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FOR THE MONTH OF **MARCH** 1944.

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				UP	DOWN		
2nd/3rd March	HALIFAX II HL 925	E.144883 P/O Patterson, C.N.G. E.158761 P/O Bailey, W.A. E.129879 Sgt. Deryshire, D.R. 158740 Sgt. Jones, G. 1800967 Sgt. Bolton, W.F. E.196076 Sgt. Chmurski, A.P. E.159253 P/O Bennett, A.G.	P. N. A/O W/O P/O W/O R/O	00.33	06.15	Successful. Target NEULAN LES MUREAUX with 6 x 1,000 lb. H.C. and 9 x 500 lb. H.C. 5/10ths cloud encountered. FFF late, but target well and clearly marked. Good concentration of bomb bursts on target, and some fires noticed.	A-132
2nd/3rd March	HALIFAX II HL 925	159023 P/O J.H. Hamilton 169980 P/O B. Rogers 168896 P/O W.B. Elsey 138747 P/O Spinks, E.S. 1800469 Sgt. Victoria, D.G. 1890004 Sgt. Higgins, W.H. 631745 Sgt. Garcia, M.W.G. E.7305 P/Lt. J.B. Firme	P. N. A/O W/O P/O W/O R/O 2nd P.	00.43	06.23	Successful. Target NEULAN LES MUREAUX with 6 x 1,000 lb. H.C. and 9 x 500 lb. H.C. Visibility good - clear. Bombed in centre of red TI. TI right on target. Bombs exactly on target and some bounding off to shaped areas. Whole area full of bomb bursts. Large white flame followed bomb burst 03.13 hrs. died down immediately. Fairly small concentrated fire seen in centre of target with billows of black smoke.	A-133
2nd/3rd March	HALIFAX II HL 169	G.1325 W/O W.F. Fleasman E.21910 P/O L.A. Rotstein E.2298 P/O D.R. Taylor 121352 P/O Bradley, R.L. G.19702 P/O M.D. Hodill E.193140 Sgt. Tapp, J.E. E.159397 P/O Dho, E.H. G.131 P/O J.L. Husley	P. N. A/O W/O P/O W/O R/O 2nd P.	00.48	06.49	Successful. Target Neulan Les Mureaux with 6 x 1,000 lb. H.C. and 9 x 500 lb. H.C. 5/10th cloud, varying heights, about 5/7,000 ft. Red TI seen in centre of buildings, and whole area full of bomb bursts. Few small fires seen, with much smoke. FFF late, 1 green seen 03.14 hrs. and some red dropped after 03.16. A/O had to orbit to wait for markers.	A-134
2nd/3rd March	HALIFAX II HL 130	J.18075 P/O R.P. Cook E.21910 P/O G.W. Panger E.120893 P/O Campbell, H.H. 169952 P/O R.J. Parker 1019268 Sgt. Grise, J.P. E.169924 Sgt. Legault, A.M. E.176124 Sgt. Robertson, D.W. E.116034 P/O Hartford, G.F.	P. N. A/O W/O P/O W/O R/O 2nd P.	00.38	05.49	Successful. Target NEULAN LES MUREAUX with bombload as above. Visibility clear, no cloud. TI red in H/S on ground. If TI accurate, considered target should be completely wiped out. Ground detail clearly discerned in light of photo flashes.	A-135
2nd/3rd March	HALIFAX II HL 125	E.157826 P/O Hattery, J.G. E.21188 P/O R.M. Love E.146370 Sgt. Long, R.C. E.109823 W/O Chatterton, J.L.E. 160433 Sgt. Mills, A.G. E.188126 Sgt. Wilson, J.J. E.1182668 Sgt. Maguire, D.S.M.	P. N. A/O W/O P/O W/O R/O	00.30	06.01	Successful. Target NEULAN LES MUREAUX with bombload as above. Fairly clear over T/A. tops to 5,000 ft. Bombs appeared mostly dropped in one spot. If TI accurate, considered attack successful. On arriving at T/A, no TI seen, so A/O had to orbit. Bomb/TI markers.	A-136
2nd/3rd March	HALIFAX II HL 203	J.18989 P/O H.E. Burtin E.12583 P/O J. Harkin E.188880 P/O W.R. Maloyson E.26655 P/O W.S. Price 637026 Sgt. Dull, R. E.185380 Sgt. O'Connell, J.G. E.186805 Sgt. Livingstone, R.G.	P. N. A/O W/O P/O W/O R/O	00.41	06.38	Successful. Target NEULAN LES MUREAUX with bombload as above. Bombing appeared to be well concentrated on TI, and attack considered successful. Some fires seen in one concentrated area as A/O on way out. FFF marking late.	A-137

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2nd/3rd March	HALIFAX II NR 780	R.218848 P/O J.D. Quinn R.118841 Sgt. Garraway R.218852 P/O Sgt. James Watts R.139086 Sgt. Edwards, S.E.H. R.218842 Sgt. Swinton, E.J. R.133231 W/O Dwyer, R.O.	P. P. A/S W/O P/S U/G R/G	00.50	06.32	Successful. Target MONTAN LES MURBAUX with 6 x 1,000 lb. MC and 2 x 500 lb. MC. 6/8/10ths cloud, tops 6500 ft. over T/A. On arriving over T/A, A/G got lost in cloud. No red TI seen, and A/G wandered over outskirts of VAREL, but returned to T/A and bombed TI at 03.19 hours. One area appeared well shone, and if this the assembly area, attack considered successful.	A-1348
2nd/3rd March	HALIFAX II JR 201	R.188848 P/O G.M. Spade R.157756 P/S Stokings, W.O.R. R.112603 P/S Thompson, G.O. R.1431076 Sgt. Hallett, A.W. R.1587653 Sgt. Gayer, O.H. R.192024 Sgt. Turner, L.G. R.188825 Sgt. Mason, T.D.	P. N. A/S W/O P/S U/G R/G	00.36	05.51	Successful. Target MONTAN LES MURBAUX with bombload as above. Clear on route to T/A to within 20 miles, tops 9/10,000 ft. Heavy over T/A. Target identified by 2 red TIs. Bombed red TI on ground. Bombs on TIs appeared to have been good. River clearly identified. FFF red TI 6 mins. late.	A-1349
2nd/3rd March	HALIFAX II JR 499	R.128115 P/S Krantz, W.T. R.20924 W/O J. Harris R.159001 Sgt. Scott, A.M. R.134978 Sgt. Thompson, T.H. R.1590804 Sgt. Pallard, M. CAN. 7576 Sgt. Keeler, M. 2209079 Sgt. Ryan, S.G.	P. N. A/S W/O P/S U/G R/G	00.27	06.54	Successful. Target MONTAN LES MURBAUX with bombload as above. 5/6/10ths cloud, base 6500 ft. tops 7500 ft. Bombed TI reds. Buildings identified in light of TI, and one bomb burst in centre of 2 red TIs on ground. Good concentration of fires on target. FFF very late, but target well marked.	A-1350
2nd/3rd March	HALIFAX II JR 131	R.219136 P/O D.H. Hodgson R.20609 P/O A.H. Baker R.146767 P/S Glynn, P.G. R.157965 Sgt. Woodall, A.R. R.1607179 Sgt. Harris, D.W.H. R.58321 Sgt. Auld, P.S. R.1594775 Sgt. Steadman, H.V. R.23762 P/O M.P. Hurdley	P. N. A/S W/O P/S W/O P/S 2nd P.	00.43	05.55	Successful. Target MONTAN LES MURBAUX with bombload as above. Clear over T/A, but A/G ran into cloud for 5 min at 6,000 ft. After bombing. Red TI falling at 05.11 hrs. none seen prior to this, bombed red TI on ground. Target itself not actually recognized. FFF must have been late. Considered successful show, but A/G handicapped by layer of cloud encountered after bombing.	A-1351
2nd/3rd March	HALIFAX II NR 189	R.22162 P/O A.J. Hildrop R.21225 W/O R.V. Daly R.111756 P/S Pyntice, J.W. R.212757 W/O Rogg, J. R.185031 Sgt. Holder, R.E. R.188973 Sgt. Fraser, H.G. R.184167 Sgt. Darnley, L.	P. N. A/S W/O P/S U/G R/G	20.41	06.03	Successful. Target GARDENING in GARDONS ESTUARY with 2 x 1500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 23.59 hours, 15,000 ft., 096 degs. No cloud, good visibility. Saw both parachutes open. Garden identified as course point, on H2S, and visually.	A-1352
3rd/4th March	HALIFAX II JR 130	R.25699 P/O H.R.H. Dyer R.22822 P/O R.A. MacKenzie R.22563 P/O L.D. Spurgeon R.1073076 P/S Brocks, W.R. R.1000567 Sgt. Dalton, W.P. R.288728 Sgt. Smithson, G.D. R.149428 Sgt. Duncan, H.J. R.110434 P/S Hartford, G.F.	P. N. A/S W/O P/S U/G R/G 2nd P.	20.17	05.31	Successful. Target Gardening in GARDONS ESTUARY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 23.58 hours, 15,000 ft., 135 degs. Clear of cloud, but considerable ground haze seen. Both parachutes seem to open. Garden identified as as course point on H2S.	A-1353

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3rd/4th March	HALIFAX II JP. 125 "L"	K.123865 W/O R.13832 P/O R.112995 W/O 104,294.7 Sgt. 1588557 Sgt. K.152421 Sgt. 1559512 Sgt.	W/O P/O W/O Sgt. Sgt. Sgt. Sgt.	Kyjolech, H.G. C.R. Simball McGearty, L.A. Fattie, J.H. Tomball, R.D. Gosner, A.E. Gallagher, G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B W/O P/C	20.10 05.25	Successful. Target Gardening in GARDONS ESTUARY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 23:51 hours, 15,000 ft., 155 degs. No cloud, visibility good. Both paratroopers seen to open.	A-1354
3rd/4th March	HALIFAX II JP. 205 "M"	J.20078 P/O J.19689 P/O G.M.1530 Sgt. 13824.76 Sgt. 12824.76 Sgt. K.195135 Sgt. K.158728 Sgt. K.7905 P/L	P/O P/O Sgt. Sgt. Sgt. Sgt. Sgt. P/L	D.E. Ditcher F.B. Johnson Barton, J.A. Dunlop, B. Hagill, B.J. Turbutt, D.G. P. John, T.M. J.D. Victor	P. N. A/B W/O P/B W/O P/C 2nd P.	20.07 04.08	Successful. Target Gardening in GARDONS ESTUARY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 00:04 hours, 15,000 ft., 129 degs. Visibility very clear. Both paratroopers seen to open, and both vegetables seen to enter water.	A-1355
3rd/4th March	HALIFAX II JP. 201 "N"	J.20065 P/O K.21390 P/O K.213512 P/S 1312250 Sgt. 1801294 Sgt. K.206251 Sgt. K.151215 P/S K.23764 P/O	P/O P/O P/S Sgt. Sgt. Sgt. P/S P/O	H.E. Day J.V. Smith McLellan, J.G. Hayter, A.J. Sweeney, E.W. Hall, J.G. McLellan, R.B. W.P. Barclay	P. N. A/B W/O P/B W/O P/C 2nd P.	20.12 05.50	Successful. Target Gardening in GARDONS ESTUARY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 00:01 hrs., 15,000 ft., 140 degs. Visibility clear no cloud. Both paratroopers seen to open.	A-1356
3rd/4th March	HALIFAX II JP. 131 "O"	J.10929 P/O 120430 P/O K.20162 P/O 213653 P/O 1615050 Sgt. K.173303 Sgt. 2011123 Sgt.	P/O P/O P/O P/O Sgt. Sgt. Sgt.	J.C. Stewart W.E. Coleman S.H.M. Beauchamp S.E. Bedford Richard, W.A. Curran, H.G. Richard, E.E.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B W/O P/C	20.19 05.35	Successful. Target Gardening in GARDONS ESTUARY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Visibility perfectly clear. Gardened at 23:48 hours, 15,000 ft., 133 degs. Both paratroopers seen to open.	A-1357
4th/5th March	HALIFAX II HE.189 "P"	J.13055 P/O J.21748 P/O J.19708 P/O R.125013 W/O 1571133 Sgt. 1821772 Sgt. J.16079 P/L	P/O P/O P/O W/O Sgt. Sgt. P/L	H.E. Brown L. Locke F.S. Flumer Cross, J.J. McDonald, W. Whitcross, F. L.J. Tom	P. N. A/B W/O P/B W/O P/C	22.14 03.59	Successful. Target Gardening in WEST HARBOUR with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 00:59 hours, 15,000 ft., 139 degs. Patchy cloud 4/10ths, tops 6,000 ft. Quiet successful trip. Winds stronger than briefed. Both paratroopers seen to open. A/C landed at LEMING.	A-1358
4th/5th March	HALIFAX II HE.325 "Q"	159823 P/O 169280 P/O 164496 P/O 1587471 P/S 1806445 Sgt. 1890004 Sgt. 651746 Sgt.	P/O P/O P/O P/S Sgt. Sgt. Sgt.	F.B. Hamilton B. Rogers W.E. Elmy Spinks, H.E. Vickers, D.G. Wiggins, W.N. Harris, E.W.G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B W/O P/B	22.10 04.06	Successful. Target Gardening in WEST HARBOUR WITH 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 00:55 hrs., 15,000 ft., 150 degs. Visibility good, very clear. A/C landed at LEMING.	A-1359

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4th/5th March	HALIFAX II JP 201	G.1395 W/O W.P. Flanagan J.21910 P/O L.A. Robinson J.22498 P/O D.R. Taylor 1213528 P/S Baskin, R.H. G.19702 P/O M.D. McGill R.193140 Sgt. Tagg, J.N. R.159397 P/S Ince, R.H.	P. M. A/S W/O P/A U/O P/O	22.17	03.56	Successful. Target Gardening in WEST HARBOUR with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Patchy cloud, tops 5,000 ft., 5/10ths density. Visibility good. Successful trip, -- both parachutes seen to open. A/C landed at LEBMING.	A-1360
4th/5th March	HALIFAX II JP 151	R.15336 P/O R.H. McQueen R.20609 P/O A.R. Baker R.146767 P/S Clapp, F.C. 1575657 Sgt. Woodall, A.E. 1607272 Sgt. Harris, D.W.R. R.28322 Sgt. Laid, F.H. 1590775 Sgt. Stephenson, K.V.	P. P. A/S W/O P/A U/O P/O	22.05	04.12	Successful. Target Gardening in WEST HARBOUR with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 00.58 hours, 15,000 ft., 155 degs. 5/10ths cloud encountered, tops 7,000 ft., visibility good. Coned by 8/1s over 2/1s, took evasive action and lost 8/1 after being coned intermittently for approx. 5 mins. A/C landed at LEBMING.	A-1361
4th/5th March	HALIFAX II JP 202	G.2665 P/L E.G. Barker R.28609 P/O E.C. Philp R.31125 P/O J.A. Neal R.57207 P/O Boyd, J. 1537078 Sgt. Kemp, A.E. 2240338 Sgt. Hinton, W.F. R.188159 Sgt. Lynch, J.R.	P. M. A/S W/O P/A U/O P/O	22.07	04.08	Successful. Target Gardening in WEST HARBOUR with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 01.01 hrs., 15,000 ft., 158 degs. Visibility clear, 2/10ths cloud, tops 5,000 ft. Mixed gardening on first run, so did an orbit and dropped vegetables on second run. A/C landed at LEBMING.	A-1362
6th/7th March	HALIFAX II LW 325	159023 P/O J.G. Hamilton 169980 P/O B. Rogers 169496 P/O W.E. Hony 1387471 P/S Spinks, E.H. 1806465 Sgt. Vickers, D.G. 1890004 Sgt. Wiggins, W.H. 651746 Sgt. Harris, K.W.J.	P. M. A/S W/O P/A U/O P/O	18.04	00.02	Successful. Target TRAPES with 8 x 1,000 lb. GP and 7 x 500 lb. HE. Bombed centre of PFF markers. Bombs seen to burst in concentration of red FI markers. 5/10ths scattered cloud encountered. A/C landed at ABINGDON.	A-1363
6th/7th March	HALIFAX II HL 189	R.137426 W/O McNary, J.B. R.21188 P/O R.H. Long R.145770 Sgt. Long, Eric R.109829 W/O Dunsford, J.W.E. 1604189 Sgt. Hill, A.G. R.168125 Sgt. Wilson, J.J. R.183560 Sgt. Sangster, D.S.M.	P. M. A/S W/O P/A U/O P/O	18.01	23.15	Successful. Target TRAPES with bombload as above. 5/10ths scattered cloud at 10,000 ft. BOMBING PFF MARKERS. A/C on target early, no fire seen. Not as predicted. Red FI well placed and good concentration, but appeared to be 1/2 minutes early.	A-1364
6th/7th March	HALIFAX II JP 130	J.18875 P/O D.N. Good J.21308 P/O O.W. Fonger 1120893 P/S Campbell, R.E. 169952 P/O R.J. Parker 1619268 Sgt. Grivie, J.W. R.169934 Sgt. Legendt, A.E. R.176124 Sgt. Robertson, R.W.	P. M. A/S W/O P/A U/O P/O	18.17	23.06	Successful. Target TRAPES with bombload as above. BOMBING PFF MARKERS. Red FI seen during on the railway lines which could be seen in the light of flares. Many sticks of bombs seen bursting through the PFF's but some under-loads also seen. Concentration of aircraft appeared to be exceptionally good.	A-1365

