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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
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1st SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "K" HE. 974	(CAPT) P/S Macleod, J. S. (NAV) Sgt Godies, R. A. (B/A) Sgt Watt, L. R. (W/O) Sgt Dealla, J. F. (A/G) Sgt Henfrey, R. F.	BOMBING AVERSA	18.30	00.05	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.34 hrs. flying at 8,200 ft. Visibility was clear but cloud patches 6/10 thick at places. Flares quite scattered. Bombs were dropped and seen to burst in the marshalling yards. Negligible flak. No S/L. Fairly successful trip.	
1st SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "W" HE. 492	(CAPT) S/L Mettler, E. W. (NAV) P/O Dwyer, R. J. (B/A) P/O Macgill, R. J. (W/O) Sgt Macaulay, H. L. (A/G) Sgt Morrison, W. F. (2nd B/A) P/L Medwin, A. G.	BOMBING AVERSA	18.20	00.15	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.39 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Visibility fair but flares scattered over a wide area. Although this Captain searched up and down he was unable to identify the target only at the last moment and bombed the R.R. just as the last flares died. Apparently bombs were dropped over a wide area. Some flak from Naples but negligible from the target. No S/L. A none too successful trip.	
1st SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "R" HE. 583	(CAPT) P/O Lammie, J. (NAV) P/S Casorso, A. R. (B/A) P/S Montrose, D. J. (W/O) Sgt Williams, J. A. D. (A/G) P/S Reilly, J. P.	BOMBING AVERSA	18.50	00.25	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.35 hrs. flying at 6,500 ft. Visibility was good but flares were widely scattered. Bombs were dropped and seen to hit between the triangle of tracks and warehouses. A few flares were seen in the marshalling yards. Negligible flak. No S/L. A Ju.88 was seen flying North between 7/8000 ft. at CERNIA POINT. No attack. Good bombing.	
1st SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "M" HE. 582	(CAPT) W/O Basson R. A. (NAV) P/S Lorhouse, J. (B/A) Sgt Holmes, L. F. (W/O) Sgt Wren, G. A. (A/G) Sgt Cable, A. B.	BOMBING AVERSA	18.15	00.10	This A/C carrying 18 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.28 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Visibility clear but flares scattered. Bombs were dropped and hits were made in the concentration of warehouses and the R.R. junctions. Parts of buildings and other materials were seen to fly upward. Negligible flak. No S/L. A fire was noticed 5 miles N.E. of the town. Successful bombing.	
1st SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "C" HE. 477	(CAPT) P/S Byrindson, E. T. (NAV) P/S Thaler, L. F. (B/A) Sgt Hornibrook, L. B. (W/O) Sgt Deacon, L. R. (A/G) Sgt Hamus, W. T.	BOMBING AVERSA	18.15	00.25	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.39 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Visibility good but flares scattered. Bombs were dropped and seen to burst on the railway junction. Flak negligible. No S/L. Fairly good trip.	
2nd SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "B" HE. 273	(CAPT) S/L Ames, G. F. (NAV) P/O Leitch, L. F. (B/A) P/S Buss, P. H. (W/O) W/O McNeil, D. H. (A/G) W/O Ames, R. L. (2nd B/A) Sgt. Richardson, J. A.	NICKELLING SARDINIA EAST COAST	19.28	00.46	This A/C carrying 55 packages of leaflets started Nickelling on the East coast of Sardinia at 21.27 hours. This crew flew along the main towns along the coast at 8,000 ft. Visibility generally clear with cloud patches between 8 - 10/10. Considerable traffic was noticed on the roads. Numerous headlights were seen. Successful trip.	

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2nd SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "S" LN.423	(CAPT) P/O Lauro, J. (NAV) P/S Casorso, A.R. (B/A) P/S McEntee, D.J. (W/O) Sgt Willmer, H.A.D. (A/O) P/S Kelly, J.P. (2nd P/O) P/L Hedwin, A.G.	BOMBING SARDINIA	19.15	0100	This a/c carrying 40 packages of leaflets, dropped their nickels between 2135 hours and 2224 hours flying at 8,000 feet. Vis. generally clear with some cloud varying 6-10/10. Some slight inaccurate heavy and light flak was experienced during the trip, which was very successful.	
3rd SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "Q" HE.963	(CAPT) P/S Dingley, W. (NAV) P/S McFarlane, G.L. (B/A) Sgt Holmes, G.H. (W/O) P/O Forrester, F.R. (A/O) P/S Skinner, F.	BOMBING CAPODICHINO	2125	0300	This a/c carrying 36 flares arrived over the target at 0021 hours flying 10,000 ft. Hazy and poor visibility over the target. Flares were dropped and seemed to light up the target quite nicely. Moderate light and heavy inaccurate flak from the docks. 30 to 40 S/Ls were operating in cones of 5/5. Good trip.	
3rd SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "K" HE.974	(CAPT) Sgt Kelly, D. (NAV) Sgt Keppel, J.L. (B/A) Sgt Barnes, L.A.W. (W/O) Sgt Kimmins, R.D.C. (A/O) Sgt Bassett, M.	BOMBING CAPODICHINO	21.43	0330	This a/c carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs including 4 delays, arrived over the target at 0028 hours flying 7,000 feet. Visibility fair and flares fairly accurate. Bombs were dropped on the aiming point but results were not observed due to evasive action taken. Moderate fairly accurate to light and heavy flak. Numerous and quite effective S/Ls operating in cones of 3/5. Successful trip.	
3rd SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "D" HE.794	(CAPT) W/O Bassen, R.A. (NAV) P/S Lefthouse, J. (B/A) Sgt Holman, L.F. (W/O) Sgt Wren, G.A. (A/O) Sgt Cable, A.B.	BOMBING CAPODICHINO	2130	0335	This a/c carrying 18 x 250 lb bombs arrived over Grazzanise at 0031 hours flying 9,000 feet. Visibility fair but flares inaccurate, as they went off above cloud. It was impossible for this crew to identify the target. The Captain flew N. and dropped the bombs on the Aerodrome at Grazzanise with very good results. Bomb bursts were seen and a big fire started which could be seen 50 miles on the way back. Moderate heavy flak was experienced from the town and this a/c was holed in several places. Nothing serious and personnel unhurt. 25 S/Ls operating in cones of 3 were also noticed. Satisfactory trip as far as results of own bombing.	
3rd SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "B" HE.273	(CAPT) P/S MacLeod, J.S. (NAV) Sgt Gillies, R.A. (B/A) Sgt Watt, L.R. (W/O) Sgt DeLalla, J.P. (A/O) Sgt Rendrey, K.P.	BOMBING CAPODICHINO	2158	0403	This a/c carrying 1 x 4000 lb. bomb arrived over the target at 0053 hrs. flying 6700 feet. Hazy over the aiming point, flares scattered. Bombs were dropped on the target but bursts unseen due to evasive action. Moderate heavy accurate flak both light and heavy. Numerous ineffective S/Ls. Not a very satisfactory trip.	
3rd SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON X "S" LN.423	(CAPT) P/S McIntyre, R.J. (NAV) P/S McMillan, C.C. (B/A) Sgt Hamilton, N.R. (W/O) Sgt Wilson, A.H. (A/O) P/S Pearson, G.S. (2nd Pilot) P/S Dalglish, J.M.	BOMBING CAPODICHINO	2129	0303	This a/c carrying 1 x 4000 lb. bomb arrived over the target at 0026 hours flying at 9,000 feet. Vis. good with 6/10 cloud patches obscuring the target area. Flares somewhat scattered. It is believed that our bomb hit the target on the built-up area near it. No bursts were seen. Moderate inaccurate heavy flak at the target point. Some light inaccurate flak; 40/60 S/Ls including 3 blue ones were seen operating. Fairly effective. Fair trip.	

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3rd Sept. Night	WELLINGTON X "M" HF.582	(CAPT) F/O Sherlock, A.A. (NAV) F/O Greer, M.G. (B/A) Sgt McRae, M.W. (W/CP) Sgt Plummer, S.C. (A/G) Sgt Scheving, A.F.	BOMBING CAPODICHINO	2130	0330	This a/c carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 0025 hrs., flying 11,000 feet. Poor visibility and flares scattered. Bombs were dropped on the flares and scattered bomb-bursts were noted. Moderate to intense heavy flak, inaccurate, from the centre of the town. Some light flak was also experienced. 50/60 gls including several blue ones were working in cones of 4 to 5. Port engine was hit by flak. No serious damage. One flak ship seen near Salerno. Fairly successful trip.	
3rd Sept. Night	WELLINGTON X "J" ME.477	(CAPT) F/O Lambert, J.M.L. (NAV) F/S Peacock, W.T.F. (B/A) F/O Coutts, G.L. (W/CP) F/S Mailman, L.A. (A/G) F/S Vauz, R.G.	BOMBING CAPODICHINO	2144	2320	This aircraft carrying 18 x 500 lb. bombs jettisoned its bombs and returned early because of the Port engine of the manual pitch control being unserviceable.	
3rd Sept. Night	WELLINGTON X "C" HE.477	(CAPT) F/O Sherlock, E.T. (NAV) F/O Groswell, T.M. (B/A) F/O Raikes, S.W. (W/CP) Sgt Morris, T. (A/G) Sgt Rapely	BOMBING CAPODICHINO	2140	0300	This a/c carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 0023 hours flying at 10,000 ft. Visibility poor with patches of cloud. Flares somewhat scattered. Two sticks of bombs were seen to burst in the target area. Our own bursts were noticed in the built-up area. Some moderate inaccurate heavy flak was noticed with with 3/Ls. The latter were in cones of 12/15 and quite numerous. Some light inaccurate flak also experienced. Fairly successful trip.	
3rd Sept. Night	WELLINGTON X "A" HE.424	(CAPT) F/O Kelly, R.L. (NAV) F/S Livingston, J.R.C. (B/A) Sgt Davies, R.C.A. (W/CP) W/O O'Connor, H.M. (A/G) F/S Cameron, R.E.H.	BOMBING DICHINO	2135	0305	This a/c carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs, arrived over the target at 0028 hours flying 12,000 feet. Visibility poor with 6/10 cloud and haze. Flares quite scattered. A smoke screen appeared to be operating over the town. Bombs were dropped but no bursts were seen. Heavy flak negligible. Some inaccurate heavy flak. 60/70 inaccurate 3/Ls were operating in cones. What appeared to be an army camp was noticed North of the target area. Fair trip.	
3rd Sept. Night	WELLINGTON X "R" HE.563	(CAPT) F/S Webb, A.S. (NAV) F/O Lee, J.G. (B/A) Sgt Mooney, H.O. (W/CP) Sgt Mann, J.H. (A/G) F/S Humes, A.J.	BOMBING CAPODICHINO	2125	0254	This aircraft carrying 18 x 250 lbs. bombs arrived over the target at 0022 hours flying at 8,000 feet. Visibility fair and flares fairly accurate. One bomb was seen to burst across western corner of the aiming point. Other bursts seen in the same area. Moderate inaccurate flak, light and heavy. Numerous 3/Ls were also noted - ineffective. Good trip.	
4th Sept. Night	WELLINGTON X "C" HF.477	(CAPT) F/S MacLeod, J.S. (NAV) Sgt Colless, R.A. (B/A) Sgt Watt, L.R.A. (W/CP) Sgt Delalla, J.F. (A/G) Sgt Renfrey, K.F.	BOMBING GRAMANISE	1952	0136	This a/c carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 2250 hours flying at 7200 feet. Visibility fair and flares quite accurate. Bombs were dropped on the airdrome and the pilot saw numerous bursts. A large fire was seen East of the airdrome. Some slight inaccurate flak. Successful trip.	

