAX II 2B-414	Sgt. McInnes J. P/O. G.F. Harvey Sgt. Kenny R.H. Sgt. Russell A.H. Sgt. Holliday R.H. Sgt. McKenzie J.J. Sgt. Doe R.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Ops. A.G. P.M. Sgt. Second Gunner Rear Gunner	23.05	03.53	Successful. Target GELBERKIRCHEN with bomb load as above. 10/10ths cloud over target. Visibility very good above cloud. Bombed estimated position of red and green flares, but no results observed.	A. 602
25th/26th June	HALIFAX II 2B-210	P/O. J.H. Gossie P/O. L.H. Arnold P/O. G. Strachan P/Sgt. Mitchell F. Sgt. Martin L.H. P/O. R.G. Gray Sgt. Cook R.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Ops. A.G. P.M. Sgt. Second Gunner Rear Gunner	22.59	04.13	Successful. Target GELBERKIRCHEN with bomb load as above. 10/10ths cloud over target. Bombed on marker flares disappearing through cloud. One 1,000-lb bomb hung-up, and was released manually over the sea.	A. 603
25th/26th June (Attached from No. 449 Squadron)	HALIFAX II 2B-299	Sgt. Blagden W.H. Sgt. Oliver H.F. Sgt. Cook G.C.S. Sgt. Williams J.K.H. Sgt. Williams P.H. Sgt. Adams G.F. Sgt. Sedman R.G.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Ops. A.G. P.M. Sgt. Second Gunner Rear Gunner	23.06	04.11	Unsuccessful. Target GELBERKIRCHEN with bomb load as above. Visibility good above 10/10ths cloud. Bombed on Red and Green flares. Target area heavily defended, but actual target not exceptionally so. (It was afterwards found that this aircraft still had its bombs on board).	A. 604
25/26th June	HALIFAX II 2B-163	Sgt. Cameron E.L.H. Sgt. Macdon G.H. Sgt. Fisher H.H. Sgt. Duggan I.H. Sgt. Malloy J.E. Sgt. Shaw R.H. Sgt. Ross R.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/Ops. A.G. P.M. Sgt. Second Gunner Rear Gunner	23.01	04.17	Successful. Target GELBERKIRCHEN with bomb load as above. Visibility good above 10/10ths cloud. Bombed on Red and Green flares, but no results observed. Defences not exceptionally heavy over GELBERKIRCHEN.	A. 605

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25/26th June	HALIFAX II	P/Lt. C.A. McHenry P/O. W.G. Coleman P/O. S.M. Boushamp Sgt. Woods, R.C. Sgt. Redding, F. Sgt. Yachison, F. Sgt. Peterkin, F.V.	Captain- Navigator Bomb Almer W/O. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.09	04.27	Successful. Target GELBERKIDEN with 2 x 4,000-lb. 40 x 30-lb. and 600 x 4-lb. incendiaries. 10/10ths cloud over target. Bombed between two Red and Green flares. No results observed but red glow seen through cloud. Considerable amount of fighter activity.	A-606
26th/27th June	HALIFAX II JD. 256	P/Lt. C.A. McHenry P/O. S.G. Coleman P/O. S.M. Boushamp Sgt. Woods, R.C. Sgt. Redding, F. Sgt. Yachison, F. Sgt. Peterkin, F.V.	Captain Navigator Bomb Almer W/O. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.08	04.29	Unsuccessful. Target OLGORH with 2 x 4,000-lb. 40 x 30-lb. and 600 x 4-lb. incendiaries. Bombed early from S.W. 60 GFW because of unknown. Flares did begin before setting course and green glow. Attempts at reidentification failed. I.L.S. obtained. Incendiaries brought back. Landed at base.	A-607
26th/27th June	HALIFAX II JD. 215	W/O. R. Foster P/O. W.L. Hayes P/O. D.H. Agnes P/Lt. A.D. Baine Sgt. Dickson, J.L. Sgt. O'Brien, H.S. Sgt. Hood, R.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Almer W/O. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.01		This aircraft took off to attack OLGORH with bomb load as above. Nothing further was heard from it after becoming airborne and the failure to return is presumed to be due to enemy action.	A-608
26th/27th June	HALIFAX II JD. 900	P/O. R.R. Hadden P/O. J.E. Hart P/Sgt. Tughrak, S.L. Sgt. Simpson, G.V. Sgt. Simpson, R. Sgt. Morrison, H.L. P/Sgt. Bell, O.H.	Captain Navigator Bomb Almer W/O. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.10	04.05	Successful. Target OLGORH with bomb load as above. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 12,000 feet. Glow of flares seen through cloud. F.P.P. route good and punctual. Route flak free.	A-609
26th/27th June	HALIFAX II W. 1235	P/O. H.R. Hoffer P/O. C.L. Wright Sgt. Macfarlan, A.S. Sgt. Swift, W.L. Sgt. See, D.R. Sgt. de Motter, W.	Captain Navigator Bomb Almer W/O. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.05	04.31	Successful. Target OLGORH with bomb load as above. 10/10ths cloud with tops at 40,000 feet. Red glow from flares seen reflected in cloud. One large flare seen. Route flak free. Only one lot of green lead-in flares were seen. Landed at R.A.F. Pershore.	A-610
26th/27th June	HALIFAX II HR. 376	P/Lt. W.H. Fable P/O. R.S. Hird P/O. A.C. Thordahl Sgt. Gorman, G.H. Sgt. KISHNER, K.R. Sgt. Hirth, S.A. Sgt. Loughe, J.A.	Captain Navigator Bomb Almer W/O. A.G. Flight Eng. 2nd Gunner Rear Gunner	23.42	04.30	Successful. Target OLGORH with bomb load as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops at 5,000 feet. Glow from flares seen reflected in clouds. Two big explosions at 04.55 hours and two more at 02.25 hours. Route was flak-free. No flares were seen. Landed at R.A.F. Pershore.	A-611