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6th/7th March	HALIFAX II JP. 125 "A"	J.5699 J.22582 J.22583 J.27970 J.280967 R.208796 R.165290	S/L. H.R.F. Dyer P. P/O R.A. MacKenzie N. P/O L.D. Swanton A/B P/S Brooks, W.B. W/O Sgt. Bolton, W.F. W/S Sgt. Drivings, G.S. W/O Sgt. Dunson, R.J. W/O	F.	18.11	23.08	Successful. Target TRAFFES with 8 x 1,000 lb. GP and 7 x 500 lb. MG. Visibility clear, very slight haze. West side of marshalling yards seen visually and later. Bombs in centre of TFF markers. Photo-flashes were very concentrated, which indicated a good raid. Bombs seen to burst on red TI. If TFF good, raid should be a success.	A-1366
6th/7th March	HALIFAX II JP. 203 "A"	J.30078 J.19609 J.28451 J.317446 J.282876 R.193135 R.158726	P/L B.E. Debever P. P/O T.B. Johnson N. P/L D.W. Haseldine A/B Sgt. Dorney, Th. W/O Sgt. Baylis, R.J. W/S Sgt. Turbitt, R.G. W/O Sgt. Robb, T.M. W/O	F.	18.14	23.19	Successful. Target TRAFFES with bombload as above. Visibility clear over target. A/C bombed at beginning of attack -- unable ascertain accurate results, although fires observed started as A/C left T/A. First TI seen falling at 20.44 hours. One stick of bombs seen overshooting the target. TFF marking considered good.	A-1367
6th/7th March	HALIFAX II HR. 780 "A"	J.28404 J.28640 J.251879 J.253903 J.283801 R.139838 958380	P/S MacJarrow, G.H. P. P/O P. Lee N. Sgt. Ross, D.S. A/B Sgt. Moore, W.J. W/O Sgt. Fisher, W.F.R. W/S Sgt. Sylvester, V.S. W/O Sgt. Sullivan, R.W.G. W/O	F.	17.59	23.23	Successful. Target TRAFFES with 9 x 1,000 lb. GP, and 6 x 500 lb. MG. Weather clear, visibility excellent. Numerous bombs seen bursting on marshalling yards and in immediate vicinity. No difficulties encountered, quiet trip. Concentration of our A/C over target considered terrific, and good attack should result. A/C landed at LINTON-ON-OWSE.	A-1368
6th/7th March	HALIFAX II JP. 201 "A"	J.10959 J.28430 J.20162 J.13653 J.219080 R.173803 J.81123	P/L J.G. Stewart P. P/O W.E. Coleman N. P/O S.H.B. Beauchamp A/B P/O S.H. Sudford W/O Sgt. Hinkford, W.A. W/S Sgt. Curran, E.C. W/O Sgt. Redcott, E.R. W/S	F.	17.51	00.10	Successful. Target TRAFFES with 8 x 1,000 lb GP, and 7 x 500 lb MG. Visibility clear. A/C bombed primary. Bombing seemed well concentrated, and there were some fires seen. A/C landed at HARWELL.	A-1369
6th/7th March	HALIFAX II JD. 459 "A"	J.23764 J.26057 J.26312 R.111814 J.286700 R.200108 R.172895	P/O W.P. Barclay P. P/O P.G. Haskay N. P/O M. Green A/B W/O Taylor, D.S. W/O Sgt. Afford, R.A. W/S Sgt. Devon, J.L. W/O Sgt. Gibson, D.R. W/O	F.	17.54	23.27	Successful. Target TRAFFES with 9 x 1,000 lb GP and 6 x 500 lb. MG. Bombed primary. Not as predicted. Many A/C still bombing after own A/C left, and attack on Eastern target had commenced and was still in progress when own A/C bombed, or else A/C were attacking wrong target.	A-1370
6th/7th March	HALIFAX II JP. 131 "A"	J.68818 J.577566 R.142803 J.131076 J.587653 J.21772 J.210825	P/O G.M. Beads P. P/S Dickinson, W.O.R. N. P/S Thompson, G.G. A/B Sgt. Hallitt, A.W. W/O Sgt. Stoper, G.R. W/S Sgt. Whitson, P. W/O Sgt. Mason, T.B. W/O	F.	18.09	00.20	Successful. Target TRAFFES with 8 x 1,000 lb GP and 7 x 500 lb. MG. Bombed primary. Weather clear, visibility good. Considered to be a good and easy trip. If markers right on target, consider it to be a good attack. A/C landed at HARWELL.	A-1371

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6th/7th March	HALIFAX II JP. 202 "P"	G.1625	W/L	H.C. Humber	P.	17.65	23.10	Successful. Target TRAPPEE with 8 x 1,000 lb. GP and 7 x 500 lb. MG. Weather clear, slight haze encountered. Bomb bursts observed to be concentrated around red TI markers and fires were started and appeared growing as A/C left the T/A.	A-1372
		J.22605	W/O	S.G. Philip	H.				
		J.25125	W/O	J.A. Neal	A/B				
		E.97357	W/O	Hope, J.	W/O				
		1557278	Sgt.	Kemp, A.H.	B/E				
2220339	Sgt.	Minton, W.F.	U/C						
R.188459	Sgt.	Loynt, J.R.	R/C						
6th/7th March	HALIFAX II JD. 458 "P"	E.128415	W/S	Kreutz, W.F.	P.	18.06	23.23	Successful. Target TRAPPEE with 9 x 1,000 lb GP and 6 x 500 lb. MG. Weather clear, slight haze. TI well concentrated and bomb bursts seen among them. Fairly large orange-coloured fire seen burning slightly E. of the TI after A/C left.	A-1373
		J.20924	W/O	J. Jarris	H.				
		R.159001	Sgt.	Scott, A.H.	A/B				
		1349784	Sgt.	Thompson, T.R.	W/O				
		1590804	Sgt.	Fallard, M.	B/E				
GM. 7674	Sgt.	Bowler, W.	W/O						
2269079	Sgt.	Dye, S.C.	R/C						
7th/8th March	HALIFAX II HR. 925 "P"	J.19595	W/O	H.L. Smith	P.	18.24	00.02	Successful. Target LE MANS with 6 x 1,000 lb. GP and 9 x 500 lb. MG. Target identified by cascading red TIs. First two red TI dropped 21.22 hrs., A/C orbiting for 12 mins. Bombed red glow in E/S, and no results could be observed either visually or audibly of the attack. 10/10ths cloud encountered.	A-1374
		J.23540	W/O	J. Moore	H.				
		J.26540	W/O	W.L. Malaguan	A/B				
		J.26855	W/O	W.E. Price	W/O				
		617026	Sgt.	Hull, R.	B/E				
R.185380	Sgt.	O'Connell, J.C.	U/C						
R.186805	Sgt.	Livingstone, S.G.	R/C						
7th/8th March	HALIFAX II JP. 130 "K"	J.22142	W/O	A.J. Byford	P.	17	00.03	Unsuccessful. Target LE MANS with bombload as above. 8/10ths cloud encountered. Mission abandoned over T/A at 21.23 hrs., 15,000 ft. Full load brought down. A/C arrived in T/A at 21.11 hrs. but no markers seen, although GRS and H2E confirmed A/C in T/A. Made 2 orbits but as no markers seen by 21.23 hrs. returned to base. Bomb flashes seen at 21.37 hrs. in T/A with faint red glow in cloud.	A-1375
		J.21355	W/O	R.V. Daly	H.				
		R.114756	W/S	Prentice, F.W.	A/B				
		1249334	Sgt.	Tenny, R.	W/O				
		1845031	Sgt.	Holder, A.R.	B/E				
R.188973	Sgt.	Fraser, H.G.	W/O						
1834457	Sgt.	Darnley, L.	R/C						
R.128923	W/O	Hobson, R.H.	2nd P.						
7th/8th March	HALIFAX II JP. 203 "P"	R.110454	W/S	Hartford, G.F.	P.	18.26	00.32	Successful. Target LE MANS with bombload as above. 10/10 the cloud. Bombed centre of red TI seen in cloud, and bomb flashes seen around glow of red TI in cloud. Arrived at T/A at 21.12 hrs., no markers seen so orbited while waiting. Markers first seen 21.24 hrs. as A/C had turned for home. Returned to target and saw TI about 21.34 hours.	A-1376
		J.24352	W/O	Johnston, H.D.	H.				
		R.155349	Sgt.	Foster, R.W.	A/B				
		J.27953	W/O	J. Knox	W/O				
		1384674	Sgt.	Butler, R.	B/E				
R.216244	Sgt.	Piotrowski, P.	U/C						
R.172132	Sgt.	Zeit, S.O.V.	R/C						
7th/8th March	HALIFAX II JP. 201 "P"	J.20065	W/O	R.L. Dwyer	P.	18.28	23.59	Successful. Target LE MANS with bombload as above. 10/10ths cloud, tops 5/7,000 ft. After orbiting from 21.11 to 21.21 hrs. red TI seen being dropped through cloud. Steady glow of TI below cloud in E/S. No results could be observed. all A/C appeared orbiting waiting for FFF. Own A/C just about to set course for home when FFF arrived and marking started -- not as briefed.	A-1377
		J.24198	W/O	J.V. Smith	H.				
		R.141512	W/S	McLellan, J.G.	A/B				
		1312230	Sgt.	Hayter, A.J.	W/O				
		1801254	Sgt.	Dezman, L.W.	B/E				
R.206354	Sgt.	Hull, P.G.	U/C						
R.151215	W/S	Salfield, H.B.	R/S						

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				UP	DOWN		
7th/8th March	HALIFAX II HK-189 "B"	J. 7905 P/L J.D. Virtue J. 24821 P/O J.R. Johnson R. 157135 Sgt. Dodds, V.F. R. 107620 W/O Britts, J.A. 1582850 Sgt. Gilbert, P.H. 1354430 Sgt. Davanport, T. R. 167132 Sgt. Stoyke, M.S.	P. L. A/B W/O P/E U/E R/C	18.22	00.21	Successful. Target LE MANS with 6 x 1,000 lb. GP and 9 x 500 lb. MC. 10/10ths cloud. Target identified by glow or red TI on cloud. Bombed centre of red TI seen through gap in cloud. First seen at 21:22 hrs. Some bomb flashes seen through red glow after leaving target. A/C arrived 2/4 at 21:11, no markers observed so omitted for 11 mins. waiting for FFF.	A-1376
7th/8th March	HALIFAX II JD-459 "G"	J. 19088 P/O J.D. Quinn R. 128451 P/S Geres, E.J. J. 25352 P/O D.L. Lewis-Watts 1390386 Sgt. Hickson, P.J.H. R. 51651 Sgt. Petrina, M.J. R. 184242 Sgt. Weeks, D.S. R. 133231 W/O Dwyer, R.O.	P. M. A/B W/O P/E U/G R/G	18.20	00.06	Successful. Target LE MANS with 5 x 1,000 lb. GP and 10 x 500 lb. MC. 10/10ths cloud encountered, tops about 7,000 ft. One red TI seen ascending. Centre of glow of red TI in R/S. Unable to ascertain results owing to cloud cover.	A-1379
7th/8th March	HALIFAX II JP-202 "E"	G. 1625 S/L K.C. Hamber J. 22645 P/O S.G. Philip J. 25145 P/O J.A. Seal R. 97357 P/O Hays, J. 1537078 Sgt. Kemp, A.L. 2220339 Sgt. Hinton, V.F. R. 188459 Sgt. Legst, J.R.	P. M. A/B W/O P/E U/G R/G	18.14	00.07	Successful. Target LE MANS with 6 x 1,000 lb GP and 9 x 500 lb. MC. 10/10ths cloud encountered. Large diffused red glow observed. Glow of TI seen through the cloud. Fullload of bombs brought back.	A-1380
7th/8th March	HALIFAX II JD-468 "G"	J. 23764 P/O W.P. Barclay J. 24057 P/O P.G. Hankey J. 26312 P/O M. Green R. 114814 W/O Taylor, D.S. 1867640 Sgt. Axford, R.A. R. 890309 Sgt. Devon, J.R. R. 272499 Sgt. Gibson, D.R.	P. M. A/B W/O P/E U/G R/G	18.11	19.11	Unsuccessful. Target LE MANS with 5 x 1,000 lb GP and 10 x 500 lb. MC. Operation abandoned at position over base, 18.25 hours, 4,000 ft. Starboard outer engine oil temp. too high. Full load jettisoned safe at 21.45 N 00.12E. 18.46 hours, 4,000 ft. Sea was clear.	A-1381
11th/12th March	HALIFAX II JP-130 "K"	J. 13075 P/O K.T. Cook J. 24318 P/O G.H. Fonger R. 130095 P/S Campbell, H.H. 146958 P/O R.J. Packer 1019265 P/S Grieco, J.F. R. 469974 Sgt. Leggett, A.R. R. 76124 Sgt. Robertson, D.W. G. 48499 P/O H.S. Taylor	P. M. A/B W/O P/E U/G Sgt P.	18.30	01.47	Successful. Target Mining off ST. MARAINE with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. 10/10ths cloud encountered. Garded at 22.00 hours, 15,000 ft. 143 days.	A-1382
11th/12th March	HALIFAX II JP-125 "L"	R. 137425 W/O Kiffin, J.C. J. 21188 P/O J.H. Love R. 145370 Sgt. Long, R.C. R. 109823 W/O Charwood, J.L.B. 1604335 Sgt. Hill, A.C. R. 188126 Sgt. Wilson, J.J. R. 183568 Sgt. Sangster, D.S.H.	P. M. A/B W/O P/E U/G R/G	18.27	01.54	Successful. Target Mining off ST. MARAINE with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. 10/10ths cloud encountered, visibility good above cloud. Garded at 22.37 hours, W/O landed at 'MAYHEW' owing to shortage of petrol.	A-1383