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4-9-43 Night.	Wellington Mk X "J" HS.477	(CAPT) P/S Wilton, H.M. (NAV) Sgt Moore, R.W. (B/A) P/O Irvine, A.A. (W/OF) Sgt Meyer, W.L. (A/G) Sgt Marshall, W.A.	BOMBING GRAZZANISE	1950	0145	This a/c carried 18 x 250 lbs. bombs, arrived over the target at 2247 hours flying at 8,000 feet. Poor visibility. Most flares were accurate and very helpful. Bombs were seen to fall and bursts noticed on the aerodrome. Numerous other bomb bursts were seen on the runways and buildings. What is believed to be an aircraft was seen to glow up at 2310 hours, position 4050 N. 1340 E. Slight ineffective flak and clouds. 15 S/Ls were operating near the target. A P/W camp was seen south of Capua surrounded by a string of greenish lights. A hospital ship was seen at sea north of Bastia. A successful trip.	
4-9-43 Night.	Wellington Mk X "W" HS.492	(CAPT) P/O Lambert, J.M. (NAV) P/S Peacock, W.T. (B/A) P/O Goutie, G.L. (W/OF) P/S Mailman, L.A. (A/G) P/S Tish, R.G.	BOMBING GRAZZANISE	1954	0135	This a/c carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 2254 hours flying at 10,000 feet. Vis. was poor, 10/10 clouds, which, although a formidable obstacle, our flares proved accurate and very helpful. Our bomb bursts were not seen but others were seen to fall on the aerodrome. Negligible flak and a few ineffective S/Ls were noticed. Gun flashes seen on the North slope of Sicily. Successful trip.	
4-9-43 Night.	Wellington Mk X "Z" HS.583	(CAPT) P/O Laure, J. (NAV) P/O Casorso, B.A. (B/A) P/S Mosher, D.J. (W/OF) P/O Wallner, H.A.D. (A/G) P/O Kelly, J.P.	BOMBING GRAZZANISE	1955	0210	This a/c carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 2254 hours flying at 8500 feet. Visibility poor, 6-8/10ths clouds, but flares were accurate and holes-in-clouds. What was believed to have been an aircraft was seen going down in flames over the aerodrome at 2255 hours. An aircraft was also seen trying to take-off on the aerodrome. A big explosion was seen and a large fire was noticed in the buildings on the aerodrome. Flares could be seen fifty miles away on the return trip. Negligible flak and a few ineffective S/Ls on the aerodrome. Successful trip.	
4-9-43 Night.	Wellington Mk X "P" HS.795	(CAPT) P/S Yarnbrock, W.P. (NAV) Sgt Pindlater (B/A) Sgt Richardson, J.A. (W/OF) Sgt Hanson, L. (A/G) Sgt Morrissey	BOMBING GRAZZANISE	1950	0155	This a/c carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs, arrived over the target at 2253 hours flying at 7000 feet. Visibility poor but flares accurate and most helpful. Bombs were dropped and 2 bombs were seen to explode on the aerodrome. Numerous other bursts were also noticed. Negligible flak. Ineffective S/Ls. A very large explosion followed by fire, which looked like a petrol fire, were seen as this a/c was leaving the target area. A fire was seen at sea 4010 N., 1330 E. at 2320 hours. Successful trip.	
4-9-43 Night	Wellington Mk X "L" HS.582	(CAPT) P/O Sherlock, A.A. (NAV) P/O Greer, M.G. (B/A) Sgt Macrae, M.W. (W/OF) Sgt Flumer, S.C. (A/G) Sgt Schering, A.K.	BOMBING GRAZZANISE	1948	0208	This a/c carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 2251 hours flying 8200 feet. Vis. poor but flares accurate. Bombs were dropped and seen to burst on the aerodrome. Numerous other bursts were noticed in the same place. Dispersals which were plainly seen, were empty. Flak and S/L negligible. A large fire was seen burning on the aerodrome as this a/c was leaving for the coast. A large explosion was also noticed. A very successful trip.	

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4th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "W" HE. 974	(CAPT) P/O Sherlock, S.T. (NAV) P/O Cronwell, R.H. (B/A) P/O Radke, S.W. (W/G) Sgt Morris, T. (A/G) Sgt Hagely, G.H.	BOMBING CORNICIA	1955	0215	This aircraft was carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arriving over target at 2317 hours flying 15,000 feet. Visibility poor but flares accurate and effective. Bombs were dropped and bursts were seen on the target. Numerous other bursts were also seen in target. Heigible flak and 2 ineffective S/Bs were noticed. As this aircraft was on its way to base, the R/G saw a large explosion 25 miles away. Must have been on the target. A successful trip.	
6th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "X" IL. 441	(CAPT) P/L James, R.R. (NAV) P/S Henderson, DE (B/A) P/O Spencer, H.J. (W/G) Sgt Smith, T.J. (A/G) P/S Moore, J.L.	CORSICA	1925	0145	This aircraft carrying 50 packages of leaflets (250,000), flew over Agaccio, Bastia and town between in Corsica, from 2215 hours to 2247 hours at 6500 feet. Visibility was generally clear over the covered area; all leaflets were dropped and appeared to catch the aiming points quite well. Some light and inaccurate flak was experienced. The aerodrome at Terranova was lit up. Successful trip.	
6th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "J" MS. 477	(CAPT) P/S Dingley, W. (NAV) P/S McParlane, C.I. (B/A) Sgt Selmes, G.H. (W/G) P/O Forrester, F.R. (A/G) P/S Skinner, P.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	2100	0215	This aircraft carrying 6 x 500 lb., 4 x 250 lb., plus 4 x 40 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 2352 hours flying at 8500 feet. Visibility was clear with a few cloud patches, but flares were very accurate. Bombs were dropped and seen to burst on the Marshalling yards. A great many other bombs were seen to burst on the aiming point. Incendiaries seemed to carpet the town and a great many fires resulted therefrom. This aiming point should be out of use for some time. Some flak shot up from Salerno. A white light was noticed flashing M.U. Vect. A very successful trip.	
6th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "R" HE. 583	(CAPT) P/O Lamb, J. (NAV) P/O MacGregor, D. (B/A) P/S McInnes, D.J. (W/G) Sgt Wilmer, H.A.D. (A/G) P/S Kelly, J.P. (2nd Pilot) P/S Dalgleish, J.M.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	2055	0237	This aircraft was carrying 6 x 500 lb., 4 x 250 lb. bombs plus 4 S.B.C. arriving over the target at 2357 hours and flying at 9,000 feet. Good visibility and flares were bang on. Bombs were dropped and seen to burst in the Marshalling yards. Many other bursts were seen on the same point. Numerous fires carpeted the area. Tremendous damage must have been resulted from this raid. No flak at the target but some shot up from Montecorvino. Two horizontal search lights were operating with R/A from Monte Diabelli. One of these aircraft was seen heading H.W. at 8,000 feet. No attack. Very successful raid.	
6th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "W" HE. 92	(CAPT) P/S Sills, J.L. (NAV) P/O Pitkethly, A. (B/A) P/S Langlois, G.A.R. (W/G) Sgt Allen, L. (A/G) Sgt Ingram, R.J.B.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	2105		This aircraft carrying 6 x 500 lb., 4 x 250 lb. bombs and 4 S.B.C. took off at 2105 hours. Unfortunately nothing has been heard of crew or craft since take-off time.	

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6th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "A" HE.424	(CAPT) S/L Amies, G.F. (NAV) F/O Soutar, J.R. (B/A) F/S Buss, F.H. (W/CP) W/O McNeill, D.H. (A/C) W/O Arnold, R.L.	BOMBING BATIAPAGLIA	2055	0250	This a/c carrying 36 flares and acting as illuminator arrived over the target at 2356 hours and flying at a height of 6000 feet. Visibility was clear. The target was easily identified and flares were dropped and believed to have been accurate as the target seemed to be lit up. Numerous double bursts were noticed in the Marshalling Yards. Dozens of fires were seen including an outstanding large one. The town itself was somewhat carpeted with fires. A very large explosion was seen and the resulting fire could be seen for 15 minutes after flying away from the area. Should be a very successful trip.	
6th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "B" HE.795	(CAPT) F/O Kelly, R.I. (NAV) Sgt Gillis, R.A. (B/A) Sgt Davies, A.G.A. (W/CP) W/O O'Connor, H.M. (A/C) F/S Cameron, E.E.	BOMBING BATIAPAGLIA	2100	0230	This aircraft carrying 6 x 500 lb., 4 x 250 lb. plus 3 x 30 lb. S.B.C. bombs arrived over the large target at 2359 hours at a height of 6000 feet. Visibility fair and flares were accurate. Bombs were seen to drop and burst across the East end of the Marshalling Yards. Many other bomb bursts were seen in the area. Many fires were also noticed in the area. A very large explosion was noticed at 0003 hours at about just as the aircraft was crossing. Some inaccurate flak was encountered over the target. Very successful raid.	
6th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "Q" HE.968	(CAPT) F/O Sherlock, E.T. (NAV) F/O Croswell, I.H. (B/A) F/O Reike, S.W. (W/CP) Sgt Morris, J. (A/C) Sgt Repely, E.	BOMBING BATIAPAGLIA	2110	0234	This aircraft was carrying 6 x 250 lb., plus 4 x 250 lb., plus 3 x 30 lb. S.B.C. arrived over the target at 2353 hours and flying at 7500 feet. Visibility was poor and flares though hindered by this, alighted accurately on target. Our bombs and numerous others were observed to hit the target area. Many fires were started in the Marshalling Yards and in the town. An exceptional large one was seen blazing in the middle of the Yards. Some light and inaccurate flak shot up from the coastal area. A very successful trip.	
6th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "D" HE.294	(CAPT) Sgt Fowler, B.S. (NAV) Sgt Zussman, J. (B/A) Sgt Buckland, G.A. (W/CP) Sgt Flower, N. (A/C) Sgt Renfrey, E.	BOMBING BATIAPAGLIA	2053	0243	This aircraft was carrying 6 x 500 lb. plus 3 x 30 lbs. of S.B.C. and arrived over the target at 2359 hours flying at 6000 feet. Some scattered cloud, but flares very accurate. Our bombs were dropped and seen to burst across the West end of the Marshalling Yards. Several other bursts were observed in the same area and also to the North and South of it. A very large explosion was also noticed in the target area, just as the a/c left the place. May have been oil or gas. The fires from this operational sortie could be still seen 70 miles away. No negligible flak encountered and S/Ls were not in play. An enemy aircraft was spotted on the port side. Was silhouetted by the light from the fires on the target area. Very successful trip.	

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6th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "M" AP.582	(CAPT) P/O Sherlock, A.A. (NAV) P/O Greer, M.G. (B/A) Sgt McKee, M.W. (W/OP) Sgt Plummer, S.C. (A/G) Sgt Scheving, A.K.	BOMBING BATTAGLIA	2105	0255	This aircraft was carrying 6 x 500 lb., 4 x 250 lb. plus 3 x 50 lb. S.B.C. bombs arriving over the target at 0000 hours flying at 8000 feet. Weather hazy, but flares accurate. Bombs were dropped across Marshalling Yards and bursts were clearly noted, besides numerous others. Immense fires seemed to carpet the town and the bombing area. A transformer station seemed to be on fire. A very large explosion was seen at 0005 hours in the South end of the Yards. An enemy a/c was seen flying at 8000 feet. No attack. A very successful raid.	
7th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "J" HE.477	(CAPT) P/O Sherlock, E.T. (NAV) P/O Crosswell, E.H. (B/A) P/O Baile, S.W. (W/OP) Sgt Morris, T. (A/G) Sgt Rapely, C.H.	BOMBING VITERBO	1755	0015	This aircraft carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 2159 hours flying at 7700 feet. Visibility clear but flares scattered. This crew searched 13 minutes before finding the bombing area. Bombs were seen bursting over a wharf area. Some slight flak was experienced. Identified enemy aircraft seen at 2045 hours flying 7500 feet from dead astern. Fair trip.	
7th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "C" HE.477	(CAPT) P/S MacLeod, J.S. (NAV) Sgt Collins, R.A. (B/A) Sgt Watt, L.R.A. (W/OP) Sgt Delalls, J.P. (A/G) Sgt Renfrey, K.	BOMBING VITERBO	1755	0030	This aircraft was carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over target at 2147 hours flying at 7200 feet. Hazy but flares were accurately dropped. Bombs were released across the hangars but bursts were not observed. A small fire and light flak smoke was noticed in the area. Considerable light and heavy flak was experienced. 3 JU.88's were seen in formation at 8000 feet at 2147 hours. Evasive action was taken and enemy aircraft were lost. Successful trip.	
7th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "P" HE.795	(CAPT) P/O Sherlock, A.A. (NAV) P/O Greer, M.G. (B/A) Sgt McKee, M.W. (W/OP) Sgt Plummer, S.C. (A/G) Sgt Scheving, A.K.	BOMBING VITERBO	1755	0045	This aircraft was carrying 18 x 250 lbs. bombs arriving over the target at 2200 hours and flying at an altitude of 8000 feet. Circled over the target for 15 minutes and after dropping flares, followed by bombs. Some light and heavy inaccurate flak was shot up from the town; no searchlights were seen. Unsatisfactory trip.	
7th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "A" HE.424	(CAPT) W/O Basson, E.A. (NAV) P/S Lethouse, J. (B/A) Sgt Helman, L.F. (W/OP) Sgt Wren, G. A. (A/G) Sgt Cable, A.B.	BOMBING VITERBO	1800	0050	This aircraft was carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 2153 hours flying 8000 feet. A slight haze over the target but flares were dropped. Circles/flares three times before bombing. Buildings were seen lighted up with blazing fires. Bursts were seen but no results were observed. Some heavy inaccurate flak over the target. No searchlights were visible. A fair trip.	
7th SEPT. Night.	WELLINGTON MK X "D" HE.294	(CAPT) P/O Kelly, R.L. (NAV) P/O Souter, J.R. (B/A) Sgt Davies, R.B.A. (W/OP) W/O O'Connor, H.M. (A/G) P/S Cameron, E.H.	BOMBING VITERBO	1750	0055	This aircraft was carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs on arriving over the target at 2147 hours and flying at a height of 7500 feet. Visibility was clear but some haze. Flares were quite good. Bombs were dropped on the S-East end of the 'drome and bursts were seen thereon. Two fires were also noticed. Slight light and heavy flak was shot up from the town. Fair trip.	