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28th/29th June	HALIFAX II 3D.204	W/O G.L. Mansfield W/O K.V. Harsholt Sgt. Hancock, R.L.G. Sgt. Davison, R.E. Sgt. Joy, R.E. Sgt. Lewis, A.J. W/O H.L. Noble	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O I.G. Wright Sgt. Gurner Sgt. Gurner	23.06	04.10	Successful. Target GLOWING with 2 x 1,000-lb., 25 x 30-lb. and 600 x 4-lb. incendiaries. 10/10ths cloud, tops 5,000 feet. Glow from fires seen reflected in cloud. P.V.E. good. Route Flak-free. Landed at R.A.F. Farnborough.	A-612
28th/29th June	HALIFAX II 3D.114	Sgt. Mansfield, J. W/O G.L. Harvey Sgt. Kelly, R.E. Sgt. Brown, A.J. Sgt. McMillan, R.E. Sgt. McMillan, J.J. Sgt. Dow, R.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O I.G. Wright Sgt. Gurner Sgt. Gurner	23.11	04.21	Successful. Target GLOWING with bomb load as above. Glow from fires seen reflected in cloud. Heavy smoke rising to 12,000 feet and one large fire seen. Captain made target pass. Landed at R.A.F. Farnborough.	A-613
28th/29th June	HALIFAX II 3D.270	Sgt. Cameron, R.D.I. Sgt. Birchall, R.E. Sgt. Vickers, V.J. Sgt. Duggan, R.H. Sgt. Hillier, J.E. Sgt. Schmitt, R.E. Sgt. Doss, R.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O I.G. Wright Sgt. Gurner Sgt. Gurner	23.09	04.36	Successful. Target GLOWING with bomb load as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops 10,000 feet. Bombed on red and green markers. Glow from fires seen reflected in clouds and one large red flash in target area. Elevator bracing cable shot away, either by fire or jammer with enemy aircraft. Landed at R.A.F. Farnborough.	A-614
28th/29th June	HALIFAX II 3D.010	W/O A.H. Quicke W/O R.R. Appinall W/O G.E. Gordon W/O R. Stewart, P. Sgt. Martin, R.E. W/O R. G. Gray Sgt. Nash, R.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O I.G. Wright Sgt. Gurner Sgt. Gurner	23.07	23.46	Unsuccessful. Target GLOWING with bomb load as above. Returned early from 26°N 00°45'W as port inner engine was overhauling badly. All bombs jettisoned. Aircraft landed at base.	A-615
28th/29th June	HALIFAX II 3D.303	Sgt. Mansfield, J. Sgt. Mansfield, J.A. Sgt. Brown, A.J. Sgt. McMillan, R.E. Sgt. McMillan, J.J. Sgt. Vickers, R.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O I.G. Wright Sgt. Gurner Sgt. Gurner	23.05	04.15	Successful. Target GLOWING with bomb load as above. 2/10ths cloud, tops 5,000 feet. Bombed by marker flares. Glow from marker flares seen reflected in cloud. Good trip with Flak-free route. Landed at R.A.F. Farnborough.	A-616
28th/29th June	HALIFAX II 3D.609	Sgt. Quicke, G.H. W/O R.S. Hooper Sgt. Brown, V.J. Sgt. Brown, J.A. Sgt. Smith, R.E. Sgt. Child, P.O. Sgt. Brown, R.E.	Captain Navigator Bomb Aimer W/O I.G. Wright Sgt. Gurner Sgt. Gurner	23.02	04.15	Successful. Target GLOWING with bomb load as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops 6/8,000 feet. Bombed on marker flares. Glow from fires seen reflected in cloud. 1 x 1,000-lb. bomb jettisoned due to a jammer. P.V.E. excellent good. Successful return with fire all along route. Landed at R.A.F. Farnborough.	A-617

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