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11th/12th March	HALIFAX II JP 802	C-1395 W/O W.P. Fleessence P 2-25588 W/O Les. Matipin E 2-25590 W/O D.S. Taylor A/P 2-25592 W/O Dudley, R.H. W/O C-19702 W/O K.D. McGill W/O 2-19380 Sgt. Topp, J.R. U/C 2-19387 W/O Ide, R.H. W/O C-105 W/O C.W. Jochi Sgt P.	P E A/P W/O W/O W/O E	18.19	01.53	Successful. Target Mining off ST. HAZARE with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 22.05 hours, 15,000 ft., 138 days. 10/10ths cloud encountered. Both parasites seen to open.	A-1384
11th/12th March	HALIFAX II JP 801	E-1-7817 W/O Halvor, E.H. P 2-15798 W/O Brummer, J.D. E 2-15757 Sgt. Conding, S.A. E E-13919 W/O Claridge, V.T. W/O 2-10932 Sgt. Rigden, S.J. W/O 2-19091 Sgt. Tucker, L.D. U/C 2-19091 Sgt. Dudge, D.R. W/O	P E E W/O W/O U/C W/O	18.19	01.56	Successful. Target Mining off ST. HAZARE with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.54 hours, 15,000 ft., 138 days, 10/10ths cloud encountered. Both parasites seen to open.	A-1385

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				Up	Down		
13th/14th March	HALIFAX II HR. 525	J. 2242 E/O A.J. Byford J. 21325 E/O R.V. Daly R. 114756 E/S Frantice, F.W. R. 55134 Sgt. Tenny, R. R. 50521 Sgt. Holder, A.B. R. 54437 Sgt. Densley, L. R. 355480 Sgt. Johnson, R.R.M.	P. M. A/B W/O P/W U/C E/C	21.52	04.07	Successful. Target LE MANS with 5 x 1,000 lb MG and 10 x 500 lb MG. Target identified by TI red and the river. Bombed centre of red TI. Markers clearly seen with many sticks of bombs bursting across them. Medium orange fire observed going well slightly to N. of markers giving off black smoke with drifted over markers. Considered an accurate attack on markers. Successful.	A-1386
13th/14th March	HALIFAX II HK. 189	J. 21324 E/L H.A. Hewitt J. 19524 E/O J.O.C. Foley J. 21534 E/O H.A. Lee R. 120617 W/O Salaba, J.J. R. 673124 Sgt. Stephenson, J. J. 19961 E/O W.F. Griffiths J. 19961 E/O J.W. Broadhurst C. 26499 E/O W.D. Taylor	P. M. A/B W/O P/W U/C E/C 2nd P.	21.46	03.25	Target LE MANS with bombload as above. Weather clear with slight haze. Target identified by red TI. Bombed centre of red TI. Markers well concentrated, and bomb bursts seen among TI. Successful.	A-1387
13th/14th March	HALIFAX II LE. 335	159023 E/O J.G. Hamilton 169980 E/O B. Rogers 169496 E/O W.S. Emsy 197471 P/S Spinks, H.S. 189665 Sgt. Vickars, D.W. 189094 Sgt. Higgins, W.H. 651746 Sgt. Harris, R.W.G.	P. M. A/B W/O P/W U/C E/C	21.54	05.57	Successful. Target LE MANS with bombload as above. Weather clear with ground haze. Fires burning as A/C ran in NE of markers going down. Target identified by red TI, and bombed this. Terrific cloud of black smoke rising to about 3/4,000 ft. observed. Successful.	A-1388
13th/14th March	HALIFAX II JP. 125	J. 3599 E/L H.R.S. Dyer J. 22482 E/O R.A. MacKenzie J. 22843 E/O L.D. Sturton 1079070 P/S Spinks, H.S. 1664133 Sgt. Hill, A.C. R. 188125 Sgt. Wilson, J.J. R. 465298 Sgt. Danson, R.J.	P. M. A/B W/O P/W U/C E/C	22.06	03.24	Successful. Target LE MANS with bombload as above. Weather good, and clear. Target identified by PFF markers, bombed centre of red TI. Big explosions and fires over target, smoke seen rising to about 3,000 ft. Successful.	A-1389
13th/14th March	HALIFAX II JP. 293	J. 13055 E/L H.T. Brown J. 21718 E/O L. Lamb J. 19708 E/O R.G. Finner R. 125013 W/O Greer, J.J. 1571133 Sgt. McDonald, W. 1881772 Sgt. Whitcross, P. J. 19771 E/O F.G. Chisla C. 452 W/C G.W. Jacobi	P. M. A/B W/O P/W U/C E/C 2nd P.	21.49	03.34	Successful. Target LE MANS with bombload as above. Slight ground haze affecting clear visibility. Bombed red TI seen ascending. Large orange explosion perceived at 00.25 hours. Fires had not taken hold when A/C left T/A. Successful.	A-1390
13th/14th March	HALIFAX II HR. 780	R. 128369 P/S Johnson, L.W. R. 53585 P/S Roche, H.M.T. R. 160198 P/S Rodman, B.T. R. 57332 W/O Wade, H.A. R. 165384 Sgt. Green, A. R. 150510 Sgt. Harris, J. R. 176776 Sgt. Rogers, H.W.	P. M. A/B W/O P/W U/C E/C	21.40	03.54	Successful. Target LE MANS with bombload as above. Target identified by red TI and visually. Weather very good - no cloud. Bombed centre of red TI. Black smoke seen issuing from what appeared to be REPAIR WORKS at time of bombing. Successful.	A-1391

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13th/14th March	HALIFAX II JP 953	J. 19888 P/O J.D. Quinn R. 12851 S/S Gares, R. J. 25352 P/O D.L. Lewis-Potts 199036 Sgt. Hickson, F.J.H. R. 51651 Sgt. Perkins, M.J. R. 18182 Sgt. Weeks, D.S. R. 133231 W/O Drown, R.S.	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O	21.43	03.44	Successful. Target LE MANS with 6 x 1,000 lb. MC and 5 x 500 lb. MC. Clear moonlight. Target identified by red II, bombed centre of these. Under-Gunner followed bombs down visually and saw them burst on railway buildings. Good fires had been started in the railway yards and could be seen for about 50 miles after leaving T/A. GEE u/s all the way. Good uneventful trip. No cloud over continent.	A-1392
13th/14th March	HALIFAX II JD 459	J. 23764 P/O W.P. Barclay J. 26057 P/O P.G. Baskay J. 26312 P/O M. Green R. 111514 W/O Taylor, D.S. R. 200108 Sgt. Arford, R.A. R. 178495 Sgt. Gibson, D.R.	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O	21.31	22.43	Unsuccessful. Target LE MANS with bombload as above. Bombload jettisoned at 22.10 hrs., 1500 ft., position 55.02N 0003E. A/C damaged on take-off. Struck concrete pillars at end of runway and R/C noticed that mid-under blinder demolished and tail wheel knocked off. A/B unable to climb higher than 800 ft., so jettisoned load in sea and returned to base. Crash landed, and overshot end of No. 6 runway at 22.43 hrs., struck MF vehicle and injured driver.	A-1393
13th/14th March	HALIFAX II JP 902	J. 20065 P/O R.L. Bee J. 14190 P/O J.V. Mays Smith R. 141512 P/S McAllan, J.G. 1312250 Sgt. RAYNER, A.J. 1801234 Sgt. Dearman, L.W. R. 206354 Sgt. Hull, P.G. R. 151215 P/S Salkeld, H.B.	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O W/O	21.56	03.26	Successful. Target LE MANS with 6 x 1,000 lb. MC and 10 x A-1394 500 lb. MC. No moon, visibility fair. Target identified by red II, bombed centre of these, ascending at 00.16 hrs. Markers well concentrated and although no ground detail discerned, many bombs observed to burst among markers. No fires seen, but considered attack should be successful.	
13th/14th March	HALIFAX II JD 131	J. 19922 P/O J.C. Stewart 120430 P/O W.E. Colclough J. 20162 P/O G.H.R. Beauchamp 1336102 P/S Karpasiti, H.W. 1615050 Sgt. Huxford, W.A. R. 173303 Sgt. Ojuran, R.R. 1611123 Sgt. Whitcott, R.R.	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O W/O	22.03	03.28	Successful. Target LE MANS with bombload as above. Weather clear. Target identified by red II, and bombed centre of these. Considered well concentrated attack. Two large explosions seen over target at 0019 and 0021 hrs. 1 x 1,000 lb. MC brought back due to hang-up.	A-1395
13th/14th March	HALIFAX II JP 902	R. 26225 S/L R.C. Hamber R. 22605 P/O S.G. Edip R. 58079 P/S Koper, T. R. 97357 W/O Bone, J. 1537278 Sgt. Kemp, A.R. 2220339 Sgt. Minton, W.V. R. 288459 Sgt. Leggett, J.R.	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O W/O	21.34	04.09	Successful. Target LE MANS with bombload as above. Weather clear, visibility good. Target identified by red II on ground, and bombed these. PFF considered excellent - well concentrated.	A-1396
13th/14th March	HALIFAX II JD 468	R. 128435 P/S Krantz, W.T. J. 20928 P/O J. Ferris R. 159001 Sgt. Scott, A.M. 1349788 Sgt. Thompson, T.H. 1590008 Sgt. Pollard, M. RAN. 7674 Sgt. Keeler, W. 2209079 Sgt. Dye, H.C.	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O W/O	21.57	04.17	Successful. Target LE MANS with 6 x 1,000 lb. MC and 5 x 500 lb. MC. Weather clear. Target identified by red II, and bombed two of these on ground. Bomb bursts appeared well concentrated. Large explosion seen at 00.34 hours. Unable to bomb on first run, so orbited and was late on second bombing run.	A-1397

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13th/14th March	HALIFAX II JP. 130 "A"	R.144883	P/S Patterson, G.H.G.	P.	22.00	Successful. Target IN MANS with 5 x 1,000 lb. MD and 10 x 500 lb. MD. Weather clear. Target identified by red TI, bombed red TI on ground. Good concentration of fires seen glowing on ground. Large orange explosion perceived at 00.22 hours.	A-1398
		R.158761	P/S Bailey, W.A.	N.			
		R.129879	Sgt. Derbyshire, D.R.	A/B			
		1587140	Sgt. Jones, G.	P/O			
		1705160	Sgt. Wood, R.E.H.	P/E			
	R.196076	Sgt. Chawinski, A.P.	U/C				
	R.159311	P/S Beckett, A.G.	R/C				
15th/16th March	HALIFAX II HR. 925 "B"	J.20078	P/L B.H. Reicher	P.	18.31	Successful. Target AMIENS with 8 x 1,000 lb. MD and 7 x 500 lb. MD. 1/50ths scattered cloud encountered. Target identified by red TI markers on ground, bombed these. Centre of target area covered with scattered fires.	A-1399
		J.19609	P/O T.R. Johnson	N.			
		J.19879	P/O J.A. Barclay	A/B			
		1317446	Sgt. Darney, D.	P/O			
		1882476	Sgt. Baylis, R.J.	P/E			
		R.193135	Sgt. Turbitt, D.G.	U/C			
	R.158726	P/S Robb, T.E.	R/C				
15th/16th March	HALIFAX II LN. 325 "C"	159023	P/O J.G. Hamilton	P.	18.57	Successful. Target AMIENS with bombload as above. 7/10ths low cloud encountered. Target identified by red TI ascending and on ground through gap in cloud. Large red explosion seen at 21.03 hrs. First red TI seen at 21.03 hrs. on run-up, but by time A/C reached spot these not visible, so made an orbit as instructed and bombed red TI which were dropped at 21.20 hours.	A-1400
		169980	P/O B. Rogers	N.			
		169896	P/O W.R. Elsey	A/B			
		1387471	P/S Sprinks, R.S.	P/O			
		1806465	Sgt. Vickers, D.G.	P/E			
		1890004	Sgt. Wiggins, W.H.	U/C			
	651746	Sgt. Harris, R.W.G.	R/C				
15th/16th March	HALIFAX II HL. 189 "D"	J.21924	P/L H.A. Hewitt	P.	18.33	Successful. Target AMIENS with bombload as above. 3/10ths scattered cloud to 1,500 ft. encountered. Met winds not as predicted. Target identified by red TI on ground, and bombed these. Northern A/P attack appeared well concentrated.	A-1401
		J.19524	P/O G.C.J. Foley	N.			
		421534	P/O H.A. Lee	A/B			
		R.120617	P/O Spalton, J.J.	P/O			
		1673124	Sgt. Sanderson, J.	P/E			
		J.19961	P/O W.P. Griffiths	U/C			
	J.19941	P/O J.W. Broadhurst	R/C				
15th/16th March	HALIFAX II JP. 125 "E"	J.85015	P/O H.O. Kjelson	P.	18.51	Successful. Target AMIENS with bombload as above. Thin cloud over T/A, tops 5,000 ft. Bombed red TI seen going down at 21.14 hours, observed own bombs straddling group of red TI, bombed centre of group of 3. Large explosion seen at 21.22 hrs. Low deep spreading glow observed on ground. PFF late, but if accurate it should be a good attack.	A-1402
		J.33832	P/O G.R. Siddall	N.			
		R.112995	P/O McCaughey, L.A.	A/B			
		1043547	Sgt. Pattle, J.H.	P/O			
		1888557	Sgt. Tunstall, R.D.	P/E			
		R.132421	Sgt. Gosser, A.R.	U/C			
	1559512	Sgt. Callacher, G.	R/C				
15th/16th March	HALIFAX II HL. 700 "F"	1389404	P/S Marjoram, G.H.	P.	18.38	Successful. Target AMIENS with 9 x 1,000 lb. MD and 6 x 500 lb. MD. Thin cloud encountered over T/A. Target identified by red TI on ground, these in B/S. Small fire seen, but very little smoke.	A-1403
		168648	P/O P. Linn	N.			
		1651679	P/S Round, D.S.	A/B			
		1553983	Sgt. McKee, W.J.	P/O			
		1653801	Sgt. Parker, W.F.R.	P/E			
		R.139838	P/S Spivester, V.S.	U/C			
	958380	P/S Sullivan, R.W.G.	R/C				