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7th SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "O" HL 479	(CAPT) F/O KIRLEY, S. (NAV) F/O Fletcher, R.L. (B/A) Sgt Bell, R.W. (W/CF) F/O Demers, R.J. (A/G) Sgt Ritchie, G.W.	BOMBING VITERBO	16.00	01.05	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.44 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Visibility fair but hazy. Bombs were dropped on the aiming point and bursts were seen in the area. Several fires were also noticed in the barracks. No defences nor S/L on the target but some slight heavy flak from the town. Fair trip.	
7th SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "R" HL 343	(CAPT) F/O Lawro, J. (NAV) F/O McGregor, W.K. (B/A) F/S McIntee, D.L. (W/CF) Sgt Willmer, H.A.D. (A/G) F/S Kelly, J.P.	BOMBING VITERBO	17.50	00.45	This A/C carrying 36 flares arrived over the target at 21.44 hours flying at 9,000 ft. Weather hazy. In haze mistook area but saw correct aerodrome after release. No defences at bombing point. Some along the Coast and a few S/L. Two unidentified A/C were seen at 21.50 hrs. heading N.E. at 6,000 ft. A large convoy was seen at MARITIME. Looked like warships. Poor trip.	
7th SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "u" HL 960	(CAPT) F/S Dingley, W. (NAV) F/S McFarlane, C.L. (B/A) Sgt Seimes, G.H. (W/CF) F/O Porrester, F.L. (A/G) F/S SKINNER, F.	BOMBING VITERBO	17.55	00.40	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.47 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. Slight haze. Bombs were dropped on the hangars. 3 sticks were seen to burst right at this point. 2 fires were noticed in the N.E. corner. No flak or S/L on the target but some shot up from the town. 3 S/L were also operating at the mouth of the Tiber. Fair trip.	
8th SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "S" LN 423	(CAPT) F/O Sherlock E.T. (NAV) F/O Croswell, T.H. (B/A) F/O Haiko, S.W. (W/CF) Sgt Morris, T. (A/G) Sgt Rapely, C.M.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	18.20	01.00	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.59 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. Visibility clear and flares effective. Bombs were dropped and bursts were seen in the centre of the town. Negligible defences over the target. 15/20 S/L were operating in cones N. of Salerno. One A/C was seen to be coned at this point. One H/A/G was seen at 22.10 hrs. No attack. Incendiaries were seen on the track between Monte Corvino and Battipaglia. 2 hospital ships were seen, one at Gaeta and near MARITIME. Successful trip.	
8th SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "L" LN 433	(CAPT) F/S MacLeod, J.S. (NAV) Sgt Goliss, R.A. (B/A) Sgt Watt, L.W. (W/CF) Sgt Delallo, J.P. (A/G) Sgt Remfrey, K.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	18.23	01.08	This A/C carrying 1 x 4000 pounder arrived over the target at 21.57 hours flying at 7,200 ft. Weather clear but a slight haze. Incendiaries hit seen in the centre of the built-up area and own 4000 pounder dropped right in the middle and was seen to burst. A very large explosion, giving off green flashes was noticed in the north of the marshalling yards. Some scattered heavy accurate flak was experienced from the town. 10/15 S/L co-operating with A.A. guns were also seen. Defences fairly hot towards Salerno. A JU 88 was seen at 22.08 hrs., no attack. A naval bombardment was also noticed near the Salerno area. Successful trip.	

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8th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "X" HE.441	(CAPT) P/O G. Groat, A.C. (NAV) P/O Agrios, J.R. (B/A) P/O Gilbert, G.W. (W/CP) Sgt Smith, T.J. (A/G) P/O Oaklaway, D.B.	BOMBING BATIFAGLIA	18.10	01.25	This A/C carrying 1 x 4000 pounder arrived over the target at 22.01 hrs. flying at 9,200 ft. Visibility fair and flares effective. One bomb was dropped in the town and although other bursts were noticed, own was not seen. Negligible flak over the target area. No S/L 7/6 of the latter were operating in the Naples District. Successful trip.	
8th SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "Q" HE.968	(CAPT) P/O Dingley, W. (NAV) P/O MacFarlane, C.I. (B/A) P/O Soames, C.H. (W/CP) P/O Forrester, F.R. (A/G) P/O Skinner, F.	BOMBING BATIFAGLIA	18.25	01.15	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.58 hours flying at 8,000 ft. Good visibility and flares effective. Own bomb bursts were noticed in the town and one 4000 pounder was seen to burst N. of the marshalling yards. Two small fires were also noticed in the same place. Negligible flak, no S/L. Successful trip.	
8th SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "E" HE.971	(CAPT) P/O Kelly, R.L. (NAV) P/O Souter, J. (B/A) Sgt Davies, R.G.A. (W/CP) W/O O'Connor, R.H. (A/G) P/O Cameron, R.E.H. (2nd B/A) P/O Medwin, A.G.	BOMBING BATIFAGLIA	18.33	01.23	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.00 hours flying at 2,200 ft. Fair visibility with some haze. Bombs were dropped and incendiaries were noticed in the marshalling yards. Quite a number of incendiaries were seen to drop in the area. Negligible flak and no S/L. 3 warships were seen heading towards GASTA. Good trip.	
8th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "O" HE.479	(CAPT) P/O Kirley, S.A. (NAV) P/O Fletcher, R. (B/A) Sgt Bell, R.W. (W/CP) P/O Demers, R.V. (A/G) Sgt Ritchie, G.E.	BOMBING BATIFAGLIA	18.20	01.25	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.50 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Fair visibility, some haze. Flares quite effective. Bombs were dropped in the town and bursts were seen. Numerous bomb bursts were also noticed N. of the marshalling yards. Incendiaries were seen to fall as this A/C was leaving. One 4000 pounder was seen to land in the middle of the incendiaries. Negligible flak over the target, but A/C accurate guns were shooting from the town. A heavy barrage of light and heavy flak was shot up by ships in the bay. One cruiser and several small ships were seen off Cape Bon at about 19.25 hrs. Three destroyers were also noticed heading towards Gasta at 22.30 hrs. A successful trip.	
8th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "R" HE.563	(CAPT) P/O Sherlock, A.H. (NAV) P/O Greer, M.G. (B/A) Sgt McKee, M.W. (W/CP) Sgt Plummer, S.C. (A/G) Sgt Schenker, A.K.	BOMBING GASTA	23.50	05.40	This A/C carrying 3 x 500 lb. bombs and one box of leaflets arrived over the target at 02.50 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Fair visibility. Flares accurate. Bombs were dropped and hits scored on the tip of the harbour. Leaflets were dropped. No flak or S/L - what looked like a hospital ship was seen 16 miles off Gasta Point. Good trip.	

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8th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "D" HE.794	(CAPT) Sgt Fowler, B.S. (NAV) Sgt Zussman, J. (B/A) Sgt Buckland, G.A. (W/CF) Sgt Flower, N. (A/G) Sgt Betteridge, E.	BOMBING GAETA.	23.45	05.46	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs plus one box of leaflets arrived over the target at 02.55 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Fair visibility, flares effective. Bombs were dropped in the harbour and blue sparks were noticed besides the bomb bursts. No flak or S/L. Nickels were dropped over the town. A lighted ship was seen at sea carrying red, green and white lights. Several explosions were noticed at FORBIO. Successful trip.	
10th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "J" HE.477	(CAPT) F/O Kelly, R.L. (NAV) Sgt Livingston, J.R.C. (B/A) Sgt Davies, R.C.A. (W/CF) W/O O'Connor, H.M. (A/G) F/S Cameron, R.E.R. (2nd B/A) Sgt Eickman, E.	NICKELING ROME	18.55	01.25	This A/C carrying 100,000 nickels was over the target between 22.04 hrs. and 22.16 hrs. Visibility was poor with 10/10th cloud. Nickels were dropped 10 miles N. of ROME flying 10,000 ft. No flak or S/L. Good trip.	
10th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "K" HE.582	(CAPT) F/S MacLeod, J.S. (NAV) Sgt Colless, R.A. (B/A) Sgt Watt, L.R.V. (W/CF) Sgt Delaile, J.F. (A/G) Sgt Renfrey, E.	BOMBING FORBIO	17.40	00.20	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.02 hrs. flying 6,200 ft. Fair visibility and flares accurate. Bombs were dropped on the junction and bomb bursts were not seen because of the smoke. No flak. No S/L. Good trip.	
10th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "J" HE.477	(CAPT) Sgt Fowler, B.S. (NAV) Sgt Zussman, J. (B/A) Sgt Buckland, G.A. (W/CF) Sgt Flower, N. (A/G) Sgt Betteridge, E.	BOMBING FORBIO	17.52	00.27	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.15 hrs. flying at 6,300 ft. Visibility fair but flares very accurate. Bombs were dropped on the aiming point and bursts were seen in the houses at the aiming point. No flak or S/L. A few small fires were seen in the target area. A terrific red explosion in the sky at 21.06 hrs. at 5000 ft. Successful trip.	
10th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "R" HE.583	(CAPT) S/L Mettler, L.W. (NAV) F/O Digney, R.J. (B/A) F/O Spencer, R.J. (W/CF) F/S Macaulay, N.A. (A/G) Sgt Allen, J.B. (2nd Plt) F/S Dalglish, J.M.	BOMBING FORBIO	17.45	00.05	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.07 hrs. flying 6,000 ft. Poor visibility but flares accurate. Bombs were dropped and seen to burst in the road junction. Negligible flak. No S/L. A large convoy of warships was seen heading S. of Cape Bon. Good trip.	
10th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "O" HE.479	(CAPT) F/S Dingley, W. (NAV) F/S MacFarlane, C.I. (B/A) Sgt Gelses, G.H. (W/CF) F/O Forrester, F.R. (A/G) F/S Skinner, F.	BOMBING FORBIO	17.45	00.10	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.02 hours flying at 6,000 ft. Bombs were dropped and bursts were seen in road junction. A blue flash was noticed at the same time. No flak or S/L. Good trip.	

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10th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "F" HL 795	(CAPT) W/O Bassen, R.A. (NAV) F/S Lefthouse, J. (B/A) Sgt Helman, J. (W/O) Sgt Wren, G.A. (A/G) Sgt Cable, A.E.	BOMBING FORGOTTEN	17.45	00.20	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.03 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Bombs were dropped at the intersections of the X-roads, and bursts were seen. No flak or S/L. A hospital ship was seen at 38.42N, 1105E. at 22.45 hrs. heading N.W. Good trip.	
10th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "E" HL 974	(CAPT) F/O Kirley, S.A. (NAV) F/O Fletcher, R.E. (B/A) Sgt Bell, R.W. (W/O) F/O Demers, R.J. (A/G) Sgt Hitchie, G.E.	BOMBING FORGOTTEN	18.45	00.30	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.10 hours flying at 7,000 ft. Fair visibility but flares accurate. Bombs were seen to drop on the cross roads and bursts were noticed. Several small fires were seen on a hill 1 mile N. of the town. No flak or S/L. A hospital ship was seen at 22.55 hrs. N. of MARATHO.	
10th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "G" HL 968	(CAPT) F/O Groat, A.G. (NAV) F/O Agrios, J.E. (B/A) F/S Gilbert, G.W. (W/O) Sgt Smith, I.G. (A/G) F/O Callaway, D.B. (2nd A/G) F/L Medwin, A.G.	BOMBING FORGOTTEN	17.35	00.40	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.10 hours flying at 7,000 ft. Fair visibility, flares quite accurate. Two of own bursts were noticed right on the aiming point. Visibility fair but flares accurate. No flak or S/L. a few small fires noticed on hill N. of target. A large explosion was noticed at the foot of a hill. Good trip.	
11th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "E" HL 974	(CAPT) W/O Bassen, R. (NAV) F/S Lefthouse, J. (B/A) Sgt Helman, J. (W/O) Sgt Wren, G.A. (A/G) Sgt Cable, A.E.	BOMBING FORGOTTEN	18.20	00.01	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. plus 6 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.10 hrs. flying at 7,600 ft. Good visibility and flares very accurate. Bombs were dropped and bursts were seen on the aiming point. Two fires were seen in the target area. Moderate light inaccurate flak. No S/L. 2 JU.88 were seen at 21.21 hrs. and 21.24 hrs. at 4116N 1307E - no attack. Own gunner fired at the 2 A/C then this pilot took evasive action. E/A/C was lost to sight. Successful trip.	
11th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "D" HL 794	(CAPT) F/S Rynderson, E.T. (NAV) F/S Thaler, J.D. (B/A) Sgt Hambrook, J.B. (W/O) Sgt Deacon, L.R. (A/G) Sgt Harris, W.T.	BOMBING FORGOTTEN	18.15	23.55	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.09 hours flying at 8,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Bombs were dropped in the buildings on the aerodrome and bursts were noticed. A few small fires were seen to start. Some light and heavy flak, inaccurate. No S/L. Good trip.	
11th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "I" HL 582	(CAPT) F/O Sherlock, A. (NAV) F/O Green, L.G. (B/A) Sgt McRae, L.W. (W/O) Sgt Plummer, S.C. (A/G) Sgt Scheving, R.N.	BOMBING FORGOTTEN	18.00	23.50	This A/C carrying 36 flares and acting as illuminator arrived over the target at 20.54 hrs. flying at 10,000 ft. Good visibility but somewhat heavy. Target easily identified and flares dropped correctly. 2 E/A/C seen at 20.59 hrs. at 8,000 ft. No attack. Some moderate and fairly accurate flak from several positions in surrounding hills near the target area. One S/L seen 1 mile W. of the aiming point. Two large convoys were seen, one of 22 ships at about 25 miles S. of MARATHO and the other off shore heading for the open sea. A large explosion was noticed just as this A/C was leaving the area. Good trip.	