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15th/16th March	HALIFAX II JN. 953 "0"	G. 26499 P/O W.B. Taylor P. R. 171584 Sgt. McGeachie, W. N. R. 159102 Sgt. Ferguson, H.L. A/B 170518E Sgt. Springate, A.G. W/O 189256A Sgt. Johnstone, C.R.J. P/X R. 197961 Sgt. Busse, J.A. U/G R. 207166 Sgt. Horwood, J.A. R/G	P.	18.28	00.34	Successful. Target AMIENS with 9 x 1,000 lb. MC and 6 x 500 lb. MC. 5/10ths cloud encountered en route, but T/A fairly clear. Target identified by and bombs aimed at red TI on ground. Fires seen but no smoke visible. First PFF flares seen at 21.24 hours.	A-1404
15th/16th March	HALIFAX II JP. 201 "0"	J. 20065 P/O H.L. Bos P. R. 141190 P/O J.V. Smith H. R. 141512 P/S McNeill, J.G. A/B 1312230 Sgt. Taylor, A.J. W/O 1800234 Sgt. Deussen, L.W. P/X R. 206354 Sgt. Hall, F.G. U/G R. 151215 P/S Balkeld, H.G. R/G	P.	18.41	23.48	Successful. Target AMIENS with 8 x 1,000 lb. MC. and 7 x 500 lb. MC. 7/10th cloud observed over T/A. Target identified by and bombs aimed at red TI on ground. Some light smoke seen about 6,000 ft.	A-1405
15th/16th March	HALIFAX II JN. 954 "2"	J. 7905 P/L J.D. Virtue P. J. 24921 P/O J.R. Johnson H. R. 157135 Sgt. Dodge, V.F. A/B R. 167689 W/O Britton, A.J. W/O 1582850 Sgt. Gilbert, P.M. P/X 1354430 Sgt. Davenport, T. U/G R. 167132 Sgt. Stoyko, M.S. R/G	P.	19.03	23.39	Successful. Target AMIENS with bombload as above. 7/10th cloud encountered after bombing, clear over T/A on arrival. Many bombs observed to burst in same place. No fires appeared starting while A/C over T/A.	A-1406
15th/16th March	HALIFAX II JP. 151 "0"	J. 10959 P/L J.C. Stewart P. 120430 P/S W.E. Coleman H. J. 20162 P/O S.H.R. Beauchamp A/B 1336102 P/S Karpanatti, N.W. W/O 1615050 Sgt. Hickford, W.A. P/X R. 173303 Sgt. Curran, H.R. U/G 1811123 Sgt. Brabant, E.R. R/G	P.	18.43	23.49	Successful. Target AMIENS with bombload as above. Met prediction incorrect, no cloud experienced all the way back from T/A. Target identified by and bombs aimed at red TI on ground.	A-1407
15th/16th March	HALIFAX II JP. 202 "0"	G. 1625 P/L S.G. Hamber P. J. 22605 P/O S.G. Philp H. R. 158079 P/S Korper, T. A/B R. 97357 W/O Hope, J. W/O 1557278 Sgt. Kemp, A.R. P/X 2220339 Sgt. Minton, W.F. U/G R. 185480 Sgt. Johnson, T.R.M. R/G G/C McGregor, 2nd P.	P.	18.35	23.29	Successful. Target AMIENS with bombload as above. 5/10th scattered cloud encountered to about 5,000 ft. Some ground haze, 4/10th cloud over T/A. Target identified by and bombs aimed at red TI on ground. No apparent results could be discerned.	A-1408
15th/16th March	HALIFAX II JN. 468 "0"	R. 128415 P/S Krantz, W.T. P. J. 20924 P/O J. Morris H. R. 159001 Sgt. Scott, A.M. A/B 1349784 Sgt. Thompson, S.R. P/X 1590804 Sgt. Pollard, H. P/X GML 7674 Sgt. Kesler, W. R/G 2209079 Sgt. Dye, S.G. R/G	P.	18.26	00.24	Successful. Target AMIENS with 9 x 1,000 lb. MC and 6 x 500 lb. MC. No cloud encountered, slight haze observed. Met winds prediction incorrect. Target identified by and bombs aimed at red TI on ground. Both A/Fs seen. Good concentration of fires observed at both points.	A-1409

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
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16/17th March	HALIFAX II BR. 925	J. 20678 P/L D.E. DeLozier J. 19689 P/O T.H. Johnson J. 19679 P/O J.A. Barclay 138744 Sgt. Darmer, D. 128276 Sgt. Baylis, W.S. R. 19135 Sgt. Turbitt, D.B. R. 158726 P/S Robb, S.M.	P. M. A/M W/O P/M U/C P/C	19.18	00.38	Successful. Target AMIENS with 8 x 1,000 lb. M. and 7 x 500 lb. M. Light scattered cloud and some haze seen, but ground visible. Target identified by TI ascending and on ground. Bombed red TI on ground. Considered excellent concentration of fires and bomb bursts on TI. Heavy smoke visible to 275,000 ft. First TI seen ascending at 22.10, 22.02, others seen at 22.13.	A-1410
16th/17th March	HALIFAX II LN. 325	159025 P/O J.G. Hamilton 165986 P/O D. Rogers 165985 P/O W.E. Hays 138742 P/S Spinks, H.S. 180640 Sgt. Fickens, D.G. 189008 Sgt. Higgins, W.H. 651764 Sgt. Harris, R.W.G.	P. M. A/M W/O P/M U/C P/C	19.27	00.59	Successful. Target AMIENS with bombload as above. Thick haze over target, Target identified by red TI ascending, bombed red TI on ground. Well concentrated fires seen around the markers. Smoke almost obscured the TI. Considered better effort than night of 15/16th, more concentrated and better timing.	A-1411
16th/17th March	HALIFAX II BX. 189	J. 21924 P/L H.A. Hewitt J. 19524 P/O G.O.J. Foley J. 21534 P/O H.L. Lee R. 120617 W/O Selby, J.J. 167312 Sgt. Edmondson, J. J. 19961 P/O W.F. Griffiths J. 19951 P/O J.E. Broadhurst	P. M. A/S W/O P/M U/C P/C	19.25	00.29	Successful. Target AMIENS with bombload as above. 9/10th thin cloud encountered. Target identified by red TI, bombed thin cloud. TI well concentrated and bombing appeared exceptionally good, with sticks of bombs falling across the TI. One bomb seen to burst across TI's. Small but concentrated fires seen among TI's lasting only short time. First TI seen to fall at 22.01 hours.	A-1412
16th/17th March	HALIFAX II JP. 130	J. 18675 P/O D.E. Cook J. 21918 P/O O.W. Fenger R. 120493 P/S Campbell, H.H. 165983 P/O R.J. Parker 1019958 P/S Grivas, J.S. R. 165994 Sgt. Legault, A.S. R. 176124 Sgt. Robertson, J.W.	P. M. A/S W/O P/M U/C P/C	19.51	00.34	Successful. Target AMIENS with bombload as above. Misty over target, no cloud. Target identified by 2 red TI ascending and TI on ground, also by buildings visually. Red TI in N/S. Fall of smoke over target, fires appeared well spread. H2S W/S on way out, due to short circuit. Attack considered to be very good, could see buildings alongside marshalling yards and fires well started as A/C left.	A-1413
16th/17th March	HALIFAX II JP. 125	J. 85015 P/O H.C. Arjolfson J. 11832 P/O G.S. Biddell R. 112935 W/O McGeachy, J.A. 1043547 Sgt. Pettie, J.H. 1588557 Sgt. Spence, R. (RCAF) R. 158221 Sgt. Cosnar, A.E. 1559512 Sgt. Gallacher, G.	P. M. A/S W/O P/M U/C P/C	19.22	00.25	Successful. Target AMIENS with bombload as above. Vis. clear, some haze, but ground visible. Target identified by red TI on ground, bombed those. Some fires spreading at 22.15 hrs., first red TI seen at 22.07 on ground, others seen ascending at 22.13 hrs. Attack appeared well concentrated and many bomb bursts seen among TI on ground.	A-1414
16th/17th March	HALIFAX II BR. 780	158944 P/S MacLennan, G.H. 168940 P/O F. Lees 1651879 P/S Emond, D.H. 1559985 Sgt. McKinnon, J.S. 1659881 Sgt. Parker, W.S. R. 159698 P/S Sylvester, Y.S. 954580 P/S Sullivan, R.W.G.	P. M. A/S W/O P/M U/C P/C	19.26	00.49	Successful. Target AMIENS with 9 x 1,000 lb. M. and 6 x 500 lb. M. Ground haze over target. Target identified by red TI, bombed two clusters of them. Explosion seen on target as A/C ran in at 22.15 hrs., but no smoke visible, this thought to be due to haze over target. H2S considered very good.	A-1415

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16th/17th March	HALIFAX II JN 952 "B"	G.2699 P/O W.B. Taylor R.17258 Sgt. McGeehan, W. R.159102 Sgt. Ferguson, H.L. 1705182 Sgt. Springate, A.G. 1892564 Sgt. Johnstone, G.R.J. R.197981 Sgt. Burns, J.A. R.207166 Sgt. Horwood, J.A.	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O	F. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O	19.17 00.45	Successful. Target AMIENS with 9 x 1,000 lb. MC and 6 x 500 lb. MC. Heavy over target. Target identified by red TI cascading and on ground. Red TI in R/S. Concentrated small fires had started, full red glow in small patches over W/A which appeared to be spreading and joining together as A/C on way out.	A-1116
16th/17th March	HALIFAX II JP 201 "B"	J.23764 P/O W.P. Barclay J.24657 P/O P.C. Haskoy R.26312 P/O M. Green R.111511 186288 P/O Taylor, D.S. 1867640 Sgt. Afford, R.S. R.200108 Sgt. Devan, J.R. R.174355 Sgt. Gibson, D.R.	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O W/O	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O	19.19 01.26	Successful. Target AMIENS with 8 x 1,000 lb. MC and 7 x 500 lb. MC. No cloud encountered, but some haze in W/A. Target identified by red TI, bombed red TI on ground. Well concentrated attack, many fires burning as A/C left W/A. Red TI seen cascading at 22.33 hrs. and 22.15 hours.	A-1117
16th/17th March	HALIFAX II JN 952 "B"	R.117817 W/S Mulvor, R.H. R.157928 W/S Brymer, J.D. R.156757 Sgt. Goulding, S.A. 1556102 W/S Karpaniti, M.W. R.109302 Sgt. Elghan, S.J. R.190041 Sgt. Tucker, R.D. R.190051 Sgt. Dujay, D.R.	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O W/O	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O	19.21 01.02	Successful. Target AMIENS with bombload as above. Ground haze and scattered cloud at 8,000 ft. encountered. Target identified by red TI, bombed red TI, bombed red TI on ground, concentrated, as was bombing. Sticks of bombs seen bursting across markers. Large orange explosion seen at 22.16 hrs. among TI markers. Glow of fires seen after A/C left. Considered really good attack. S/L flicked over A/C just before reaching W/A, A/C hit by risk, under blister and bomb bay damaged.	A-1118
16th/17th March	HALIFAX II JP 131 "B"	J.19356 P/O D.H. Maclean J.20463 P/O A.R. Baker R.146767 W/S Clancy, P.G. 1575653 Sgt. Woodhall, A.L. 1609179 Sgt. Harris, D.W.H. R.88321 Sgt. Auld, J.R. 1590775 Sgt. Stephenson, R.V.	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O W/O	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O	19.22 00.52	Successful. Target AMIENS with bombload as above. 3/10th thin cloud, scattered, and haze obstructed visibility. Target identified by red TI, bombed red TI on ground. Some bomb bursts seen among red TI on ground. Attack appeared well concentrated, some fires burning and heavy smoke commencing to rise.	A-1119
16th/17th March	HALIFAX II JP 202 "B"	J.19595 P/O H.L. Smith R.23843 P/O J. Moore R.26348 P/O W.R. Mackenzie R.26355 P/O J.W. Price 657026 Sgt. Hull, E. R.185380 Sgt. O'Donnell, J.C. R.186805 Sgt. Livingstone, S.G.	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O W/O	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O	19.20 00.28	Successful. Target AMIENS with bombload as above. 3/4/10th cloud encountered over target, cloud with tops 11,000 ft. on route. Target identified by red TI, black smoke seen over target rising to 10,000 ft.	A-1120
16th/17th March	HALIFAX II JN 468 "B"	R.128369 W/S Johnson, I.W. R.92589 W/O Burns, L.M.T. R.160198 W/S Robson, S.T. R.97332 P/O Wade, L.A. R.169924 Sgt. Shuman, A. R.191910 Sgt. Morris, J. R.176776 Sgt. Rogers, R.W.	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O W/O	P. N. A/B W/O W/O W/O	19.16 00.55	Successful. Target AMIENS with 9 x 1,000 lb. MC and 6 x 500 lb. MC. 10/10th cloud encountered en route, 9/10th over target, but opening aided bombing. Target identified by red TI seen cascading, bombed red TI on ground. Dark blue smoke seen, rising to about 6,000 ft.	A-1121

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18th/19th March	HALIFAX II HL 168	R. 25699	S/L H.R.F. Dyer	P.	18.33	23.20	Successful. Target MINING off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 20.57 hrs., 11,000 ft., 163 degs., flares at 20.53 hours, 11,000 ft. 163 deg. 8/10ths cloud at 5,000 ft., slight haze cloud above. Good group of markers seen on return.	A-1422
		R. 22882	P/O R.R. MacKenzie	N.				
		R. 22943	P/O L.B. Swanton	A/B				
		1079070	P/S Brooks, W.E.	W/O				
		1800967	Sgt. Bolton, W.F.	P/S				
1821772	Sgt. Whittehead, P.	U/C						
		R. 265296	Sgt. Dunsen, R.J.	R/G				
18th/19th March	HALIFAX II HL 325	R. 22142	P/O A.J. Byford	P.	18.18	23.59	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.05 hours, 11,000 ft., 163 degs., flares at 21.02 hours same position. Flares in good grouping, except for two slightly to rear of remainder.	A-1423
		R. 21355	P/O R.V. Daly	N.				
		R. 114756	P/S Prentice, P.W.	A/B				
		126334	Sgt. Emery, R.	W/O				
		1265031	Sgt. Holder, A.H.	P/S				
R. 188973	Sgt. Fraser, H.G.	U/C						
		R. 184457	Sgt. Durnally, A.	R/G				
18th/19th March	HALIFAX II HL 325	158023	P/O J.G. Hamilton	P.	18.13	23.50	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.00 hours, 11,000 ft., 164 degs., flares at 20.56 hours, same position. Markers well timed and placed. Considered successful mission. 7/9/10ths scattered cloud encountered to 6,000 ft.	A-1424
		169980	P/O B. Rogers	N.				
		169806	P/O W.R. Hogg	A/B				
		138742	P/S Spinks, E.H.	W/O				
		1806665	Sgt. Vickars, D.G.	P/S				
1890004	Sgt. Higgins, W.H.	U/C						
		551746	Sgt. Harris, R.W.G.	R/G				
18th/19th March	HALIFAX II HL 189	R. 144883	P/S Patterson, G.S.G.	P.	18.15	21.35	UNSuccessful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Starboard inner engine commenced to vibrate crossing English Coast, sparks seen issuing from it by rear gunner. Continued on course until flames seen coming from exhaust by W/O's position. Continued on course for further five mins. and kept close watch on engine, but as flames continued decided to abandon operation.	A-1425
		R. 158761	P/S Bailey, E.A.	N.				
		R. 129879	Sgt. Derbyshire, D.R.	A/B				
		1587340	Sgt. Jones, G.	W/O				
		1793460	Sgt. Wood, R.L.H.	P/S				
R. 196076	Sgt. Chawinski, A.P.	U/C						
		R. 1359331	P/S Bogacki, A.G.	R/G				
18th/19th March	HALIFA X II JP 130	R. 18875	P/O W.F. Cook	P.	18.22	23.29	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.05 hours, 11,000 ft., 163 degs., flares 20.59 hours, same position. 10/10ths cloud encountered to 7,000 ft. Flares accurate and well timed, and well concentrated.	A-1426
		R. 21218	P/O O.E. Ronger	N.				
		R. 120895	P/S Campbell, H.H.	A/B				
		169552	P/O R.J. Facker	W/O				
		1801217	Sgt. Lowry, H.S.	P/S				
R. 169934	Sgt. Legault, A.E.	U/C						
R. 176124	Sgt. Robertson, D.W.	R/G						
		R. 182546	P/O G.H. Peck	2nd P.				
18th/19th March	HALIFAX II JP 203	R. 20078	P/L B.H. Hatcher	P.	18.11	23.47	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.04 hrs., 11,000 ft., 163 degs., flares at 21.01 hrs. same position. All four parachutes seen, marking considered excellent. 10/10th cloud encountered. Track to east HELIGOLAND which was sending up barrage - not very intense, about 4 heavy guns and 3 or 4 light guns, also gun rockets.	A-1427
		R. 19609	P/O L.B. Johnson	N.				
		R. 19879	P/O J.A. Barclay	A/B				
		1317446	Sgt. Dwyer, B.	W/O				
		1288746	Sgt. Boyd, R.J.	P/S				
R. 193135	Sgt. Turbitt, D.G.	U/C						
R. 158726	P/S Robb, R.H.	R/G						
		R. 151025	P/S Spaldin, H.G.	2nd P.				

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18th/19th March	HALIFAX II JP. 201	R. 20065 R. 14130 R. 14152 R. 12220 R. 12124 R. 15125 R. 24295	P/O R.L. Day P/O J.L. Smith P/S McAllister, J.G. Sgt. Barker, A.S. Sgt. Dwyer, L.W. P/O RUII, F.C. P/S Balbeld, H.G. P/O B.F. Edwards	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/C 2nd P.	18.24	23.23	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.04 hours, 11,500 ft., 163 degs., Markers considered well placed and well timed. 10/10th cloud encountered to 5/6000 ft. Considered successful effort.	A-1428
18th/19th March	HALIFAX II JP. 954	R. 14747 R. 15728 R. 158757 R. 136102 R. 109302 R. 190041 R. 190031	P/S McIvor, R.H. P/S Drommer, J.D. Sgt. Goulding, S.A. P/S Karyshitt, H.W. Sgt. Rigden, S.J. Sgt. Tucker, E.D. Sgt. Shaw, D.R.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/C	18.29	23.37	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.04 hrs., 11,500 ft., 163 degs., First clusters of markers well concentrated, large markers spread Eastwards. Markers empty on time. 5/10ths cloud below A/C, 2/3/10ths above.	A-1429
18/19th March	HALIFAX II JP. 131	R. 10952 R. 20430 R. 20162 R. 123651 R. 1619050 R. 173303 R. 181123 R. 182044	P/O J.A. Stewart P/O W.R. Coleman P/O S.H.R. Bauchamp P/O S.E. Bedford Sgt. Rickford, W.A. Sgt. Curran, E.R. Sgt. Endacott, D.R. P/O Greenidge, J.A.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/C 2nd P.	18.20	23.34	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 20.59 hrs., 11,000 ft., 163 degs., flames at 20.55 hours, same position. All 4 parachutes seen. 10/10th cloud below. H28 W/S so dropped flares on other flares which were well concentrated. Considered a successful trip.	A-1430
18/19th March	HALIFAX II JP. 202	R. 1326 R. 21910 R. 22898 R. 121352 R. 19702 R. 195140 R. 159397	P/O W.P. Pinnance P/O L.A. Rotstein P/O D.R. Taylor P/S Bayley, R.M. P/O M.D. McGill Sgt. Tegg, J.R. P/S Ince, E.H.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/C	18.36	23.18	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.00 hrs., 11,000 ft., 163 degs., flames at 20.57 hrs. same position. 10/10th cloud below. All 4 parachutes seem to open. Considered very successful trip, as all markers concentrated except for 2, so it was obvious large concentration would be used. Route too close to HELIGOLAND, every gun seemed active.	A-1431
18th/22nd March	HALIFAX II JP. 125	R. 85015 R. 14132 R. 112995 R. 161397 R. 158857 R. 115242 R. 159952 R. 182025	P/O H.C. Rysdall P/O G.M. Siddall P/O McCaughey, L.A. Sgt. Pettie, J.H. Sgt. Tunstall, R.D. Sgt. Connor, M.H. Sgt. Gallacher, G. P/S Spaight, H.C.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/C 2nd P.	18.00	20.30	Unsuccessful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Aircraft recalled by H.Q. 6 (RCAF) GROUP approximately 19.29 hours.	A-1432
18th/22nd March	HALIFAX II JP. 253	R. 10929 R. 20430 R. 20162 R. 123651 R. 1619050 R. 173303 R. 181123 R. 182044	P/O J.C. Stewart P/O W.R. Coleman P/O S.H.R. Bauchamp P/O S.E. Bedford Sgt. Rickford, W.A. Sgt. Curran, E.R. Sgt. Endacott, D.R. P/O Greenidge, J.A.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/C 2nd P.	17.58	20.27	Unsuccessful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Aircraft recalled by H.Q. 6 (RCAF) GROUP approximately 19.29 hours.	A-1433

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21st/22nd March	HALIFAX II HR. 925	R. 147617 P/O Molloy, R.A. R. 157928 P/O Brown, J.H. R. 158757 Sgt. Goulding, S.A. R. 196102 P/O Karpanath, N.W. R. 109302 Sgt. Rigden, S.J. R. 190081 Sgt. Tucker, K.D. R. 190031 Sgt. Dujay, D.B.	P. N. A/S W/O P/S W/O R/O	17.51	20.25	Uncompleted. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Aircraft recalled by H.Q. 6 (RCAF) Group approximately 19.29 hours.	A-1434
21st/22nd March	HALIFAX II HR. 202	C. 1625 S/L S.G. Hamber J. 28605 P/O S.G. Philip R. 158709 P/O Kocher, T. R. 97257 W/O Hope, J. R. 157870 Sgt. Kemp, A.S. R. 220339 Sgt. Minton, W.F. R. 188459 Sgt. Loyat, J.H.	P. N. A/S W/O P/S W/O R/O	17.54	20.15	Uncompleted. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Aircraft recalled by H.Q. 6 (RCAF) Group approximately 19.29 hours.	A-1435
21st/22nd March	HALIFAX II HR. 1581	J. 19555 P/O H.L. Smith J. 23983 P/O J. Moore J. 26540 P/O W.R. Finlayson J. 26855 P/O W.W. Price J. 37028 Sgt. Hill, P. R. 185380 Sgt. O'Connell, J.G. R. 186805 Sgt. Livingstone, S.G.	P. N. A/S W/O P/S W/O R/O	17.56	20.33	Uncompleted. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Aircraft recalled by H.Q. 6 (RCAF) Group approximately 19.29 hours.	A-1436
22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II HR. 168	J. 19555 P/O H.L. Smith J. 23983 P/O J. Moore J. 26540 P/O W.R. Finlayson J. 26855 P/O W.W. Price J. 37028 Sgt. Hill, P. R. 185380 Sgt. O'Connell, J.G. R. 186805 Sgt. Livingstone, S.G.	P. N. A/S W/O P/S W/O R/O	17.25	00.22	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.22 hours, 15,000 ft., 240 degs. Both parachutes seen to open. 2/10ths cloud below. Route flares not seen. Marking appeared slightly scattered more or less in a triangle, otherwise considered a good effort.	A-1437
22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II HR. 925	J. 22142 P/O A.J. Byford J. 21355 P/O R.V. Daly R. 134796 P/O Prentice, P.W. R. 184938 Sgt. Tenny, R. R. 184938 Sgt. Holder, A.R. R. 188975 Sgt. Fraser, H.G. R. 184457 Sgt. Duxley, L.	P. N. A/S W/O P/S W/O R/O	17.15	00.12	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.24 hours, 15,000 ft., 240 degs. 2/5/10th cloud encountered, base 4,000 ft. and tops 10,000 ft. Markers appeared in good concentration, gardened in centre of red TI about two minutes late.	A-1438
22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II HR. 912	R. 137826 W/O McGarry, J.O. J. 21188 P/O F.H. Lyle R. 145370 Sgt. Long, R.G. R. 109803 W/O Christie, J.L.E. R. 168137 Sgt. Hill, A.G. R. 188126 Sgt. Wilson, J.J. R. 183568 Sgt. Baugher, D.S.M.	P. N. A/S W/O P/S W/O R/O	17.36	00.35	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.24 hours, 15,000 ft., 240 degs. Both parachutes seen to open. Fairly cloud below. No route flares observed, some scattered marking in line across track seen though. First flares were one minute late. Considered generally to be a good trip.	A-1439

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22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II W. 279 "G"	R. 151025 P/S Spedick, H.C. R. 126666 P/O R.W. Rogers R. 127002 P/O G.C. Gillespie R. 129620 W/O Whistler, P.H. R. 12728 Sgt. Smith, S. R. 109524 Sgt. Legault, H.G. R. 199237 Sgt. Brown, F.S.	P. N. A/B W/O P/E U/C P/O	17.19	01.05	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.23 hours, 15,000 ft., 240 degs. Some haze in garden. Small hole in stbd. wing tip from flare, near AMBRADI. Parachutes not seen to open. No green route markers seen, although good concentration of red flares at garden observed. Damage to A/C suffered due to being S. of track due to GEM, lack of route markers, killing time waiting for them.	A-1440
22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II W. 325 "H"	R. 144883 P/S Patterson, C.E.G. R. 158761 P/S Bailey, W.A. R. 129879 Sgt. Derkysaire, D.R. 158740 Sgt. Jones, G. 1709160 Sgt. Wood, R.H.N. R. 196076 Sgt. Chawanski, A.P. R. 159311 P/S Beckett, A.C.	P. N. A/B W/O P/E U/C P/O	17.17	01.01	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. mines. Gardened at 21.31 hours, 15,000 ft., 236 degs. Flares dropped at 21.29 hrs., same position. 3/10th cloud encountered, haze to 6,000 ft. Both parachutes seen to open. No route markers seen.	A-1441
22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II JP. 130 "K"	J. 18875 P/O D.T. Cook R. 21918 P/O G.W. Ponger R. 120893 W/O Campbell, H.H. 169252 P/O R.J. Packer 1019268 P/S Griev, J.F. R. 169974 Sgt. Legault, A.E. R. 176124 Sgt. Robertson, D.W.	P. N. A/B W/O P/E U/C P/O	17.26	23.55	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. mines. Gardened at 21.25 hours, 15,000 ft., 236 degs. Flares dropped at 21.23 hours, same position. Hazy, unable to see coastline. One flare did not go off. Both parachutes seen to open.	A-1442
22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II JP. 125 "L"	J. 89015 P/O H.G. Mylchreem J. 13832 P/O G.E. Siddall R. 116995 W/O McLaughlin, L.A. 163247 Sgt. Pettie, R.R. 159827 Sgt. She Tunstall, R.D. R. 152421 Sgt. Cooner, A.E. 1599512 Sgt. Callaghan, G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/E U/C P/O	17.22	23.48	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. mines. Gardened at 21.19 hours, 15,000 ft., 235 degs. Flares dropped at 21.18 hours, same position. Two parachutes seen, patchy cloud beneath seen in light of flares. Route markers green flares not dropped at position given owing to hang-up.	A-1443
22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II JP. 203 "M"	J. 20078 P/L B.E. Betcher J. 19609 P/O T.B. Johnson 129451 P/L D.W. Haldane 1517446 Sgt. Barney, M. 128276 Sgt. Baylis, E.J. R. 193135 Sgt. Turbitt, D.G. R. 158928 P/S Robb, F.H. R. 128923 W/O Robson, D.M.	P. N. A/B W/O P/E U/C P/O 2nd P.	17.05	00.43	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. mines. Gardened at 21.42 hours, 15,000 ft., 235 degs. Flares dropped at 21.41 hours same position. 5/10th cloud encountered. One red flare hang-up. Both parachutes seen to open.	A-1444
22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II W. 780 "N"	R. 120144 W/O Greenidge, J.A. R. 160773 P/R Lowe, F.D. R. 177645 Sgt. Lumley, V.N. R. 160982 W/O Humphreys, H.O.S. 1822200 Sgt. Sinschler, L.D. R. 197965 Sgt. Wheeler, M.V. R. 212525 Sgt. Surridge, E.G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/E U/C P/O	17.57	01.07	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.25 hours, 15,000 ft., 225 degs. Visibility good, 1/5ths cloud. No parachutes seen to open, and no route markers observed.	A-1445

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22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II JH-953 "0"	168840 P/O G.M. Swede 1577546 P/S Dickenson, W.O.R. R.142403 P/S Thompson, C.O. 1431076 Sgt. Hallett, A.W. 1587653 Sgt. Capper, G.H. 1818825 Sgt. Mason, T.D. R.173938 P/S Lee, O.R.	P. N. N/B W/O P/S U/C R/G	17.09	00.17	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Mined at 21.22 hrs., 15,000 ft. 240 degs. Patchy cloud obscured vision. Only one parachute seen to open. No. route flares seen; A/C mined on first markers, but on looking back it was obs. red that markers scattered to SE of track.	A-1446
22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II JP.201 "0"	J.20065 P/O R.L. Bee J.14190 P/O J.V. Smith R.141512 P/O McAllan, J.G. 1312230 Sgt. Hayter, A.J. 1809234 Sgt. Bosman, I.W. R.141373 P/S Fox, K.G. R.151215 P/S Salkeld, H.G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/G	17.27	23.52	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.25 hours, 15,000 ft., 242 degs. Visibility good. Both parachutes seen to open.	A-1447
22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II JH-954 "0"	R.147417 P/S Molvor, R.A. R.167928 P/S Bremer, J.H. R.158757 Sgt. Golding, S.A. 1336102 P/S Tarasutti, H.W. R.109302 Sgt. Rigden, S.J. R.150041 Sgt. Tucker, L.H. R.130031 Sgt. Paisley, D.H.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/G	17.33	00.25	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.25 hours, 15,000 ft. 235 degs. Flares dropped at 21.24 hours, same position. Clear over garden; 2/10ths cloud on approach. Both parachutes seen to open.	A-1448
22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II JP.131 "0"	J.19336 P/O D.H. MacLean J.20409 P/O A.R. Baker R.146767 P/S Glancy, F.G. 1575653 Sgt. Woodhall, A.R. 1607479 Sgt. Harms, D.W.H. R.88321 Sgt. Auld, J.R. 1590775 Sgt. Stephenson, R.V.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/G	17.31	00.10	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.24 hours, 15,000 ft., 235 degs; flares dropped 21.25 hours, same position. 3/10th scattered cloud to 3/4,000 ft. Believe both mines and flares released about 1 mile to S. of briefed position. Route markers not seen. Both parachutes seen to open.	A-1449
22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II JP.202 "0"	G.1625 P/O H.C. Hamber N.22605 P/O S.G. Philip R.158079 P/S Korber, T. R.57357 P/O Hope, J. 1557278 Sgt. Kemp, A.R. 2280339 Sgt. Minton, W.F. R.188459 Sgt. Loynt, N.R.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/G	17.10	00.06	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.25 hours, 15,000 ft. 235 degs, flares dropped same position at 21.25 hours. Both parachutes seen to open. Slight cloud below, 5/10th cloud in garden. No route markers seen, red flares scattered at right angles to track. Own flares in middle of track.	A-1450
22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II JD.456 "0"	R.18546 P/O G.R.H. Fook J.23045 P/O A.T. Faton R.27274 P/O E.R. McEvoy J.27379 P/O A.W. Finch 1811088 Sgt. Brooks, L.E. R.213469 Sgt. Curry, D.G. R.190732 Sgt. Ringette, L.G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/G	17.39	00.06	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1500 lb Mines. 5/10th cloud. Gardened 15,000 ft., last pinpoint on red flares. Part outer caught fire 2115 hrs. 15,000 ft. put out. Then gardened, returned as far as 5440 ft. 0500 on 3 engines at 19,000 ft.; port inner caught fire, and put out by Gravier system. Began to obtain HF fixes, when down to 5,000 ft. decided to ditch, so sent out SOS at 2356 hrs, made successful ditch at 00.06 hrs. All crew unhurt, took to dinghy, fired Verey cartridge on sighting star shells in distance. Saw search A/C, which dived singly with flame floats, then picked up by trawler about 03.30 hours.	A-1451