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11th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "R" HL 582	(CAPT) P/S Kingsley, W. (NAV) P/O McGregor, W.E. (B/A) Sgt Selmes, G.H. (W/CP) P/O Forrester, R.R. (A/G) P/S Skinner, F.	BOMBING PROSINONE	18.20	23.45	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.10 hrs. flying at 9,200 ft. Good visibility, flares quite accurate. Bombs were dropped on the hangars and bursts were seen on the S.E. corner of the aiming point. Some moderate inaccurate flak W. and S.W. of the target. A very large convoy (46 ships) was seen heading S.E. 25 miles off Cape Bon. Good trip.	
11th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "A" HL 424	(CAPT) P/O Kelly, R.L. (NAV) P/S Livingston, J. (B/A) Sgt Davies, R.G.H. (W/CP) P/O O'Connor, H.L. (A/G) P/S Cameron, R. E.H.	BOMBING PROSINONE	18.14	23.50	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.11 hours flying at 9,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Bombs were dropped on the aerodrome and bursts were noticed in the built-up area. A few fires were also started. A very large explosion was seen in the target area. Some negligible flak, no S/L.	
11th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "B" HL 423	(CAPT) P/O Sherlock, E.L. (NAV) P/O Groswell, R.H. (B/A) P/O Baile, G.W. (W/CP) Sgt Morris, T. (A/G) Sgt Rapely, G.H.	BOMBING PROSINONE	22.15	03.45	This A/C carrying 1 x 4000 pounder arrived over the target at 01.04 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Good visibility and flares quite accurate. Bombs were aimed at the buildings S. of the sections. Bombs were seen to burst in the middle. Negligible flak, no S/L. A large convoy was seen near MARATHA at 01.55 hrs. Good trip.	
11th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "F" HL 795	(CAPT) P/O Kirley, G.L. (NAV) P/O Fletcher, R.E. (B/A) Sgt Bell, R.W. (W/CP) P/O Demers, R.J. (A/G) Sgt Ritchie, G.H.	BOMBING PROSINONE	22.15	04.05	This A/C carrying 6 x 500 lb., 2 x 250 lb. plus 3 S.E.G. lb. bombs arrived over the target at 01.10 hours flying at 8,000 ft. Some haze or smoke over the target but flares quite effective. Bombs were dropped and seen to burst on the flare concentration. A few ineffective A.L. were operating mainly from W. of the A/F. No S/L. Two convoys were seen at sea. Good trip.	
11th SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "J" HL 477	(CAPT) P/S Wilton, R.L. (NAV) Sgt Moore, R.W. (B/A) P/O Irvine, A.J. (W/CP) Sgt Mayer, W.L. (A/G) Sgt Marshall, W.A.	BOMBING PROSINONE	18.15	00.15	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.15 hrs. flying at 10,000 ft. Some haze but flares quite accurate. Bombs were dropped and bursts were seen in the buildings S.E. of the A/F. Negligible flak. No S/L. A large red glow was seen over the bombing point as this A/C arrived. What appeared to be 3 parachutes were seen dropping from 5/6000 ft. Successful trip.	
12 SEPT. Night	WELLINGTON X "A" HL 424	(CAPT) P/O Kelly, R.L. (NAV) P/S Livingston, J. (B/A) Sgt Davies, R. (W/CP) P/O O'Connor, H.L. (A/G) P/S Cameron, R.	BOMBING CASTELNUOVA	18.05	00.25	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.32 hrs. flying at 7,500 ft. Good visibility and flares very accurate. Bombs were dropped and bursts seen on the aiming point. No defences or S/L on the target. A hospital ship was seen at sea at 22.30 hrs. 60 miles S. of Salerno. Successful trip.	

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12th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "E" HL 974	(CAPT) P/S Macdonald, J.A. (NAV) Sgt Collins, R.A. (B/A) Sgt Watters, J.A. (W/O) Sgt Delalla, J.P. (A/G) Sgt Hendrey, K.	BOMBING CASTELNUOVA	18.10	00.35	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.28 hrs. flying at 7,500 ft. Good visibility and flares very accurate. Own bursts were seen across the road junction. Many other bomb bursts were also noticed. A very concentrated and successful raid. The Rear Gunner believed he saw transports on the road.	
12th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "X" HL 441	(CAPT) P/S McArthur, R.A. (NAV) P/S Barry, J.B.R. (B/A) Sgt Hamilton, H.B. (W/O) Sgt Wilson, L.L. (A/G) P/S Pearce, G.C. (2nd Pit) P/S Daigleish, J.L.	BOMBING CASTELNUOVA	18.07	00.35	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.29 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Good visibility and flares quite accurate. Bombs were dropped and bursts were seen on the same cross roads. Other bomb bursts were noticed in the same place. No flak or A/L over the target. Some inaccurate heavy flak from CAPA. Good trip.	
12th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "J" HL 966	(CAPT) Sgt MacLennan, D.R. (NAV) P/O Combe, G.J. (B/A) P/O Cable, R.D. (W/O) Sgt Bailey, P.A. (A/G) Sgt Gibbs, P.H.	BOMBING CASTELNUOVA	18.09	00.35	The A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.30 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Own bombs were seen to burst on the A/P. No flak or A/L on the target but some light inaccurate flak shot up from Capua. Three unidentified A/C were seen flying at 8,000 ft. one heading West over Capua at 21.12 hrs. No attack. Successful and concentrated raid.	
12th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "H" HL 583	(CAPT) P/L Mettler, L.W. (NAV) P/O Digby, R.A. (B/A) P/O Paquin, R.H. (W/O) Sgt Macaulay, J.A. (A/G) Sgt Allen, J.E. (2nd B/A) P/L Leawin, A.G.	BOMBING CASTELNUOVA	17.45	00.50	This A/C carrying 36 flares and acting as illuminator arrived over the target at 21.30 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Flares were dropped right on the cross roads. The attack appeared to be very concentrated and should do considerable damage. One large fire was noticed W. of Villa Inferna at 20.53 hrs. This fire could be seen before this A/C came in and was burning when this plane was on the way back. Good trip.	
12th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "B" HL 795	(CAPT) P/S Ryndinson, J.A. (NAV) P/S Thaler, R.A. (B/A) Sgt Morrisbrooke, J.D. (W/O) Sgt Deacon, L.R. (A/G) Sgt Burns, W.T.	BOMBING CASTELNUOVA	18.05	00.50	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.31 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Bombs were dropped and seen to burst on the aiming point. Many other bursts were also seen. No flak or A/L on the target. Successful trip.	
13th SEPT	WELLINGTON X "R" HL 583	(CAPT) P/L Douglas, R.R. (NAV) P/O Soutar, J.L. (B/A) P/O Spencer, J.A. (W/O) P/O Cook, H.R. (A/G) P/S Moore, J.H.	BOMBING PORTFILL	18.20	00.35	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.41 hrs. flying at 8,500 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Own bursts not seen but numerous others were noticed. An unidentified A/C was seen at 21.50 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. No attack. No defences on the target. Uneventful but successful trip.	

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13th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "A" HE. 424	(CAPT) F/O Sherlock, A.A. (NAV) F/O Greep, M.G. (B/A) Sgt Moore, H.W. (W/CF) Sgt Meyer, W.H. (A/G) Sgt Schoving, A.H.	BOMBING POPEHII	18.20	00.40	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.42 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Bombs were dropped and bursts were seen on the road. No defenses on the target. 5 S/L were seen at Naples. A steady red light was seen in the sector off Point Orso S. of Salerno. A large explosion was also seen at sea. May have been a bomb burst. Successful trip.	
13th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "C" HE. 472	(CAPT) F/S McIntyre, R.J. (NAV) F/S McMillan, S.C. (B/A) Sgt Hamilton, H.W. (W/CF) Sgt Wilson, A.H. (A/G) Sgt Pearce, G.S.	BOMBING POPEHII	18.30 18.32	00.45	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.33 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Good visibility. Own bombs seen to burst on the aiming point. No flak or S/L from the target but some flak shot up from Naples. Uneventful trip.	
13th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "D" HE. 794	(CAPT) W/O Besson, R.A. (NAV) F/S Lofthouse, J. (B/A) Sgt Nelson, L.F. (W/CF) Sgt Hron, G.A. (A/G) Sgt Cable, A.H.	BOMBING POPEHII	18.25	00.55	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.41 hrs. flying at 7,500 ft. Good visibility and flares very accurate. Did not see own bomb bursts but others were noticed. No defenses on the target but 6 S/L were operating from Naples, and one inaccurate gun on Capri. Good trip.	
13th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "Q" HE. 968	(CAPT) Sgt MacKensie, D.R. (NAV) F/O Osobe, C.J. (B/A) F/O Cable, R.D. (W/CF) Sgt Bailey, F.A. (A/G) Sgt Gibbs, P.H.	BOMBING POPEHII	18.33	00.45	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.34 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. The target was easily identified and the first stick was seen to burst between the road and the railway tracks. A fire was seen burning on the outskirts of Pompeii. No flak or S/L over the target. 3/4 heavy guns were shooting up inaccurate flak E. of Sorreste. 6 S/L were operating E. of Vesuvius. A successful trip.	
13th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "P" HE. 795	(CAPT) F/S MacLeod, J.S. (NAV) Sgt Collins, R.A. (B/A) Sgt Watt, L.R. (W/CF) Sgt Delalla, J.F. (A/G) Sgt Hendrey, E.	BOMBING POPEHII	18.25	01.00	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.39 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. One stick of bombs was seen to burst right on the aiming point. Other bursts were noticed. No flak or S/L on the target. Very good trip.	
13th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "R" HE. 582	(CAPT) F/S Ryvinsen, E.T. (NAV) F/S Thaler, J.H. (B/A) Sgt Bernibrooke, L. (W/CF) Sgt Deacon, L.R. (A/G) Sgt Hanna, W.T.	BOMBING POPEHII	18.30	01.05	This A/C carrying 6 x 500 lb. plus 6 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.39 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. The first stick of bombs burst a little to the starboard but the 2nd burst right on the road. No flak or S/L on the target. 6 S/L were seen operating on the Coast N. of Vesuvius. Good trip.	