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22nd/23rd March	HALIFAX II HL 189 "A"	R. 110454 W/S R. 24552 W/O R. 155149 Sgt. J. 27952 W/O R. 26224 Sgt. R. 172132 Sgt.	Hartford, G.P. E.D. Johnston Foster, B.W. J. Knox Spiller, R. Piotrowsky, P. Teit, B.O.V.	P. E. A/B W/O W/E U/C R/C	17.15	00.27	Successful. Target Mining in KIEL BAY with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines. Gardened at 21.20 hours, 15,000 ft., 240 degs. Visibility clear, but no parachutes seen to open. Trip uneventful. Some difficulty encountered with predicted flak from BERG.	A-1452
23rd/24th March	HALIFAX II HL 168 "A"	R. 110454 W/S R. 24552 W/O R. 155149 Sgt. J. 27952 W/O R. 26224 Sgt. R. 172132 Sgt.	Hartford, G.P. E.D. Johnston Foster, B.W. J. Knox Spiller, R. Piotrowsky, P. Teit, B.O.V.	P. E. A/B W/O W/E U/C R/C	19.07	01.28	Successful. Target LACN with 5 x 1,000 lb. MC and 10 x 500 lb. M. Visibility clear, but slight ground haze. Target identified by green TI cascading to the ground, these in W/S. Own bombs seen to burst in the area, lit up by TI; the roofs of the buildings being visible.	A-1453
23/24th March	HALIFAX II HR 925 "B"	J. 22142 W/O J. 21355 W/O R. 114756 W/S R. 24934 Sgt. R. 185031 Sgt. R. 188973 Sgt. R. 834457 Sgt.	A.J. Byford R.V. Daly Frentice, F.W. Troy, R. Holder, A.E. Fraser, W.C. Darmley, M.	P. E. A/B W/O W/E U/C R/C	18.55	00.47	Successful. Target LACN with bombload as above. Hazy, but ground detail could be discerned through haze. Target identified by green TI, bombed one of these on ground. No fires could be seen, but buildings discerned in light of TI. Foo early in attack to see fires, but bomb bursts seemed well concentrated around TI.	A-1454
23rd/24th March	HALIFAX II HR 912 "B"	R. 137426 W/O R. 21188 W/O R. 145370 Sgt. R. 109823 W/O R. 60433 Sgt. R. 188126 Sgt. R. 183568 Sgt.	Murray, J.S.P. P.H. Love Long, A.C. Chartrand, J.L.E. Hill, A.C. Wilson, J.J. Sangster, H.S.M.	P. E. A/B W/O W/E U/C R/C	18.55	01.03	Successful. Target LACN with bomb load as above. Target identified by green TI, one of these on ground in W/S. First green TI seen to go down at 22.00 hours, followed by another at 22.01 hours.	A-1455
23/24th March	HALIFAX II HR 189 "B"	R. 144883 W/S R. 158761 W/S R. 229879 Sgt. R. 567449 Sgt. R. 709160 Sgt. R. 196076 Sgt. R. 159311 W/S	Patterson, C.M.C. Bailey, W.A. Derbyshire, D.R. Jones, G. Wood, R.E.H. Olmanski, A.P. Beckett, A.C.	P. E. A/B W/O W/E U/C R/C	19.00	00.54	Successful. Target LACN with bombload as above. Clear, but slight ground haze. Target identified by green TI, bombed 2 of these. No fires or explosions seen in T/A. No red TI seen at all, and greens were late. Uneventful trip. On way to target winds stronger than predicted and backing. 277 green flares 2 minutes late.	A-1456
23rd/24th March	HALIFAX II JP 130 "B"	J. 18875 W/O J. 21918 W/O R. 120893 W/O R. 69552 W/O R. 82866 W/S R. 169934 Sgt. R. 176124 Sgt. R. 151025 W/S	D.F. Cook O.W. Fraser Campbell, H.H. R.J. Foker Greave, J.F. Legault, A.E. Robertson, D.W. Speight, H.O.	P. E. A/B W/O W/E U/C W/O 2nd P.	19.09	00.29	Successful. Target LACN with bombload as above. Visibility Hazy. Target identified visually and by green TI, bombed centre of 2 green TI bursts at 22.00 hours. Green TI late and railway track seen with 1 TI to N. and 1 on S. end. Two sticks seen ahead burst across yards, others seen after bombing, mostly on green TI to N. of yards. No red TI seen.	A-1457

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23rd/24th March	HALIFAX II JP. 125 "A"	J. 85015 P/O H.G. Rydolfson J. 11832 P/O G.R. Siddall R. 112995 W/O McGeaghey, L.A. 1043547 Sgt. Pettie, J.H. 198857 Sgt. Tunstall, R.D. R. 152421 Sgt. Ousey, A.E. 1559512 Sgt. Gallacher, G.	P. N. A/B W/S W/S W/S R/G	P.	19.04	00.38	Successful. Target LAGN with 5 x 1,000 lb. HE and 10 x 500 lb. HE. Visibility clear, no snow. Target identified by green TI. Bombed centre of two sets of green TI. Other bombs seen to burst, but no specific results observed.	A-1458
23rd/24th March	HALIFAX II JP. 803 "B"	1389404 W/O Marjoram, G.H. 168640 P/O P. Lees 1651879 P/S Round, D.S. 1553983 Sgt. McKane, W.J. 1652801 Sgt. Pecker, W.F.R. R. 139838 P/S Sylvester, K.S. 958380 P/S Sullivan, R.W.G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/G	P.	18.50	01.16	Successful. Target LAGN with bombload as above. Target identified visually and by green TI. Bombed centre of two green TI. Number of small explosions seen in a line in T/A, might have been railway wagons loaded with ammunition blowing up. Considered uneventful trip.	A-1459
23rd/24th March	HALIFAX II HR. 780 "B"	R. 128923 W/O Robson, D.M. R. 157646 P/S Smith, P.S. J. 28208 P/O G.R. Lander R. 118580 P/S Smith, R.S. 1099356 Sgt. Hoarty, J. 1867865 Sgt. Morgan, B.K. R. 164710 Sgt. Lillies, W.D.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/G	P.	18.43	00.51	Unsuccessful. Target LAGN with bombload as above. Target not identified -- only two green TI could be seen, and as these went out before attack could be made, bombs were not dropped but brought back as instructed. A/G landed at FORD.	A-1460
23rd/24th March	HALIFAX II JN. 953 "B"	J. 10955 P/L J.G. Stewart 180430 P/O W.E. Galman J. 20162 P/O B.H.L. Beauchamp 1336102 P/S Karpasiti, H.W. 1615950 Sgt. Hitchcock, W.A. R. 173303 Sgt. Durran, H.R. 1811123 Sgt. Baskerville, D.E. R. 120144 P/O Greenwood, J.A.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G P.	P.	18.42	01.18	Successful. Target LAGN with bombload as above. Target identified by 2 green TI, SW TI bombed which burst at 2201 hrs. one set seen to NE of these. Green TI about 1 mile apart on each side of track. Sticks of bombs seen bursting in whole built-up area. A/G arrived 2201 hrs. too late to bomb, so turned as briefed and bombed TI just as they went out. Markings late, one set inaccurate according to H2B, this being to E. of target. Thin low cloud or haze encountered.	A-1461
23rd/24th March	HALIFAX II JP. 201 "B"	J. 19888 P/O J.B. Galim R. 128451 P/S Garve, R.J. J. 25552 P/O D.I. Latta-Watts R. 119519 W/O Claridge, W.T. R. 21621 Sgt. Petrus, M.F. R. 184242 Sgt. Weeks, D.S. R. 132231 W/O Dwyer, H.O.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/G	P.	19.13	00.36	Successful. Target LAGN with bombload as above. Target identified by green TI, bombed these on ground. No red TI seen, only green; considered poor marking and results impossible to ascertain.	A-1462
23rd/24th March	HALIFAX II JN. 954 "B"	J. 19585 P/O H.L. Smith J. 23963 P/O J. Moore J. 26540 P/O W.R. Finlayson J. 26895 P/O W.N. Price 637025 Sgt. Bull, R. R. 185280 Sgt. O'Donnell, J.G. R. 186895 Sgt. Livingstone, S.G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/G	P.	18.41	00.45	Successful. Target LAGN with bombload as above. Target identified by green TI, bombed these bursting at 2200 and 2201 hrs. Green TI late, one to W. and the other to E. Bombed E. edge of S. TI. Sticks of bombs seen bursting through both TI and between them. Almost collided with another A/G which cut in at last turning point before target. No red TI seen at all. No cloud, but visibility poor.	A-1463

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23rd/24th March	HALIFAX II JP. 131	P.19336 R/O D.H. MacLean P.		18.48	01.07	Successful. Target IAGN with 5 x 1,000 lb. MC and 10 x 500lb. MC. Target identified by green TI, no landmarks seen. 2 green TI in R/S. Bombs seen bursting among green TI. No red TI seen at all. A/C had to orbit as the green TI were late, and these were still falling as A/C bombed.	A-1164
		P.20409 R/O A.M. Baker M.					
		R.146767 R/S Clancy, P.G. A/B					
		1573653 Sgt. Woodhall, A.R. W/O					
		1607179 Sgt. Harris, D.W.H. R/S					
23rd/24th March	HALIFAX II JP. 282	P.198521 Sgt. Ash, J.R. W/O		18.46	00.40	Successful. Target IAGN with bombload as above. Easy, but no cloud. Target identified by green TI and confirmed by R/S as a built up area, but very faintly. Green TI in R/S. No red TI seen, but two bunches of green TI observed, to right and left of track. Green TI two minutes late. Some smoke seen, but not considered to be a very good effort.	A-1165
		1520775 Sgt. Stephenson, R.V. R/C					
		C.1396 W/C W.P. Pleasance P.					
		P.21910 R/O L.A. Rotstein W.					
		L.22498 R/O D.R. Taylor A/B					
		123521 R/S Emaley, R.M. W/O					
		R.19702 R/O M.D. McGill R/S					
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25th/26th March	HALIFAX II NR 925 "D"	J.22142 P/O A.J. Ryford J.21355 P/O R.V. Dally R.114756 P/S Prentice, P.W. 1245254 Sgt. Tenny, R. 1845031 Sgt. Holder, A.L. R.188973 Sgt. Fraser, R.G. 1834457 Sgt. Darnley, L.	P. N. A/B W/O P/W U/C R/G	18.32	00.35	Successful. Target ANUNOYE with 6 x 1,000 lb. HE and 7 x 500 lb. HE. Weather heavy. Target identified by red TI and visually in light of flashes. Bombed centre of 3rd TI. Bombs well concentrated and appeared dead on A/P. Sticks of bombs seen exploding across markers. Large explosion seen on return at 22.25 and red explosion seen at 22.35, both from direction of target.	A-1466
25th/26th March	HALIFAX II LR 325 "H"	R.144883 P/S Patterson, G.E.G. R.144883 P/S Bailey, W.A. R.129879 Sgt. Darbyshire, J.R. 1587140 Sgt. Jones, O. 1709160 Sgt. Wood, R.E.N. R.196076 Sgt. Chawanski, A.P. R.193311 P/S Beckett, A.C.	P. N. A/B W/O P/W U/C R/G	18.24	01.04	Successful. Target ANUNOYE with 6 x 1,000 lb. HE and 7 x 500 lb. HE. Weather heavy, no ground detail visible. Target identified by red TI, bombed on these. Large explosion seen 21.47 hrs., red flame to 1500 ft., heavy smoke. Too early to attack to perceive results other than explosion after one bombing. FFP appeared to be excellent.	A-1467
25th/26th March	HALIFAX II NR 912 "P"	R.137426 W/O2 McNary, J.G. J.21188 P/O P.H. Levy R.145370 Sgt. Long, R.C. R.109823 W/O Chastand, J.L.M. 1604133 Sgt. Hill, A.G. R.188126 Sgt. Wilson, J.J. R.183568 Sgt. Sangster, D.S.M.	P. N. A/B W/O P/W U/C R/G	18.33	00.30	Successful. Target ANUNOYE with 6 x 1,000 lb. HE and 7 x 500 lb. HE. Visibility heavy - no ground detail seen perceived. Target identified by red and green TI. Centre red or group of three red in R/S. Bomb bursts seen well around TI. No fires seen. FFP marking on time, if accurate consider attack should be good.	A-1468
25th/26th March	HALIFAX II NR 189 "N"	R.110454 P/S Hartford, G.P. J.24352 P/O Johnston, W.D. R.155149 Sgt. Foster, R.W. J.27953 P/O J. Knox 158474 Sgt. Butler, R. R.216214 Sgt. Piotrowsky, P. R.172132 Sgt. Teit, S.O.V.	P. N. A/B W/O P/W U/C R/G	18.35	00.50	Successful. Target ANUNOYE with 6 x 1,000 lb. HE and 7 x 500 lb. HE. Visibility heavy, but no clouds. Target identified by red TI, 3 in a row, and one green TI to right. Bombed centre one of red TI. Number of small explosions giving off puffs of black smoke seen. Consider attack should be successful.	A-1469
25th/26th March	HALIFAX II NR 130 "K"	J.5699 P/L H.E.F. Dyer J.22482 P/O R.A. MacKenzie J.22543 P/O L.D. Spensation 1079070 P/S Brocks, W.H. 1800967 Sgt. Bolton, W.F. R.205796 Sgt. Brittain, G.D. R.165298 Sgt. Duggan, E.J. R.96 A/C R.E. McBurney	P. N. A/B W/O P/W U/C R/G 2nd P.	18.34	00.28	Successful. Target ANUNOYE with 6 x 1,000 lb. HE and 7 x 500 lb. HE. Heavy, no ground detail perceived. Target identified by TI, bombed these. Green TI seen falling as A/G bombed. Large explosion discerned, sky lit up at about 22.02 hours. Aerial bomb factory stood out clearly in light of photo-flashes.	A-1470
25th/26th March	HALIFAX II NR 125 "L"	J.85015 P/O H.G. Bjolfsson J.33832 P/O G.H. Siddall 129451 P/L D.W. Haseldine 1043547 Sgt. Fattis, J.H. 1588557 Sgt. Tunstall, R.D. R.152421 Sgt. Coombe, A.M. 1559512 Sgt. Gallacher, G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/W U/C R/G	18.28	21.05	Unsuccessful. Target ANUNOYE with 6 x 1,000 lb. HE and 7 x 500 lb. HE. Bombs detonated safe in channel off FRENCH COAST. Two engines failed on way out. A/C returned to FMS and on approach to land over-shot and crashed. Aircraft category "E-burnt" crew all safe, sustained minor injuries, receiving treatment at FMS S.S.Q.	A-1471

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25th/26th March	HALIFAX II JP. 203 "B"	J. 20076 W/L B.E. Decher P. J. 19609 E/O T.B. Johnson N. J. 19879 E/O J.A. Harlow A/B 131746 Sgt. Baynes, B. W/O 128276 Sgt. Baylis, B.S. E/B R. 19335 Sgt. Suckitt, D.C. U/G R. 158725 E/S Robb, T.M. E/G	P. N. A/B W/O E/B U/G E/G	18.30	00.40	Successful. Target AMUNOYE with 6 x 1,000 lb. ME and 7 x 500 lb. ME. Weather clear. Target identified by red TI, these in N/S. Large explosion seen 21.46 hours, dense layer black smoke engulfed target. At 22.04 hours, very large red explosion seen in T/A. Smoke blotted out TI temporarily.	A-1472
25th/26th March	HALIFAX II HR. 780 "B"	R. 128115 W/O2 Krantz, W.T. P. J. 20924 E/O J. Purvis N. E. 159001 Sgt. Scott, A.M. A/B 134978 Sgt. Thompson, F.E. W/O 159080 Sgt. Rollard, M. E/B CAN. 7674 Sgt. Keeler, W. U/G 2209079 Sgt. Dye, S.G. E/G	P. N. A/B W/O E/B U/G E/G	18.21	00.53	Successful. Target AMUNOYE with 6 x 1,000 lb. ME and 7 x 500 lb. ME. Visibility hazy. Target identified by red TI and green TI. Bombed green on ground. Large explosion seen 21.56 with brilliant white flame to 1500 ft, clouds of black smoke emitted. Considered best attack on a BRUSH target, well concentrated.	A-1473
25th/26th March	HALIFAX II HL. 953 "B"	J. 19888 E/O J.D. Quinn P. R. 128451 W/O2 Gares, R.J. N. J. 25352 E/O D.L. Lewis-Watts A/B 1399386 Sgt. Hickson, F.J.N. W/O R. 51651 Sgt. Petrino, M.E. E/B R. 184262 Sgt. Wesks, D.S. U/G R. 133251 W/O2 Dwyer, R.O. E/G	P. N. A/B W/O E/B U/G E/G	18.20	00.43	Successful. Target AMUNOYE with 6 x 1,000 lb. ME and 7 x 500 lb. ME. Slight haze; ground detail discerned, in light of photo-flashes. Target identified by red and green TI, bombed red TI. Too early in attack to observe results, but marking excellent and bombs seen bursting across TI. Bomb bursts appeared concentrated, and if FFF accurate consider it should be successful attack.	A-1474
25th/26th March	HALIFAX II JP. 201 "B"	J. 20065 W/L R.L. Bee P. J. 11190 E/O J.V. Smith N. R. 111512 W/O2 McLellan, J.G. A/B 131220 Sgt. Hayter, A.J. W/O 188224 Sgt. Deerman, I.W. E/B R. 111375 E/S Fox, L.G. U/G R. 731215 E/S Balkola, H.G. E/G	P. N. A/B W/O E/B U/G E/G	18.29	00.26	Successful. Target AMUNOYE with 6 x 1,000 lb. ME and 7 x 500 lb. ME. Target identified by and bombed on red TI. Did not appear to be bomb bursts on SW A/P after 21.51 hrs, but bursts seen on second A/P 6 to 7 mins. later. One large explosion seen 22.04 which lit up T/A, but not known which explosion A/P it took place on. Appeared to be good attack, A/C actually bombed red TI in light of the green. Timing perfect.	A-1475
25th/26th March	HALIFAX II HR. 954 "B"	R. 117417 E/S McIvor, R.A. P. R. 157328 W/O2 Brown, S.A. N. R. 158757 Sgt. Goudding, S.A. A/B R. 119549 W/O2 Claxton, W.F. W/O R. 109302 Sgt. Ridden, S.J. E/B R. 190081 Sgt. Tucker, K.B. U/G R. 190051 Sgt. Dujay, D.R. E/G	P. N. A/B W/O E/B U/G E/G	18.25	00.38	Successful. Target AMUNOYE with 6 x 1,000 lb. ME and 7 x 500 lb. ME. Target identified by and bombed on red TI. Two well concentrated TI bombed. FFF well concentrated and in time. Large orange explosion seen at N. A/P 22.01 hrs. as A/C came out of T/A.	A-1476
25th/26th March	HALIFAX II JP. 151 "B"	168840 E/O G.M. Stede P. 157754 E/S Dickinson, W.O.R. N. R. 112403 W/O2 Thompson, G.O. A/B 1131076 Sgt. Hallett, A.V. W/O 1587653 Sgt. Geyper, G.H. E/B 1818825 Sgt. Mason, T.D. U/G R. 173958 E/S Lee, C.E. E/G	P. N. A/B W/O E/B U/G E/G	18.42	00.24	Successful. Target AMUNOYE with bombload as above. Target identified by red TI, bombed centre of target. Good bombing seen through concentration of red TI. Large explosion seen at 21.50 hours. Second wave bombing also looked good. Attack considered to be very successful.	A-1477

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25th/26th March	HALIFAX II JE. 202	158904 W/O Marjoran, G.H. 168640 P/O F. Loran 1651879 P/S Round, D.S. 1553963 Sgt. McKee, W.J. 1653801 Sgt. Peaker, W.P.R. R.159836 P/S Sylvester, V.S. 968980 P/S Sullivan, R.W.G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/C	18.26	01.07	Successful. Target ALLNOYE with 6 x 1,000 lb. MD and 7 x 500 lb. MD. No cloud, much ground haze and smoke. Target identified by and bombs aimed at red and green TI. Large red explosion seen at 22.00 hours, and another red explosion at 21.59 hours not quite as large.	A-1476
25th/26th March	HALIFAX II JD. 212	R.120144 W/O Greenidge, J.A. R.160773 P/S Lewis, E.B. R.177645 Sgt. Lunn, W.M. R.160982 W/O Humphreys, E.C.S. R.192200 Sgt. Sturtevant, A.B. R.197965 Sgt. Wheeler, M.W. R.212825 Sgt. Burridge, E.G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/C	18.25	00.47	Successful. Target ALLNOYE with bombload as above. Visibility clear, but some haze. Bombed centre of red TI on ground. Marking well concentrated on on time. Good concentration of bombing seen as A/C left target. Large whitish explosion seen on G. A/P at 21.50 hours. Not as predicted excepting for winds.	A-1479
26th/27th March	HALIFAX II HR. 925	R.151025 P/S Speight, H.C. J.24666 P/O R.W. Rogers J.27402 P/O G.C. Gillespie R.123680 W/O Wheeler, P.H. 982758 Sgt. Smith, S. R.109584 Sgt. Legault, E.C. R.195257 Sgt. Brown, P.R.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/C	18.52	00.28	Successful. Target COURTRAI with 8 x 1,000 lb. MD and 7 x 500 lb. MD. Weather heavy. Target identified by red TI, bombed centre of largest group of these. Markers in large group with 2 smaller groups to NE. Good bombing concentration across the TI seen after leaving.	A-1480
26th/27th March	HALIFAX II HR. 912	R.157426 W/O McHenry, J.G. J.21188 P/O W.H. Love R.145370 Sgt. Long, R.G. R.109825 W/O Ghartrian, J.L.E. 1694335 Sgt. Hill, A.G. R.188126 Sgt. Wilson, J.J. R.182968 Sgt. Sangster, D.S.M.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/C	18.54	00.11	Successful. Target COURTRAI with bombload as above. Hazy, no ground detail discernible. Target identified by 5 red TI, bombed 2 red TI on ground close together, the other 3 being about 1 mile to E. There appeared to be one small fire, but no detail could be perceived. Considered an uneventful trip.	A-1481
26th/27th March	HALIFAX II IW. 325	R.144885 P/S Patterson, C.E.C. R.198761 P/S Bailey, W.A. R.219679 Sgt. Desjardine, D.R. 1587340 Sgt. Jones, S. 1709160 Sgt. Wood, R.H.N. R.198076 Sgt. Chmurski, A.P. R.159311 Sgt. Bockett, A.C.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/C	19.07	00.21	Successful. Target COURTRAI with bombload as above. No cloud, but some haze encountered. Target identified by red TI on ground, bombed these. Some bomb bursts seen on TI. Hazy slightly scattered. 3 TI seen, only one of which appeared to be at A/P.	A-1482
26th/27th March	HALIFAX II HR. 189	R.110454 P/S Hartford, C.P. J.24552 P/O Johnston, N.D. R.155149 Sgt. Foster, E.W. J.27983 P/O J. Knox 158474 Sgt. Butler, R. R.216214 Sgt. Piotrowsky, P. R.172132 Sgt. Teit, S.O.V.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/C R/C	19.00	25.43	Successful. Target COURTRAI with bombload as above. Clear, but slightly hazy. Red TI in good concentration close together identified target, bombed on first red TI dropped. Bombs seen to burst on tracks and detail at end of marshalling yards on track and on time all the way. Consider TI well-placed and attack should prove successful.	A-1483

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26th/27th March	HALIFAX II FE 130 "A"	168840 P/O G.M. Bode 157754 P/S Dickinson, W.O.R. N. R.142603 W/O2 Thompson, G.O. 143406 Sgt. Hallett, A.W. 1587653 Sgt. Gapper, G.H. 716079 P/L L.J. Toms R.173938 P/S Lee, C.R.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/G	19.02	23.48	Successful. Target COURTRAI with 8 x 1,000 lb. MD and 7 x 500 lb. MD. Visibility hazy. Target identified by and bombed on red TI -- seen in air cascading at 20.58 hours. Marker fell just as A/O running up and appeared to be on S. part of yards. Later markers fell slightly to N. No results of attack observed.	A-1484
26th/27th March	HALIFAX II JP. 203 "M"	J.20078 P/L B.E. Betcher J.19609 P/O E.B. Johnson J.19879 P/O J.A. Barlow 1317446 Sgt. Darney, E. 1282476 Sgt. Baylis, R.F. R.193135 Sgt. Turbitt, D.G. R.158726 P/S Robb, J.M.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/G	18.58	23.44	Successful. Target COURTRAI with bombload as above. Visibility hazy. Target identified by red TI. Bombed 3 red TI, two slightly together, the other being slightly SE with bomb bursts across both sets and between them. Some fires seen in T/A on return.	A-1485
26th/27th March	HALIFAX II HR. 780 "M"	R.120144 W/O Greenidge, J.A. R.160713 P/S Lowe, J.B. R.177645 Sgt. Lunney, V.N. R.160982 W/O1 Humphreys, S.O.S. 1822200 Sgt. Sinclair, A.D. R.197969 Sgt. Wheeler, M.W. R.212525 Sgt. Surridge, E.G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/G	18.56	00.08	Successful. Target COURTRAI with 9 x 1,000 lb. MD and 6 x 500 lb. MD. Visibility hazy, no ground detail seen, excepting for river. Target identified by red TI at 20.58 hours. Bombed centre of 3 TI in line on track on ground. One TI N. of river and one S. No results of bombing observed. Considered an uneventful trip.	A-1486
26th/27th March	HALIFAX II NI. 953 "M"	J.10959 P/L J.G. Stewart 120430 P/L W.E. Collins J.20162 P/O S.M. Beauchamp 1356102 P/S Karpeniki, N.W. 1649090 Sgt. Hinchey, E.R. R.173509 Sgt. Curran, E.R. 1811125 Sgt. Endacott, D.R.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/G	18.49	23.50	Successful. Target COURTRAI with 8 x 1,000 lb. MD and 7 x 500 lb. MD. Hazy over T/A, ground detail seen in light of red TI, however, 3 red TI cascading and on ground in a line identified target. Bombed on these. Appear to be concentrated bombing across TI.	A-1487
26th/27th March	HALIFAX II JP. 201 "M"	J.19595 P/O E.L. Smith J.23943 P/O J. Moore J.26540 P/O W.R. Finlayson J.26855 P/O W.W. Price 637026 Sgt. Bull, E. R.185380 Sgt. O'Connell, J.C. R.186805 Sgt. Livingstone, S.G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/G	18.43	23.39	Successful. Target COURTRAI with bombload as above. No cloud, some haze however, ground not visible. Target identified by red TI on ground, this in P/S. Good concentration of fires seen and some bomb bursts encircling TI. PFF concentrated and in good time, consider should be good attack if PFF accurate.	A-1488
26th/27th March	HALIFAX II HL. 954 "M"	R.147417 P/S McIvor, R.A. R.157928 W/O2 Bremner, J.H. R.158757 Sgt. Goulding, S.A. R.119519 W/O2 Glaridge, W.T. R.109502 Sgt. Rigden, S.J. R.190041 Sgt. Tucker, L.D. R.190031 Sgt. Dajay, D.R.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/G	18.41	23.46	Successful. Target COURTRAI with bombload as above. Visibility hazy, but no cloud. Red TI seen at 20.58 identified target. Bombed three TI falling, a good cluster of TI well concentrated and well timed. No results of bombing observed. Considered very uneventful trip.	A-1489

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26th/27th March	HALIFAX II JE. 131 sq	J. 19556 P/O D.H. Maclean J. 20609 P/O A.R. Palmer R. 145767 P/S Glynn, P.O. 1575653 Sgt. Woodhall, L.B. 1507179 Sgt. Harris, D.W.H. E. 88321 Sgt. Ash, J.R. 1590775 Sgt. Stephenson, E.V.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/C	18.47	00.03	Successful. Target COURTRAI with 8 x 1,000 lb. ME and 7 x 500 lb. ME. Hazy, but T/A clear of cloud. Target identified by red TI in good concentration - these went down right on time. Railway track identified in light of flashes. Bombed two red TI almost in centre of concentration. TI well placed and timed. Attack considered successful.	A-1490
26th/27th March	HALIFAX II JA. 282 sq	R. 128115 W/O Krenth, W.S. J. 20924 P/O J. Purvis R. 159001 Sgt. Scott, A.M. 1549784 Sgt. Thompson, F.R. 1590888 Sgt. Pollard, M. CAN. 7674 Sgt. Keeler, W. 2809079 Sgt. Dye, S.O.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/C	18.45	00.22	Successful. Target COURTRAI with 9 x 1,000 lb. ME and 6 x 500 lb. ME. Slight haze in T/A. Target identified by 2 red TI seen cascading and on ground. Bombed red TI. A/G early, consequently results of attack unable to be discerned.	A-1491
26th/27th March	HALIFAX II LE. 279 sq	J. 19888 P/O J.D. Quinn R. 128151 W/O Gagan, R.H. J. 25352 P/O D.L. Lewis-Watts 1390306 Sgt. Hickson, F.J.H. R. 51651 Sgt. Petrina, M.J. R. 184242 Sgt. Weeks, D.S. R. 133231 W/O Dwyer, R.O.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/C	19.04	23.36	Successful. Target COURTRAI with bombload as above. No cloud, but ground haze obstructed view of ground detail. Target identified by TI red cascading, bombed TI red on ground. Many bomb bursts seen among well concentrated red TI on ground. A/G too early to formulate any opinion of success of attack.	A-1492
29th/30th March	HALIFAX II HR. 925 sq	J. 22112 P/O A.J. Byford J. 21355 P/O R.V. Daly E. 114756 P/S Prentice, F.W. 1249334 Sgt. Terry, R. 1845621 Sgt. Hopper, A.H. E. 188973 Sgt. Fraser, N.O. 1834457 Sgt. Darnley, L.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/C	18.11	00.28	Successful. Target VAIRES with 6 x 1,000 lb. ME and 8 x 500 lb. ME. Weather over target clear, but hazy. Target identified by red TI on ground, and bombed there. Good concentration of small fires burning as A/G left. Two very large explosions seen at 21.38 and 21.40 hours. First TI slightly late.	A-1493
29th/30th March	HALIFAX II HR. 912 sq	E. 120114 W/O Greenidge, J.A. E. 160773 P/S Greenidge, T.B. E. 177645 Sgt. Lanny, V.N. E. 1669882 W/O Humphreys, E.O.E. 1822200 Sgt. Sinclair, A.D. E. 197965 Sgt. Vindler, E.W. E. 212525 Sgt. Surridge, E.G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S W/O R/C	DUPLICATION			
29th/30th March	HALIFAX II LE. 279 sq	R. 151025 P/S Speight, H.C. E. 21566 P/O R.W. Rogers J. 27602 P/O G.G. Gillespie E. 123620 W/O Wheeler, F.H. 988758 Sgt. Smith, S. E. 109584 Sgt. Legault, A.E. E. 195257 Sgt. Brown, F.R.	P. N. A/B W/O P/S U/G R/C	18.22	00.50	Successful. Target VAIRES with bombload as above. Hazy over T/A. Target identified by red TI, bombed centre of red TI bursting at 21.31 hrs. Large explosion seen 21.39 hrs. Many sticks of bombs seen bursting through TI. Small fire seen to N. of markers. 1 x 500 lb. ME hung-up over target. Jettisoned safe 50.34N, 00.10W, 2254 hrs., 14,000 ft. Tracks seen in light with markers on them.	A-1494