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13th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "K" HE. 974	(CAPT) F/O Kixley, S.A. (NAV) F/O Fletcher, R.E. (B/A) Sgt Bell, R.W. (W/O) F/O Demers, R.J. (A/G) Sgt Ritchie, G.E.	BOMBING POMERANIA	18.15	01.10	This A/C carrying 36 flares and acting as illuminator arrived over the target at 21.39 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Good visibility, the target was easy to identify. Flares were well placed bursting at about 4,000 ft. No flak or S/L on the target but 6 S/L were operating from Naples at 21.47 hrs. Two warships were seen in the vicinity of Cape San. Good trip.	
14th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "S" IN. 423	(CAPT) F/S McIntyre, R.J. (NAV) F/S McMillan, C.C. (B/A) Sgt Hamilton, R.R. (W/O) Sgt Wilson, A.H. (A/G) Sgt Pearce, G.B.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	19.34	02.04	This A/C carrying 1 x 4000 pounder arrived over the target at 23.00 hrs. flying at 7,500 ft. Good visibility, flares very accurate. Bombs were dropped in the cross roads of the town. One bomb seen to burst in an area W. of the R.R. station. A very large fire was noticed in the R.R. yards. Numerous gun flashes and much activity seen on the beach line near Salerno. No flak or S/L on the target. Good trip.	
14th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "T" HE. 540	(CAPT) F/S Dingley, W. (NAV) F/S Barry, J. (B/A) Sgt Solmes, C.H. (W/O) F/O Forrester, R.R. (A/G) F/S Skinner, P.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	19.35	02.16	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.01 hrs. flying at 6,300 ft. Good visibility and flares very accurate. On the run in a 4000 pounder was seen to burst in the town near the central cross road. Own bombs burst right across the road. No defences on the target. A concentrated and successful raid.	
14th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "A" HE. 424	(CAPT) W/O Hassen, R.A. (NAV) F/S Lofthouse, J. (B/A) Sgt Helman, L.F. (W/O) Sgt Wren, G.A. (A/G) Sgt Gebie, A.B.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	19.35	02.35	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.01 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Good visibility and flares very accurate. Two sticks of bombs were seen to burst right on the aiming point and the rear gunner saw two other bursts on the road. A 4000 pounder was also seen to burst in the town itself. No flak or S/L. Concentrated and successful raid.	
14th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "J" HE. 427	(CAPT) F/O Sherlock, A.A. (NAV) F/O Greer, M.G. (B/A) Sgt McKee, M.W. (W/O) Sgt Plummer, S.O. (A/G) Sgt Schoving, A.Y.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	19.30	02.30	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.05 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Bombs were dropped on the R.R. and the road crossing. Bursts were seen to straddle these points. No flak or S/L on the target. Two 4000 pounders were seen to burst in the town. Fires were also noticed. Several paratroopers were seen landing S. of Battipaglia. A large concentration of ships was noticed off Salerno. A considerable convey was seen heading S. 25 miles W. of Maritime. A successful trip.	
14th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "R" HE. 588	(CAPT) S/L Metcaler, L.W. (NAV) F/O Digby, R.J. (B/A) F/O Paguin, P.F. (W/O) Sgt Macaulay, N.A. (A/G) Sgt Allen, J.B.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	19.30	02.40	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over target at 22.56 hrs. at 5000 ft. Good visibility, somewhat hazy, flares accurate. Bombs were dropped just W. of A/P and numerous bursts were noticed on the road. Some heavy inaccurate flak from hills near battle area. No S/L. A very large fire was noticed in EAST part of town, also small fires seen. Concentration of ships off Salerno. A successful trip.	

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14th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "K" HL 974	(CAPT) P/O Kirley, S.A. (NAV) P/O Fletcher, R.E. (B/A) Sgt Bell, R.W. (W/OF) P/O Demers, R.J. (A/G) Sgt Ritchie, G.E.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	19.25	02.35	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.04 hrs. flying at 6,500 ft. Fair visibility although heavy, flares quite accurate. Sticks of bombs were seen to straddle the A/P. A few fires were seen N.E. of BATTIPAGLIA. Two 4000 pounders were seen to explode in the town. No flak or s/l on the target but some heavy inaccurate flak shot up from Salerno. Successful trip.	
14th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "L" HL 435	(CAPT) P/O Macleod, J.S. (NAV) Sgt Collins, R.A. (B/A) Sgt Watt, L.W. (W/OF) Sgt Delalla, J.L. (A/G) Sgt Renfrey, R.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	19.25	02.40	This A/C carrying 1 x 4000 pounder arrived over the target at 23.02 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Good visibility and accurate flares. Bomb was released and seen to burst in the main part of the town. A few fires were also seen. No flak or s/l on the target. Good trip.	
14th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "O" HL 479	(CAPT) P/O Sherlock, E.T. (NAV) P/O Crosswell, R.H. (B/A) P/O Raine, G.W. (W/OF) Sgt Morris, T. (A/G) Sgt Rapely, C.H.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	19.28	02.20	This A/C carrying 36 flares arrived over the target at 22.59 hrs. flying at 6,200 ft. Good visibility and target easily identified. Flares were dropped and seemed very accurate. Two 4000 pounders were seen to burst, one in the town and one between the roads to the west. 10-12 small fires were noticed N. of the M/Yas. Good trip.	
14th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "X" HL 441	(CAPT) Sgt MacKenzie, D.R. (NAV) P/O Combe, C.J. (B/A) P/O Cable, R.D. (W/OF) Sgt Bailey, F.A. (A/G) Sgt Gibbs, F.H.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	19.37	02.25	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.03 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Numerous bomb bursts were seen in the town and a few fires were also noticed. No flak or s/l over the target. Successful trip.	
14th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "P" HL 795	(CAPT) P/O Ryvinsan, S.T. (NAV) P/O Thaler, J.D. (B/A) Sgt Hornibrook, L. (W/OF) Sgt Deacon, L. (A/G) Sgt Hanna, W.T.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	19.25	02.45	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.00 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Bombs were seen to burst right on the A/P and rubble and smoke seen going up. No flak or s/l. Successful trip.	
14th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "D" HL 794	(CAPT) P/O Vandenbroek, W.F. (NAV) Sgt Findlater, H.A. (B/A) Sgt Gemaart, P.F. (W/OF) Sgt Hanson, L. (A/G) Sgt Morrissey, P.P.	BOMBING BATTIPAGLIA	19.30	02.35	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.02 hrs. flying at 5,500 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. First bombs seemed to straddle the road and others burst in the town. A large fire was also noticed. No flak or s/l. Successful trip.	

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15 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "J" HE. 477	(CAPT) P/S Macleod, J. S. (NAV) Sgt Collins, R. A. (B/A) Sgt Watt, L. R. A. (W/OP) Sgt Delalla, J. F. (A/G) Sgt Rendrey, E.	BOMBING TORRE ANNUZIATA POPELII	23.50	02.05	This A/C carrying 9 x 250 lb. bombs plus 10 flares and acting as illuminator, arrived over the target at 23.01 hrs. Flying at 5,000 ft. Somewhat hazy but fairly good visibility. Flares were dropped at the junctions of the two roads but results were not observed. One 4000 pounder was seen to burst in the town. No flak or S/L. A big fire was also noticed in POPELII. 3 fighters were seen at 23.15 hrs., 4045M. 14100 at 5000 ft. A successful trip.	
15 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "P" HE. 795	(CAPT) P/S Rybinsch, R. T. (NAV) P/S Shaler, J. B. (B/A) Sgt Barnbrook, L. (W/OP) Sgt Deacon, L. R. (A/G) Sgt Hanna, W. E.	BOMBING TORRE ANNUZIATA POPELII	23.00	02.15	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.04 hrs flying at 5,000 ft. Although hazy, visibility was quite good and flares accurate. Bombs were dropped and bursts were seen at the road junctions. No flak or S/L. Two American transport planes were seen on the way out. Some war vessels were also noticed. Successful trip.	
15 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "R" HE. 974	(CAPT) P/O Kirley, S. A. (NAV) P/O Fletcher, R. E. (B/A) Sgt Bell, R. W. (W/OP) P/O Demers, R. J. (A/G) Sgt Ritchie, G. E.	BOMBING TORRE ANNUZIATA POPELII	23.00	02.25	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.07 hrs. flying at 5,200 ft. Visibility fair but somewhat hazy. Own bomb bursts not observed but a 4000 pounder was seen to burst in the town of TORRE ANNUZIATA. A large fire was also noticed in POPELII. No flak or S/L over the target but some inaccurate flak shot up near Mt. Vesuvius. Three D.C.3's were seen. A hospital ship was also seen at sea. A successful trip.	
15 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "M" HE. 562	(CAPT) P/O Kelly, L. L. (NAV) P/S Livingston, J. TORRE ANNUZIATA (B/A) P/S Davies, R. (W/OP) W/O O'Connor, H. (A/G) P/S Cameron, R. E. H.	BOMBING TORRE ANNUZIATA POPELII	23.00	02.45	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.09 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Fair visibility and accurate flares. Due to the congestion on the bombing point this A/C had to make 4 runs and bombs were dropped on the 4th run. Own bombs were seen to burst on the road W. of the aiming point. Other bursts were also seen. No flak or S/L. A large fire was noticed E. of POPELII. What is believed to have been military trucks were seen on the road. An enemy fighter was seen at 22.56 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. No attack. Successful trip.	
15 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "R" HE. 563	(CAPT) S/L Mettler, H. W. (NAV) P/O Digney, R. J. (B/A) P/O Pagan, P. F. (W/OP) Sgt Macaulay, M. A. (A/G) Sgt Allen, J. B.	BOMBING TORRE ANNUZIATA POPELII	23.05	02.05	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.13 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Fair visibility although hazy. Flares accurate. Bombs were seen to burst across the junction. Other bursts were also seen close to the road. A 4000 pounder was seen to burst in the town. A few fires were also noticed. Several D.C.3's were seen in formation at 21.14 hrs. heading S. at 4400 ft. Successful trip.	

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15 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "O" HL 479	(CAPT) P/O Sherlock, W.A. (NAV) P/O Crowwell, L. (B/A) P/O Ralke, G.W. (W/O) Sgt Morris, G. (A/G) Sgt Hapely, G.H.	BOMBING TORRE AGUACILIATA POZUELL	20.10	02.10	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.05 flying at 5,500 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. One bomb and one 4000 pounder were seen to burst right on the aiming point. No flak or S/L on the target. Some inaccurate flak shot up from Mt. Vesuvius. Three D.C.3's were seen at MARTINO at 21.10 hrs. Successful trip.	
15 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "S" HL 423	(CAPT) P/S McIntyre, R. (NAV) P/S McMillan, G. (B/A) Sgt Hamilton, H. (W/O) Sgt Wilson, A.H. (A/G) P/S Pearce, G.S.	BOMBING TORRE AGUACILIATA POZUELL	20.10	02.20	This A/C carrying one 4000 pounder arrived over the target at 23.10 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Fair visibility, somewhat hazy but flares accurate. Other bursts were seen in the same area. A large fire was noticed 5 miles E. of TORRE AGUACILIATA and a 4000 pounder was seen to burst in the steel works in the latter town. Successful trip.	
15 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "V" HL 296	(CAPT) Sgt MacKenzie, D. (NAV) P/O Gable, G.D. (B/A) P/O Gable, R.D. (W/O) Sgt Bailey, F.A. (A/G) Sgt Gibbs, P.H.	BOMBING TORRE AGUACILIATA POZUELL	20.10	02.25	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.25 hrs. flying at 5000 ft. Good visibility, some haze but flares were very accurate. One bomb burst was seen along the road. No flak or S/L on the target but some slight inaccurate flak was shot up from Naples. A few fires were noticed in the target area. Successful and concentrated effort.	
15 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "L" HL 453	(CAPT) P/O Sherlock, W.A. (NAV) P/O Greer, E.G. (B/A) Sgt Skakissin, R. (W/O) Sgt Plummer, R.G. (A/G) Sgt Scheving, R.H.	BOMBING TORRE AGUACILIATA POZUELL	20.05	02.35	This A/C carrying 1 x 4000 pounder arrived over the target at 23.19 hrs. flying at 6000 ft. Good visibility and flares very accurate. Bombs were dropped and bursts were seen right on the target. Lots of smoke and dust over the target. May have been caused by explosions. A large fire was also noticed E. of town. No flak, or S/L. A very successful trip.	
15 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "T" HL 540	(CAPT) P/S Webb, A.S. (NAV) P/O Souter, J.H. (B/A) P/S Buss, F.H. (W/O) Sgt Lann, J.H. (A/G) P/S Hesse, A.C.	BOMBING TORRE AGUACILIATA POZUELL	20.09	02.45	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.20 hrs. flying at 5000 ft. Good visibility, slight haze, flares accurate. Both sticks of bombs were seen to burst in the road. A 4000 pounder was also seen to burst in POZUELL. A large fire was also seen in the same town. A successful trip.	
15 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "B" HL 273	(CAPT) P/O Eason, R.A. (NAV) P/S Lofthouse, J. (B/A) Sgt Holman, L.F. (W/O) Sgt Wren, A.A. (A/G) Sgt Gable, A.H.	BOMBING TORRE AGUACILIATA POZUELL	20.00	02.40	This A/C carrying one 4000 pounder arrived over the target at 23.27 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Target congested, this A/C almost colliding with another A/C. One bomb seen to burst in the road N. of the A/C. No flak or S/L on the target, but some inaccurate flak shot up from Naples. Satisfactory trip.	