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29th/30th March	HALIFAX II LN 325 "H"	R.110454	P/S. Hartford, C.F.	P.	18.14	01.10	Successful. Target VAIRES with 6 x 1,000 lb. M and 8 x 500 lb. M. Ground haze and smoke in T/A. Target identified by red TI, bombed one red on ground. Large explosion 2140 hrs, yellow-orange flame and smoke above 12,000 ft. Small fires around markers. First TI down at 23.32 hrs, so had to orbit.	A-1495
		J.24552	P/O N.D. Johnston	N.				
		R.155149	Sgt. Foster, B.W.	A/E				
		F.27953	P/O J. King	W/O				
		R.138474	Sgt. Butler, R.	P/E				
R.216214	Sgt. Piotrowsky, F.	U/G						
R.172132	Sgt. Teit, S.O.V.	R/G						
29th/30th March	HALIFAX II HX 189 "H"	J.7905	P/L J.D. Virtue	P.	18.21	00.35	Successful. Target VAIRES with bombload as above. Ground haze and smoke in T/A. Target identified by red TI, bombed 2 TI on ground. At 2140 hrs. volcanic explosion on edge of TI seen, deep orange flame, smoke to 12,000 ft. Bomb bursts seen across TI. No scattered bursts or fires seen. A/G too late for first wave, orbited and came in on reserve period.	A-1496
		J.24921	P/O J.R. Johnson	N.				
		R.157135	Sgt. Dodds, V.E.	A/E				
		R.107620	W/O Britts, A.J.	W/O				
		1582850	Sgt. Gilbert, R.H.	P/E				
1554430	Sgt. Davenport, T.	U/G						
R.167132	Sgt. Stoyko, H.S.	R/G						
29th/30th March	HALIFAX II JP 150 "K"	J.5699	S/L H.R.F. Dyer	P.	18.10	00.15	Successful. Target VAIRES with bombload as above. Hazy in T/A, target identified by red TI which was 3 mins late. A/G did second run as first TI dropped under A/G. During orbit saw 1st photoflash, 2/3 miles NW of TI. Saw one bomb burst across TI. Later all bombs straddled TI. Huge explosion 2138 hrs, lit up countryside for 20 miles, felt in A/G. Saw second and 3rd lot of bombs go down on time. No icing.	A-1497
		J.22482	P/O R.A. MacGonagle	N.				
		J.22543	P/O L.W. Swartzop	A/E				
		1679070	P/O S. S. S. S.	W/O				
		1800957	Sgt. Bolton, W.F.	P/E				
R.208796	Sgt. Brittain, G.D.	U/G						
R.165296	P/S Dunlop, S.J.	R/G						
29th/30th March	HALIFAX II JP 205 "M"	J.20078	P/L B.E. Betcher	P.	18.26	00.26	Successful. Target VAIRES with bombload as above. Hazy. Target identified by red TI, 21.38 hrs. Bombed on these. Whole marshalling yards seen in light of photoflash. Markers on S. edge. A/G undershot a bit at 2138 hrs. Very large explosion seen N. edge of yards. Most bombs right over markers. A/G arrived target 2130 and orbited, waiting for markers.	A-1498
		J.19609	P/O T.E. Johnson	N.				
		J.15879	P/O J.A. Marlow	A/E				
		1317446	Sgt. Darney, B.	W/O				
		1882476	Sgt. Bayliss, E.J.	P/E				
R.193135	Sgt. Turbitt, D.G.	U/G						
R.1587262	Sgt. Robb, T.H.	R/G						
29th/30th March	HALIFAX II HN 953 "O"	168840	P/O G.H. Beane	P.	18.13	00.43	Successful. Target VAIRES with bombload as above. Ground haze and smoke. Target identified by red TI, bombed one of these on ground. AT 2140 hrs. large explosion, deep orange flame to 2,000 ft., billow of black smoke to 11,000 ft. First TI dropped 21.32 just as A/G over target; so orbited for several seconds. Explosion on edge of TI, small fires concentrated on edge of markers.	A-1499
		1577546	P/S Dickinson, W.O.R.	N.				
		R.14203	W/O Thompson, C.O.	A/E				
		1451076	Sgt. Hallett, E.W.	W/O				
		1587653	Sgt. Gopet, C.H.	P/E				
R.206394	Sgt. Hill, F.G.	U/G						
R.173938	P/S Lee, D.R.	R/G						
29th/30th March	HALIFAX II JP 201 "P"	J.20065	P/L R.L. Bde	P.	18.20	00.22	Successful. Target VAIRES with bombload as above. Hazy in T/A. Target identified by red TI on ground, bombed these. Explosion lighting whole area seen 21.38 hrs. Communion felt in A/G. Some fires appeared well concentrated. TI concentrated, but late, first one seen to cascade at 21.32 hours, so aircraft had to orbit.	A-1500
		J.141396	P/O J.V. Smith	N.				
		R.141512	W/O McAllister, J.G.	A/E				
		131230	Sgt. Hayter, A.J.	W/O				
		1604224	Sgt. Jesson, L.W.	P/E				
R.141373	P/S Fox, K.O.	U/G						
R.151215	P/S Skelton, H.C.	R/G						
J.21245	P/O B.E. Edwards	2nd P.						

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
29th/30th March	HALIFAX II JN 954 "B"	R. 147417 P/O Malvor, R.A. R. 157288 W/O Bessman, J.A. R. 158757 P/O Gouding, S.A. R. 119529 W/O Gierke, W.F. R. 109302 Sgt. Rigden, S.J. R. 119001 Sgt. Tucker, K.D. R. 190031 Sgt. Duley, D.R.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B W/O R/C	1818	00.30	Successful. Target VAIRES with 6 x 1,000 lb. HE and 8 x A-1501 500 lb. HE. Heavy overcast 7/A. 1st red TI 5.10 mins late. Bombed 1 TI red on ground. A/C had to orbit as marking late, and as TI dying out A/C out in quickly to bomb on 178 degs. Terrific explosion seen 2138 hrs., felt in A/C, black smoke rising to 12,000 ft. Should be good attack - no icing encountered.	
29th/30th March	HALIFAX II JP 131 "B"	J. 19336 P/O D.H. MacLean J. 20409 P/O A.R. Baker R. 146767 P/O Glancy, P.G. 157553 Sgt. Woodhall, A.R. 1607479 Sgt. Harris, D.W.H. R. 88321 Sgt. Auld, J.R. 1390775 Sgt. Stephenson, E.V.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B W/O R/C	18.14	01.10	Successful. Target VAIRES with bombload as above. Ground base and smoke in 7/A. Identified target by and bombed on red TI on ground. Large explosion seen 21.40 hrs., yellow-orange flame, smoke to 12,000 ft. Small fires around markers. First TI down at 21.32 hrs., so A/C had to orbit, by the time second bombing run was made good concentration appeared. Some small fires around markers. Considered good attack.	A-1502
29th/30th March	HALIFAX II JP 202 "B"	J. 19355 P/O H.L. Smith J. 23283 P/O J. Moore J. 26540 P/O W.R. Finlayson J. 26555 P/O R.W. Price 537026 Sgt. Bull, J. R. 189300 Sgt. Galloway, J.G. R. 186806 Sgt. Livingstone, S.G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B W/O R/C	18.24	00.24	Successful. Target VAIRES with bombload as above. Weather over target heavy. Target identified by red TI, bombed there bursting at 21.32. Markers late, appeared to fall 1/2 of the marks. Very large explosion seen 21.40, smaller one 21.42 with flames to 2,000 ft. and smoke to 12,000 ft. Concentration felt in A/C. Good bombing concentration on markers, with few small fires left in 7/A.	A-1503
29th/30th March	HALIFAX II HR 912 "B"	R. 120144 W/O Greenidge, J.A. R. 160773 P/O Lowe, F.E. R. 172645 Sgt. Lumy, Y.N. R. 106982 W/O Humphreys, R.O.E. 1822280 Sgt. Simons, A.E. W.A. R. 197965 Sgt. Wheeler, E.W. R. 212525 Sgt. Surridge, E.G.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B W/O R/C	18.19		This aircraft took off at 18.19 hours to carry out an attack on VAIRES with bombload as above, since which time nothing has been heard from it, and its loss must be presumed to be due to enemy action.	A-1504
30th/31st March	HALIFAX II HR 925 "B"	J. 22142 P/O A.J. Byford J. 21355 P/O R.V. Daly R. 114756 P/O Prentice, F.W. R. 849334 Sgt. Sney, R. 1845031 Sgt. Holden, A.L. R. 188973 Sgt. Frazee, H.C. 1824457 Sgt. Darnley, L.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B W/O R/C	20.32	01.40	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb mine and 2 x 1,000 lb. mines. Dardened at 23.30 hours, 15,000 ft. 118 degs., flares dropped 23.27 hrs., 15,000 ft. 165 degs. Visibility good, sea visible. All parachutes seen to open. Good group of flares seen by R/C, considered a good trip.	A-1505
30th/31st March	HALIFAX II HX 189 "B"	R. 110458 P/O Hartford, G.F. J. 24666 P/O H.D. Johnston R. 155149 Sgt. Foster, B.W. J. 27953 P/O J. Knox 1384574 Sgt. Butler, R. R. 216214 Sgt. Piotrowsky, F. R. 172132 Sgt. Teat, S.O.V.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B W/O R/C	20.25	02.08	Successful. Target mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. mine and 2 x 1,000 lb. mines. Dardened at 23.30 hours, 15,000 ft. 115 degs., HELIGOLAND visible, rocket gun action seen. 2/10th cloud encountered, tops 6,000 ft. All parachutes seen to open.	A-1506

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				Up	Down		
30th/31st March	HALIFAX II JP.130 "K"	J.7905 P/L J.D. Virtue J.24921 P/O J.R. Johnson R.157135 Sgt. Dadds, V.F. R.107620 W/O Britton, A.W. 1582850 Sgt. Gilbert, P.N. 135430 Sgt. Davenport, T. R.167132 Sgt. Stoyko, M.S.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B U/C R/G	20.34	01.43	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines and 2 x 1,000 lb. Mines. 10/10th cloud to 9/10,000 ft. in garden. Gardened at 23.29 hours, 14,600 ft., 115 degs. All parachutes seen to open. Markers well concentrated and all seen ware on time.	A-1507
30th/31st March	HALIFAX II JP.203 "M"	J.20078 P/L P.E. Detcher J.19609 P/O T.B. Johnson J.19879 P/O J.A. Barclay 1517446 Sgt. Darway, D. 1288376 Sgt. Scythay, B.W. R.193135 Sgt. Turbitt, D.G. R.158726 W/S RDB, T.H.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B U/C R/G	20.25	01.34	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines and 2 x 1,000 lb. Mines. No cloud, some haze, sea visible. Gardened at 23.33 hours, 15,000 ft., 118 degs., flares dropped at 23.29 hours, 15,000 ft., 118 degs. Three parachutes seen to open.	A-1508
30th/31st March	HALIFAX II JP.953 "O"	J.19888 P/O J.D. Quinn R.128451 W/O2 Gares, F.J. J.25352 P/O D.L. Lewis-Watts 1390386 Sgt. Richards, F.J.N. R.51651 Sgt. Petrina, M.J. R.184242 Sgt. Weeks, D.S. R.133231 W/O2 Dwyer, R.O.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B U/C R/G	20.30	01.25	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines and 2 x 1,000 lb. Mines. 10/10th cloud in Garden, but clear up to HELIGOLAND which was visible. Flares concentrated, but one minute early at 23.22 hours. Gardened at 23.28 hrs., 14,600 ft., 116 degs. Both parachutes seen to open.	A-1509
30th/31st March	HALIFAX II JP.201 "P"	J.23764 P/O W.F. Barclay J.24057 P/O P.G. Haskey R.26512 P/O M. Green R.114514 W/O1 Taylor, D.S. 1099356 Sgt. Hoarty, J. R.200108 Sgt. Devon, J.R. R.172495 Sgt. Gibson, D.R.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B U/C R/G	20.20	02.11	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines and 2 x 1,000 lb. Mines. 6/10th cloud, tops 11,000 ft. HELIGOLAND visible, and active with a/b's and rockets. Gardened at 23.34 hours, 14,600 ft., 116 degs. One parachute only seen to open.	A-1510
30th/31st March	HALIFAX II JP.354 "Q"	R.147417 P/S McIvor, R.A. R.157928 W/O2 Brennan, J.D. R.158757 Sgt. Goulding, S.A. R.149549 W/O2 Curridge, M.T. R.109302 Sgt. Rigden, S.J. R.190041 Sgt. Tucker, E.H. R.190031 Sgt. Dujay, D.R.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B U/C R/G	20.27	01.39	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines and 2 x 1,000 lb. Mines. Excellent visibility up to Garden. Gardened at 23.34 hours, 15,000 ft., 118 degs., flares dropped at 23.30 hours, 15,000 ft., 164 degs. 3 parachutes seen to open.	A-1511
30th/31st March	HALIFAX II JP.151 "R"	J.19336 P/O D.H. MacLean J.20489 P/O A.R. Hager R.146767 P/S Clancy, P.G. 1575653 Sgt. Woodhall, A.E. 1607479 Sgt. Harris, D.W.H. R.98321 Sgt. Auld, J.R. 1590775 Sgt. Stephenson, B.V.	P. N. A/B W/O P/B U/C R/G	20.17	01.48	Successful. Target Mining off HELIGOLAND BIGHT with 2 x 1,500 lb. Mines and 2 x 1,000 lb. Mines. No cloud in marking area, 10/10th cloud in gardening area. Gardened at 23.33 hrs., 15,000 ft., 118 degs, flares dropped at 23.29 hrs., 15,000 ft., 164 degs. Marking in line E-W, 3/4 mile long. All parachutes seen to open. Halifax nearly collided with A/C in garden, cut across fast from port. no letters seen.	A-1512

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