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16 SEP Night	WELLINGTON X "A" HL 968	(CAPT) P/O Webb, R.A. (NAV) P/O Soutar, J. L. (B/A) P/O Spencer, J. (W/O) Sgt Mann, R. L. (A/G) P/O Hines, R. L.	BOMBING CISTERN	19.50	01.55	This A/C carrying 2 x 500 lb. plus 1 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.50 hrs. flying 5,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Bombs were dropped on dispersed A/C along the S.W. and S.E. corner of the aerodrome. 11 A/C were noticed on the dispersal in the S.E. corner of the aerodrome where our bombs fell. Bombs were also seen to strike across the S.E. corner of the hangar and buildings. Numerous fires were seen on the premises. A very successful raid.	
16 SEP Night	WELLINGTON X "B" HL 585	(CAPT) P/O Macaulay, R. L. (NAV) P/O Dugan, R. L. (B/A) P/O Macaulay, R. L. (W/O) Sgt Macaulay, R. L. (A/G) Sgt Allen, J. L.	BOMBING CISTERN	19.57	01.55	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.53 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Good visibility, moonlight and accurate flares. Several flares were seen on the dispersal near the N.W. side of the buildings. Bombs were dropped on the buildings. Bursts were seen in the area and fires were seen in the hangars. Three bursts were noticed in front of the hangars and one burst across the runway. One stick was seen to burst at the N.E. corner of the aerodrome. Most successful raid in every way.	
16th SEP Night	WELLINGTON X "D" HL 794	(CAPT) P/O Bannan, R. L. (NAV) P/O Lorthouse, J. (B/A) Sgt Holman, J. L. (W/O) Sgt Mann, R. L. (A/G) Sgt Cable, R. L.	BOMBING CISTERN	19.50	01.55	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs plus 2 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.47 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Very good visibility and flares accurate. Bombs were dropped on the A/C in the dispersal in front of the hangars. Numerous bomb bursts were seen and A/C were noticed catching on fire. Other bursts were seen on the dispersal and all hangars and other buildings in the aerodrome seemed to be on fire. A highly concentrated and most successful raid.	
16 SEP Night	WELLINGTON X "A" HL 424	(CAPT) P/O Kelly, R. L. (NAV) P/O Livingston, J. (B/A) P/O Davies, R. (W/O) W/O O'Connor, R. (A/G) P/O Cameron, R. L.	BOMBING CISTERN	19.43	01.40	This A/C carrying 9 x 250 lb. bombs plus 18 flares arrived over the target at 22.45 hours flying at 6,000 ft. Very good visibility. Flares were accurately dropped. Bombs were dropped and bursts were seen amongst the A/C in front of the hangars. Numerous other bursts were seen on the aerodrome buildings and dispersals. An A/C was seen to explode and burn. Two explosions were seen at 23.17 hrs. 1st up the sky. Successful trip.	
16 SEP Night	WELLINGTON X "B" HL 795	(CAPT) P/O MacLeod, J. L. (NAV) Sgt Collins, R. L. (B/A) Sgt Webb, R. L. (W/O) Sgt Delalla, J. L. (A/G) Sgt Renfrey, K.	BOMBING CISTERN	19.55	01.45	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.19 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Good visibility, fine moonlight and flares quite accurate. Bombs were dropped on the buildings and numerous bomb bursts were seen. Lots of smoke and fires. Hangars could be seen burning 25 miles away. Very successful and concentrated bombing.	

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16 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "O" HL.479	(CAPT) F/O Sherlock, E.L. (NAV) F/O Crosswell, T.H. (B/A) F/O Raikes, S.W. (W/OF) Sgt Morris, T. (A/G) Sgt Repely, G.H.	BOMBING CISTERNA	19.50	02.00	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.55 hrs. flying at 5,500 ft. Good visibility, flares quite accurate. Numerous A/C were seen on the S.W. perimeter. Bombs were seen to burst on the A/C on the dispersal. The aerodrome was very well pranged. Numerous A/C were seen on fire and hangars were burning all over the aerodrome. A very successful raid.	
16 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "L" HL.502	(CAPT) F/O Sherlock, E.L. (NAV) F/O Greer, M.G. (B/A) Sgt Miskimin, R. (W/OF) Sgt Plummer, J.C. (A/G) Sgt Scheving, A.F.	BOMBING CISTERNA	19.45	02.05	This A/C carrying 14 x 250 lb. bombs plus 2 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.52 hrs. flying at 5,500 ft. Very good visibility and flares accurate. Numerous A/C seen burning in front of hangars and on dispersals. Bombs were seen to burst on hangars. All the latter seemed to be wrecked or on fire. One stick of bombs was seen to burst along the N.E. perimeter. No flak or S/L on the target. Very successful trip.	
16 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "K" HL.974	(CAPT) F/O Kirley, S.E. (NAV) F/O Fletcher, R.E. (B/A) Sgt Bell, R.W. (W/OF) F/O Damer, R.J. (A/G) Sgt Ritchie, G.H.	BOMBING CISTERNA	19.15	02.00	This A/C carrying 14 x 250 lb. plus 2 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.54 hrs. flying at 5000 ft. Very good visibility. The A/C were seen dispersed along the S.W. perimeter. Bombs were dropped along this area, and bursts were seen 100 yards west of the dispersals. Two sticks of bombs were seen to burst across the concrete runways. Several A/C were also seen on fire. Buildings hangars were gutted. A very concentrated and successful attack.	
17 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "A" HL.424	(CAPT) F/O Kelly, R.L. (NAV) F/S Livingston, J. (B/A) F/S Davies, R.G. (W/OF) F/O O'Connor, R.H. (A/G) F/S Cameron, R.E.H.	BOMBING SERVETERI	19.05	21.25	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs had to return early because of unserviceable artificial horizon. Bombs were jettisoned safe at 21.00 hrs.	
17 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "O" HL.479	(CAPT) Sgt MacKenzie, D.R. (NAV) F/O Combe, C.J. (B/A) F/O Raikes, S.W. (W/OF) Sgt Bailey, T.A. (A/G) Sgt Gibbs, P.H.	BOMBING SERVETERI	19.05	01.05	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.02 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Bombs were dropped on the N.E. sector and on the aerodrome where A/C could be seen. Bursts were seen on the runway and dispersals and A/C were seen to catch on fire. No flak or S/L on the target but some heavy inaccurate flak was shot up from a flak ship 1 1/2 miles off shore. Several petrol and oil fires were noticed in the hangar area. Very successful raid.	

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17 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "X" ML.441	(CAPT) P/S Dingley, W. (NAV) P/S McParlane, G.I. (B/A) P/O Gault, G.I. (W/CP) P/O Perrester, R.H. (A/G) P/S Skinner, P. and P/O Mather, L.T.	BOMBING SERVETERI	19.15	01.10	This A/C carrying 1 x 4000 pounder arrived over the target at 22.04 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Good visibility, accurate flares. One bomb seen to burst in the N.W. corner of the buildings. Numerous other bursts were seen in the same area. Large fires were noticed in the N. and N.E. sections of the buildings and hangars. Other scattered fires were also seen in the same area. No flak or S/L on the target but some inaccurate flak shot up from Lido di Roma and Annie Point. Successful trip.	
17 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "W" ME.582	(CAPT) P/O Sherlock, A. (NAV) P/O Greer, M.G. (B/A) Sgt Richardson, T.A. (W/CP) Sgt Plummer, S.C. (A/G) Sgt Scheving, A.K.	BOMBING SERVETERI	19.05	00.20	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.03 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. First stick of bombs was seen to burst on the S.E. corner of the perimeter. The second stick burst right in the middle of the perimeter. One 4000 pounder was seen to burst on the hangars. A large petrol fire shooting up yellow flames was noticed in the hangar area. No flak or S/L in the aerodrome but some inaccurate light flak shot up from Lido di Roma. A very successful trip.	
17 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "J" ML.477	(CAPT) P/S Eyringsson, E. (NAV) P/S Chaler, J.L. (W/CP) Sgt Horsbrooke, J. (A/G) Sgt Deacon, L.H. (A/G) Sgt Mann, W.L.	BOMBING SERVETERI	19.05	01.10	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.01 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Bombs were seen to burst on the hangars. Other bursts were noticed on the buildings. Just as this A/C was leaving the target two big fires were seen to start. No defences on the aiming point, some heavy inaccurate flak shot up from Lido di Roma. Very successful trip.	
17th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "W" ME.296	(CAPT) P/S Webb, A.S. (NAV) P/O Soutar, J.R. (B/A) P/O Spenser, M.J. (W/CP) Sgt Mann, J.H. (A/G) P/S James, L.H.	BOMBING SERVETERI	19.00	01.30	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.05 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Good visibility and flares quite accurate. Bombs were dropped and bursts seen on the A/D perimeter and dispersals. One 4000 pounder was seen to burst in the hangars and three big fires were noticed on the aerodrome. A petrol dump blew up in the N. Part of the hangars. Negligible flak from Lido di Roma. None on the target. Very successful trip.	
17 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "D" H.R.794	(CAPT) P/S Verbrook, J.F. (NAV) P/S Moore, K.W. (B/A) Sgt Cummaert, P.F. (W/CP) Sgt Hanson, L. (A/G) Sgt Morrissey, E.	BOMBING SERVETERI	19.10	01.30	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.10 hours flying at 5,500 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Bombs were dropped and bursts were seen on the perimeter. 20 A/C could be seen on the aerodrome and one was noticed to blow up. Buildings and hangars were seen on fire and red and green explosions were noticed. No flak or S/L on the target. Negligible flak from Lido di Roma. Successful trip.	

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17th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "R" HL 583	(C/P) P/S McIntyre, R.A. (NAV) P/S McMillan, C.O. GERVETARI (S/A) Sgt Hamilton, R.A. (W/G) Sgt Wilson, A.R. (A/G) P/S Pearce, G.S.	BOMBING	19.04	01.35	This A/C carrying 9 x 250 lb. bombs plus 10 flares arrived over the target at 22.12 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Good visibility and target easily identified. Flares were dropped correctly. Lots of smoke and dirt on the target. Bomb bursts were seen in the hangar area. Hangars were seen in the hangar area. Hangars were seen on fire and the glare could be seen 50 miles away. The aerodrome seemed to have been thoroughly pranged. No flak or A/L on the target. Very Very successful trip.	
18th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "C" HL 479	(C/P) P/O Sherlock, R.T. (NAV) P/O Crosswell, R.H. (S/A) P/O Rake, G.W. (W/G) Sgt Morris, R. (A/G) Sgt Napely, G.H. (2nd Plt) W/O Mather, A.T.	BOMBING VIZERO	21.50	04.30	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 01.05 hrs. flying at 6,200 ft. Good visibility and flares quite accurate. Enemy A/C were seen in the aerodrome. Bombs were dropped on the W. perimeter and numerous bursts were noticed. A large fire was seen S. of the target sending up quantities of very black smoke. An A/C was seen on fire at 01.10 hrs. at 5000 ft. Three of the crew were seen to bail out about 1 or 2 miles from the aerodrome. A successful trip.	
18th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "E" HL 974	(C/P) P/S Rynderson, R.T. (NAV) P/S Thaler, J.D. (S/A) Sgt Barnbrook, L. (W/G) Sgt Deacon, L.R. (A/G) Sgt Harris, W.T.	BOMBING VIZERO	21.45	04.25	This A/C carrying 18 flares and 9 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 01.09 hrs. flying at 6,500 ft. Clear visibility and accurate flares. A few A/C were seen on the dispersals. Bombs were dropped and seen to burst on the buildings. A large column of smoke rose 1000 ft. Slight inaccurate flak was experienced. No S/L. One A/C was seen to go down at 01.15 hrs. near the S.W. part of the aerodrome. A successful trip.	
18th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "M" HL 582	(C/P) W/O Besson, R.A. (NAV) P/S Lathouse, J. (S/A) Sgt Neilman, R.A. (W/G) Sgt Wren, G.A. (A/G) Sgt Cable, R.B.	BOMBING VIZERO	21.50	04.10	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 01.02 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Bombs were dropped and bursts were seen in the N.W. perimeter. Flares were started in the buildings by other bursts. Some inaccurate flak was experienced. Satisfactory trip.	
18th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "A" HL 968	(C/P) P/S Dingley, W. (NAV) P/S MacFarlane, C.I. (S/A) Sgt Richardson, R.A. (W/G) P/O Forrester, P.R. (A/G) P/S Skinner, R. (2nd A/B) P/S Hayward, C.T.	BOMBING VIZERO	21.55	04.12	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 01.05 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Good visibility and accurate flares. Two sticks of bombs were dropped and bursts were seen near the A/C dispersal. A large oil fire was seen near the S.E. of the aerodrome near the buildings. Masses of dust seemed to raise from the hangars. The A/G reported seeing what is believed to be an A/C hit the deck at 01.13 hrs. Some slight heavy inaccurate flak from the A/D. Successful trip.	

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SEPT 18 Night	WELLINGTON X "M" HE.296	(CAPT) F/S McIntyre, R. (NAV) F/S McMillan, G. (B/A) Sgt Hamilton, H. (W/CF) Sgt Wilson, A.L. (A/G) F/S Pearce, G.S.	BOMBING VITERBO	21.52	04.30	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 01.10 hrs. Flying at 6,000 ft. A/C were seen on the dispersals. Bombs were dropped there and bursts were noticed. A large volume of smoke was rolling across the aerodrome. Looked like oil-fire. One A/C was seen to go down on the target at 01.15 hrs. Successful trip.	
18 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "J" HE.477	(CAPT) F/O Kelly, R.L. (NAV) F/S Livingston, J. (B/A) F/S Davies, R.G.A. (W/CF) F/O Cook, H.R. (A/G) F/S Cameron, R.B.H.	BOMBING VITERBO	21.45	04.40	This A/C carrying 18 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 01.05 hrs. Flying at 7,000 ft. Good visibility and accurate flares. A/C were seen dispersed N. of the aerodrome. Own bursts not noticed but 3 x 4000 pounders were seen to burst in the S. part of the aerodrome. A fire was also noticed in the buildings. An A/C was seen to go down at 01.15 hrs. Some heavy flak over the aerodrome. No S/L. Successful trip.	
19 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "L" HE.532	(CAPT) F/O Sherlock, A.A. (NAV) F/O Greer, R.G. (B/A) Sgt Richardson, J.A. (W/CF) Sgt Plummer, S.C. (A/G) Sgt Scheving, A.K.	BOMBING BERGWERVO	23.50	06.40	This A/C carrying 18 flares plus 7 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 03.15 hrs. Flying at 6,500 ft. Weather hazy and much smoke over the target. Flares were dropped at 03.15 hrs. and appeared to be accurate. Bombs were released at 03.18 hrs. Own bombs seemed to overshoot and burst on the town side. One unidentified A/C was seen at 03.45 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Seemed to follow this A/C for a while then disappeared. No flak or S/L over the target. Fair trip.	
19 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "N" HE.574	(CAPT) F/O Marley, S.A. (NAV) F/O Fletcher, S.E. (B/A) Sgt Bell, R.W. (W/CF) W/O McNeill, D.H. (A/G) Sgt Ritchie, D.H. (2nd Plt) Sgt Martin, L.A.	BOMBING BERGWERVO	00.10	06.45	This A/C carrying 2 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 03.23 hrs. Flying at 5000 ft. Weather hazy flares were not very effective. The bridge area was covered by smoke and haze. Bombs were dropped and it is believed that all burst near the end of the bridge, except one which burst in the town. Two large fires were seen near the bridge N. of the river. Several small fires were noticed in the town. No flak or S/L on the target. Fair trip.	
19th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "O" HE.479	(CAPT) F/O Sherlock, A.A. (NAV) F/O Crosswell, T.H. (B/A) F/O Naikie, J.H. (W/CF) Sgt Morris, R. (A/G) Sgt Rapely, G.H.	BOMBING BERGWERVO	23.55	06.25	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 03.16 hrs. Flying at 6,200 ft. Fair visibility, slight haze. Illuminator rather poor. Made 2 runs to bomb. Bursts were seen on second run. Part of the bridge seemed on fire and the latter was used as A/T. The target was partly obscured by smoke or haze. Numerous bombs were seen to explode in the town. No flak or S/L. Fair trip.	

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19 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "P" HL 795	(CAPT) P/S Evindsen, R. T. (NAV) P/S Thaler, J. D. (S/A) P/Sgt Burns, F. H. (W/OF) Sgt Deacon, L. R. (A/G) Sgt Hanna, W. R.	BOMBING BREVENATO	24.00	06.25	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 05.16 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Good visibility but somewhat hazy. Bombs were dropped on the aiming point and bursts were noticed on the road and near the bridge. Much smoke over the target. No flak or S/L. Fair trip.	
19th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X 7D HL 796	(CAPT) P/S Vornbrook, L. (NAV) P/S Moore, R. W. (S/A) Sgt Cummings, R. J. (W/OF) Sgt Hanson, L. (A/G) Sgt Morrissey, L.	BOMBING BREVENATO	06.05	06.30	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 05.20 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Good visibility although hazy. Ground details hidden by smoke. Made two runs and on the second saw the target. Bombs were dropped and bursts were seen near the A/C. A large fire was noticed at the S. end of the bridge area. A large volume of smoke obscured the bombing sections. No flak or S/L. Fair trip.	
19th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "V" HL 296	(CAPT) P/S Webb, J. B. (NAV) P/O McGregor, W. K. (S/A) P/O Spencer, R. L. (W/OF) Sgt Mann, J. H. (A/G) P/S Hames, R. H.	BOMBING BREVENATO	23.59	06.35	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 05.27 hrs. flying at 6,400 ft. Clear visibility but hazy. Marks inaccurate. Much smoke over the target and the bridge was obscured. Bombs were dropped and seen to burst on the road and the end of the bridge. The A/C saw two large fires E. of the bridge. An explosion was also seen in this area. No flak or S/L. Fair trip.	
21st SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "3" HL 425	(CAPT) P/S McIntyre, R. I. (NAV) P/O Leitch, R. H. (S/A) Sgt Hamilton, R. S. (W/OF) Sgt Wilson, A. L. (A/G) W/C Arnold, R. L.	BOMBING BREVENATO	23.10	09.00	This A/C carrying 500,000 nickels covered all its objectives in poor weather and visibility with 9/10 cloud. Numerous rain clouds were encountered. Leaflets were well dropped except on Rome where adverse winds were encountered. Negligible flak from several points. No S/L. Quite successful trip.	
21st SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "J" HL 477	(CAPT) W/C Basson, R. A. (NAV) P/S Lethbridge, J. J. (S/A) Sgt Holman, L. F. (W/OF) Sgt Wren, C. L. (A/G) Sgt Gebble, A. B.	BOMBING BASTIA	00.30	07.40	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 05.45 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Fair visibility over the target. Bombs were dropped on the N. end of the mole. Some bursts were seen in this area. Other bursts were seen along the warehouse on the docks. Numerous fires were seen to start in the same area. Moderate light and slight heavy inaccurate flak. No S/L. What is believed to be an A/C started the deck at 05.55 hrs. Good trip.	
21st SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "B" HL 273	(CAPT) P/C Kelly, R. L. (NAV) P/S Livingston, J. (S/A) P/S Davies, R. G. (W/OF) Sgt Worth, J. (A/G) P/S Cameron, R. C.	BOMBING BASTIA	00.25	07.50	This A/C carrying 1 x 4,000 lb. bomb arrived over the target at 05.45 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Visibility fair, flares accurate. Bomb was dropped on the mole and the burst seen on the N. end where the mole joins the mainland. Other bursts were seen on the wharf. A large warehouse transport in the harbour was hit by bombs and was burning as this A/C left the target. Some light and heavy inaccurate flak was shot up from the hills and S. end of the town. No S/L. Successful trip.	

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21 SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "X" HL 441	(CAPT) Sgt Mackenzie, D.R. (NAV) Sgt Crain, A.I. (B/A) P/O Irvine, A.J. (W/O) Sgt Bailey, F.A. (A/G) Sgt Bibby, E.H.	BOMBING BASTIA	00.43	07.17	This A/C carrying 1 x 4000 lb. bomb arrived over the target at 03.51 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Good visibility over the target and flares accurate. Bomb was dropped on the warehouse. Bursts were seen and a fire noticed to start immediately. Another large fire was seen in the N. part of the town. Moderate heavy and light inaccurate flak from the S. of the town. No S/L. Good trip.	
21st SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "W" HL 296	(CAPT) P/O Sherlock, E.E. (NAV) P/O Crosswell, E. (B/A) P/O Baker, G.H. (W/O) Sgt Morris, E. (A/G) Sgt Morris, E. (2nd Plt) W/O Mather, A.T.	BOMBING BASTIA	00.30	07.30	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 03.48 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Some xxxx smoke on the target but flares accurate. Bombs were dropped on the mole. Own bursts not seen but one 1000 pounder seen to burst on the mole and start a large fire. Moderate light and heavy inaccurate flak. No S/L. Good trip.	
21st SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "C" HL 477	(CAPT) P/O MacLeod, J.S. (NAV) Sgt Watt, E. (B/A) Sgt Watt, E. (W/O) Sgt DeLella, J.P. (A/G) Sgt Renfrey, E.	BOMBING BASTIA	00.24	07.24	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 03.49 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Visibility fair and flares accurate. Bombs were dropped on the mole and targets were seen on that point. Numerous other bomb bursts were seen on that point. A large fire was seen in the warehouses. An explosion was also noticed when this A/C left the area. Moderate light and heavy flak. No S/L. Good trip.	
21st SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "P" HL 795	(CAPT) P/O Rynderson, E.T. (NAV) P/O Thaler, J.B. (B/A) Sgt Hornibrook, L. (W/O) Sgt Deacon, L. (A/G) Sgt Hanna, W.T.	BOMBING BASTIA	00.25	07.30	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 03.46 hrs. flying at 8000 ft. Bombs were aimed at a ship seen in the harbor. Bursts were seen on the ship and the latter caught fire as this A/C was leaving. Some light and heavy inaccurate flak was experienced. No flak. Good effort. Successful trip.	
21st SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "D" HL 974	(CAPT) P/O Kirley, S.A. (NAV) P/O Fletcher, E.E. (B/A) Sgt Bell, R.W. (W/O) Sgt Kydd, J.T. (A/G) Sgt Ritchie, G.E. (2nd Plt) Sgt Martin, L.A.	BOMBING BASTIA	00.25	08.05	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 03.50 hrs. flying at 8,500 ft. Good visibility over the target, xxxxxx flares accurate. Own bomb bursts were not seen but one 4,000 pounder burst in a large explosion in the warehouses. Some inaccurate light and heavy flak. No S/L. One ship was seen on fire at 03.10 hrs. position 4220 N. 10E. Good trip.	
21st SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "Q" HL 968	(CAPT) P/O Dingley, W. (NAV) P/O McFarlane, C. (B/A) Sgt Seimes, C.H. (W/O) Sgt Walton, J.C. (A/G) P/O Skinner, F.	BOMBING BASTIA	00.45	07.15	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 03.47 hrs. flying at 8,500 ft. Good visibility and accurate flares. Bombs were dropped and bursts seen across S. end of the warehouses. A large fire started where own bombs burst. Some inaccurate light and heavy flak was experienced. No S/L. Successful trip.	

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21st SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "E" HE.583	(CAPT) P/S Dalgleish, J.M. (NAV) P/S Barry, J.B.R. (B/A) P/S Dwyer, J.A. (W/O) Sgt Addison, W.E. (A/G) Sgt Turner, R.A.	BOMBING BASTIA	00.40	07.20	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 03.51 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Fair visibility, flares accurate. Bombs were dropped on the old harbour but bursts were not seen. Some flak, but inaccurate. No S/L. Good trip.	
22nd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "M" HE.582	(CAPT) P/O Sherlock, A.A. (NAV) P/O Greer, H.G. (B/A) Sgt Dault (W/O) Sgt Plummer, S.O. (A/G) Sgt Schoving, A.K.	BOMBING FORCIA	19.05	01.35	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.10 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Weather hazy and low stratus cloud. One stick of bombs burst on cross road and another slightly east of it. Negligible flak. No S/L. Fair trip.	
22nd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "W" HE.576	(CAPT) P/O Lambert, J.M.L. (NAV) P/O McGregor, A.K. (B/A) P/O Coutts, C.L. (W/O) P/S Neilman, L.A. (A/G) P/S Vint, R.G.	BOMBING FORCIA	19.05	01.45	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.21 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Weather hazy and low stratus cloud. Flares quite accurate. Bombs were dropped slightly west of the road junction. Numerous other bombs were seen but appeared to be scattered. Negligible flak. No S/L. Fair trip.	
22nd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "V" HE.296	(CAPT) P/S Webb, A.S. (NAV) Sgt Crain, A.F. (B/A) P/S Buss, F.H. (W/O) Sgt Mann, J.H. (A/G) P/S Hansen, A.J. (2nd Plt) W/O Mather, A.T.	BOMBING FORCIA	19.17	01.52	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.08 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Poor visibility but flares accurate. Two bombs fell west of the target. Bombing appeared to be scattered. No flak or S/L. Fair trip.	
22nd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "C" HE.477	(CAPT) P/S Yernbrook, W.E. (NAV) Sgt Warr, F. (B/A) Sgt Comasart, R.R. (W/O) Sgt Hanson, L. (A/G) Sgt Morrissey, R.R.	BOMBING FORCIA	19.13	01.51	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over Cape Voltino at 22.57 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Had trouble with guns in rear target. Poor visibility and impossible to pin point. Bombs were dropped at Cape Voltino. Unsatisfactory trip.	
22nd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "E" HE.583	(CAPT) P/S Dalgleish, J.M. (NAV) P/S Barry, J.B.R. (B/A) P/S Dwyer, J.A. (W/O) Sgt Addison, W.E. (A/G) Sgt Turner, R.A.	BOMBING FORCIA	19.12	00.42	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.35 hrs. flying at 6,500 ft. Poor visibility but flares accurate. Bombs were dropped on the cross road and bursts were seen just E. of the aiming point. No flak or S/L. Good trip.	

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22nd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "X" IN. 411	(CAPT) Sgt Mackenzie, D.R. (NAV) P/O Combe, G.J. (B/A) Sgt Gordon (W/OP) Sgt Bailey (A/G) Sgt Gibbs	BOMBING FORCIA	19.18	01.18	This A/C carrying 2 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.08 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Poor visibility but flares accurate. One bomb seen to burst near the road North of the aiming point. No flak. No S/L. Fair trip.	
22nd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "O" HL. 479	(CAPT) P/O Kirley, G.A. (NAV) P/O Fletcher, R.E. (B/A) Sgt Bell, R.W. (W/OP) Sgt Ryan, J. R. (A/G) Sgt Ritchie, D.R.	BOMBING FORCIA	19.00	01.35	This A/C carrying 54 flares arrived over the target at 22.01 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Visibility fair. Flares seemed to drop in the right place. Dummy fires seen in the area. No flak or S/L.	
22nd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "M" HL. 795	(CAPT) P/S Rynderson, E. (NAV) P/O Thaler, J. (B/A) Sgt Hornibrook, L. (W/OP) Sgt Deacon, L.R. (A/G) Sgt Hanna, W.E.	BOMBING FORCIA	19.10	01.45	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.08 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Fair visibility. Flares accurate. One bomb burst was seen slightly N.W. of the road junction. Quite a number of these bursts were seen. No flak or S/L. Good trip.	
22nd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "A" HL. 424	(CAPT) P/O Kelly, R.J. (NAV) P/S Livingston, J. (B/A) P/S Davies, R. (W/OP) Sgt Worth, J. (A/G) P/S Cameron, R.S. (2nd Plt) Sgt Martin, L.A.	BOMBING FORCIA	19.05	02.05	This A/C carrying 9 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.04 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Fair visibility, flares accurate. One burst was seen across the junction. Other bursts seen on the same place. No flak, or S/L. Good trip.	
23rd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "R" HL. 583	(CAPT) P/S McIntyre, R.J. (NAV) P/O McGregor, W.K. (B/A) Sgt Hamilton, R.R. (W/OP) Sgt Wilson, A.W. (A/G) P/S Pearce, G.S.	BOMBING PISA-SAN GUSTO	18.35	01.45	This A/C carrying 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.57 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Good visibility and flares very accurate. Bombs were dropped and bursts were seen across the aerodrome and buildings. Three large oil fires were seen near the hangars. Some light inaccurate flak over the A/D. 6 guns were operating S. of Marina di Pisa. Slight flak from Bastia. A large forest was seen in the E. coast of Corsica. Good trip.	
23rd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "M" HL. 582	(CAPT) P/O Sherlock, A. (NAV) P/O Greer, M.G. (B/A) Sgt McRae, M.W. (W/OP) Sgt Plummer, S.O. (A/G) Sgt Scheving, A.K.	BOMBING PISA-SAN GUSTO	18.20	01.55	This A/C carrying 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 23.03 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Good visibility and flares quite accurate. 12-15 A/C were seen on the perimeter of the A/D. Bombs were dropped at this point and bursts were seen. The hangars were also seen to be on fire. Some light flak shot up to 7,000 ft. Inaccurate. One S/L noted N.E. of the A/P. The B/A saw what he believed to be an A/C go down W. of the A/P. Good trip.	

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23rd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "D" HS. 794	(CAPT) F/S Yorkmack, W. (NAV) Sgt Warr, F. (B/A) Sgt Combsart, F. PISA - SAN GUISO (W/OF) Sgt Hanson, L. (A/G) Sgt Morrissey, E.	BOMBING XXXXXXXX	18.33	01.56	This A/C carrying 12 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 21.59 hrs. flying at 6,500 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. 25 A/C were seen on the dispersals. Own bomb bursts and several others seen on the dispersals. Quite a number of A/C and hangars were on fire and the latter could be seen 4.5 miles away. Successful raid.	
23rd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "A" HS. 434	(CAPT) W/O Benson, R.A. (NAV) F/S Lefthouse, J. PISA-SAN GUISO (B/A) Sgt Helman, L.F. (W/OF) Sgt Wren, G.A. (A/G) Sgt Gahle, A.B. (2nd Flt) Sgt. Martin, I.A.	BOMBING	18.25	02.09	This A/C carrying 12 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.03 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Several A/C were seen E. and W. of the perimeter. Bombs were dropped along the runway and dispersals. Bursts were seen among the A/C. Fires were also seen in the hangars. Some light inaccurate flak on the target. One S/L flak was also shot up from Leshorn. A hospital ship was seen near Maritime. Good trip.	
23rd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "O" HS. 479	(CAPT) F/O Sherlock, E.E. (NAV) F/O Groswell, E.L. PISA-SAN GUISO (B/A) F/O Raikes, G.W. (W/OF) Sgt Morris, T. (A/G) Sgt Repely, C.M.	BOMBING	18.35	02.10	This A/C carrying 136 flares arrived over the target at 22.04 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Good visibility. Flares were dropped over the S. end of the field and lit up the A/P. quite well. Good bombing. Hangars were seen on fire and an oil fire was seen near the hangars. Some light inaccurate flak. Good trip.	
23rd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "V" HS. 296	(CAPT) F/S Delgleish, J. (NAV) F/S Barry, J.B.R. PISA-SAN GUISO (B/A) F/S Dwyer, J.A. (W/OF) Sgt Addison, W.E. (A/G) Sgt Turner, R.A.	BOMBING	18.45	02.00	This A/C carrying 11 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.08 hrs. flying at 6,300 ft. Good visibility and flares accurate. Numerous A/C seen on the dispersals. Bombs were dropped, bursts seen and one A/C was noticed to blow up. Large fires were seen in the hangars and W. of the bombing point. Successful trip.	
23rd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "W" LN. 378	(CAPT) F/S Webb, A.S. (NAV) F/O Lee, J.G. PISA-SAN GUISO (B/A) Sgt Richardson, J.A. (W/OF) Sgt Mann, J.H. (A/G) F/S James, A.C.	BOMBING	18.30	02.10	This A/C carrying 11 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.02 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Large transport A/C seemed like J.B.52's were on the W. perimeter. Bombs were dropped across these A/C and bursts seen in the middle. 10/12 fighters were seen in front of the hangars. 4 of these A/C were noticed to be on fire. Numerous bomb bursts seen in the hangar and fires seemed to break out. Light inaccurate flak and one S/L on the target. Good trip.	
23rd SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "O" HF. 477	(CAPT) F/S MacLeod, J.S. (NAV) F/O Soutar, J.R. PISA-SAN GUISO (B/A) F/S Watt, L.R. (W/OF) F/S Delalla, J.F. (A/G) Sgt Renfrey, T.	BOMBING	18.25	02.25	This A/C carrying 12 x 250 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.03 hrs. flying at 6,200 ft. Good visibility, flares accurate. Two rows of A/C were burning on E. perimeter. Own bomb bursts seen at this point, others on runway. 6 A/C were seen on fire in front of the hangars. Slight inaccurate flak. One S/L on target. Very successful trip.	

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24th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "R" HL 583	(CAPT) F/S McIntyre, R.J. (NAV) F/S McMillan, G. (B/A) Sgt Hamilton, N.H. (W/O) Sgt Wilson, A.H. (A/G) F/S Pearce, G.S.	BOMBING LECHORN	18.38	01.48	This A/C carrying 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.02 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Good visibility and accurate flares. Bombs were dropped and bursts seen between ships and the docks. Light inaccurate flak from the town. Inaccurate 2 3/4 were also operating. Two convoys and two hospital ships were seen at sea. Good trip.	
24th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "P" HL 795	(CAPT) F/S Eymansen, E. (NAV) F/S Thaler, J.H. (B/A) Sgt Bernhrooke, L. (W/O) Sgt Deacon, L.H. (A/G) Sgt Haines, W.T.	BOMBING LECHORN	18.35	02.05	This A/C carrying 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.02 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Good visibility and flares quite accurate. 3 ships were seen in the harbour. Bombs were dropped on the ships and the wharf. Quite a lot of smoke on the target prevented this crew from seeing bombing results. Some slight heavy and light inaccurate flak. 4 3/4 including one blue one were operating from the town. A convoy was seen at sea off Cape Bon.	
24th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "W" HL 296	(CAPT) F/S Webb, A.S. (NAV) F/O Lee, J.G. (B/A) Sgt Richardson, J. (W/O) Sgt Mann, J.H. (A/G) F/S Haines, A.J.	BOMBING LECHORN	18.42	02.16	This A/C carrying 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.10 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Misty over the target. Ships were seen in the harbour. Bombs were dropped on the docks and bursts were seen. Some light inaccurate flak and one blue 3/4 was operating from the town. Satisfactory trip.	
24th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "D" HL 794	(CAPT) F/O Kitley, A.S. (NAV) F/O Fletcher, H.C. (B/A) Sgt Bell, R.W. (W/O) Sgt Ford, J. (A/G) Sgt Ritchie, G.H.	BOMBING LECHORN	18.30	02.30	This A/C carrying 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.01 hrs. flying at 6,500 ft. Fair visibility over the target and flares satisfactory. Ships were seen in the harbour and bombs seen to straddle them. Some moderate light inaccurate flak. 3 blue 3/4 were also seen operating in the town. Attack seemed concentrated. Good trip.	
24th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "C" HL 477	(CAPT) F/S MacLeod, J.S. (NAV) Sgt Collins, R.A. (B/A) Sgt Watt, L.R. (W/O) F/S Delalla, J.F. (A/G) Sgt Remy, K.	BOMBING LECHORN	18.30	02.05	This A/C carrying 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.00 hrs. flying at 6,500 ft. Fair visibility. Bombs were dropped on ships in the harbour but no bursts were seen. Moderate to heavy light inaccurate flak shot up from the docks. Two 3/4 were also operating from the S. of the town. Good trip.	
24th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "A" HL 434	(CAPT) F/L Lesley, G.B. (NAV) F/O McGregor, W.K. (B/A) Sgt Macdonald, R. (W/O) W/O Kellner, J.H. (A/G) F/S Ross, A.	BOMBING LECHORN	18.30	02.10	This A/C carrying 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.12 hrs. flying at 8,500 ft. Good visibility, flares accurate. Bombs were dropped on the docks and bursts were seen. Some light inaccurate flak. What appeared to be an A/G is believed to have crashed at 01.50 hrs. W. of Fairview. Satisfactory trip.	

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24th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "L" HE.582	(CAPT) F/O Kelly, R. (NAV) F/S Livingston, J. (B/A) F/S Davies, W.C. (W/OP) Sgt Worth, J. (A/G) F/S Cameron, R.	BOMBING LEVERON	18.30	02.35	This A/C carrying 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.02 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Good visibility, flares accurate. Bombs were dropped on the ships and bursts were seen nearby. Moderate light and heavy inaccurate flak. A few 4/8 ineffective were also operating. Satisfactory trip.	
24th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "O" HE.473	(CAPT) Sgt MacKenzie, R. (NAV) F/O Conde, C.J. (B/A) F/O Bailey, R. (W/OP) Sgt Gibbs, W.H. (A/G) Sgt Gibbs, W.H.	BOMBING LEVERON	18.35	01.35	This A/C carrying 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.02 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Good visibility, flares accurate. Ships were seen steaming out of the harbour. Bombing was concentrated on this point and bursts were seen. Numerous landing crafts were seen in the harbour. A power plant was seen to blow and give out bluish smoke. Some light and heavy inaccurate flak from the harbour. 3 3/L were operating. Good trip.	
24th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "Q" HE.968	(CAPT) W/O Mather, A.T. (NAV) F/S Grain, A.L. (B/A) F/S Gordon, R.A. (W/OP) Sgt Carey, G. (A/G) F/S Hayward, C.T.	BOMBING LEVERON	18.35	01.43	This A/C carrying 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 22.02 hrs. flying at 6,200 ft. Good visibility, flares accurate. Bombs were seen to burst across docks and boats. Some inaccurate flak from the N. part of the town. 3 blue 4/8 were also operating. Numerous fires seen in N. Cornitia and E. Coast of Cornica. Good trip.	
24th SEPT Night	WELLINGTON X "S" HE.423	(CAPT) F/S Dingley, W. (NAV) F/S MacFarlane, C. (B/A) F/S Selmes, C.H. (W/OP) W/O McNeill, D.L. (A/G) F/S Skinner, R.	BOMBING BENICIA	18.25	02.15	This A/C carrying 400,000 Nichols General Condole between 22.25 hrs. and 22.30 hrs. from 8,000 ft. S.W. of the town. Area should be well covered. No flak or 4/8. Poor visibility with 7/10 clouds. Lights were seen on the road like motor column at 22.28 hrs. at 22.06 hrs. Good trip.	

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