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FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 1944

DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				UP	DOWN		
1/2nd MAY	HALIFAX III "K" LW. 947	CAPT F/O RANNIHR, R. J.23699 NAV F/O MAY, A.D. J.22859 E/A F/O MURKINSON, J.N. J.23207 W/G W/O TOMLINSON, W. R.67302 F/E SGT DAWSON, D. 180328 W/G SGT BARNARD, W.S. R.204833 A/G F/O QUEEN, S.J. J.27920	J.23699	21.28	02.20	This A/C carrying two "Jellyfish" arrived over position 48.18 30N. 04.41 15W. at 00.03 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 200 m.p.h. Visibility was good and it was a successful trip throughout. Crew brought A/C back and landed safely at base.	A.283
1/2nd MAY	HALIFAX III "D" HW. 516	CAPT F/O HILL, W.F. J.24296 NAV F/O HERSWILL, T. J.23110 E/A W/O DOWNER, J.L. R.156772 W/G SGT FARMER, I.E. 1600297 F/E SGT NICHOLS, G. 1674783 W/G SGT SWEENEY, D.M. R.125232 A/G SGT GREEN, W.A. R.191757	J.24296	21.31	02.14	This A/C carrying two "Jellyfish" arrived over position 48.18 30N. and 04.41 15W. at 00.01 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 200 m.p.h. No clouds, visibility good. Successful trip throughout. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.285
1/2nd MAY	HALIFAX III "I" LW. 121	CAPT F/O HAMILTON, P.C. J.11556 NAV F/O MCCORMACK, D. J.24223 E/A F/S MCCURRY, R. R.156217 W/G W/O FALLET, G.C. R.144169 F/E SGT COUSINS, W.L. 2201368 W/G SGT CORNELIUS, C. R.210069 A/G F/S COMPTON, C.A. R.124448	J.11556	21.32	02.34	This A/C carrying two "Artichokes" arrived over the position 47.39 30N. and 03.34 45W. at 00.11 hrs. flying at 15,200 ft. and 239 m.p.h. No clouds, visibility good. Both parachutes were seen to open and it is considered to be a successful trip. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.285
1/2nd MAY	HALIFAX III "A" LW. 951	CAPT F/L LOUDON, N.G. J.8246 NAV W/O HALL, R.E. R.148095 E/A SGT WADSON, R.H. R.155065 W/G SGT WOODMAN, A.B. R.135783 F/E SGT THOMPSON, E. 1516497 W/G SGT CORRETT, R.H. R.195727 A/G SGT DONALD, E.G. R.164154	J.8246	21.29	02.26	This A/C carrying two "Jellyfish" arrived over position 48.18 30N. 04.41 15W. at 00.06 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 205 m.p.h. No clouds, visibility good. One mine hung up and had to make another run and drop this manually in the allotted position. Successful trip. Crew brought A/C back and landed safely at base.	A.286
1/2nd MAY	HALIFAX III "O" LW. 119	CAPT L. COMPTON, A. O.886286 NAV F/L BOUREAU, J. J.16958 E/A F/S PARKER, M.C. R.155991 W/G W/O CLARKE, J.N. R.113931 F/E SGT JARVIS, C.J. 1604938 W/G SGT HAYES, H. R.192633 A/G SGT JACOBSON, J. R.194844	O.886286	21.30	02.29	This A/C carrying two "Jellyfish" arrived over position 48.18 30N. and 04.41 15W. at 00.03 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 202 m.p.h. Visibility good, no clouds. Trouble free trip and felt to be quite successful. Crew returned A/C safely to base.	A.287
1/2nd MAY	HALIFAX III "U" LW. 991	CAPT F/L TURNBULL, J.C. J.21370 NAV F/O ALBERT, E.T. J.14793 E/A F/O MCBAIN, A.H. J.23636 W/G SGT GILBERT, R.G. 1575683 F/E SGT MICHAEL, P.H. R.69846 W/G F/O HUTT, G.A. J.19839 A/G SGT MALES, J. R.225229	J.21370	21.23	02.12	This A/C carrying two "Jellyfish" arrived over position 48.18 30N. and 04.41 15W. at 00.02 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 202 m.p.h. No clouds, visibility good. Good trip, trouble free. Crew brought A/C safely back and landed at base.	A.288

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1/2nd MAY	HALIFAX III "G" LW. 117	CAPT F/S STEWART, C.J. R.159082 NAV F/O GANSEY, R.P. J.231114 P/A F/S GREENE, F.R. R.162940 W/C W/O VIVIAN, J.K. R.106317 P/E SGT ROBERTS, C.E. R.123750 M/G SGT MORRILL, W.B. R.191123 A/G SGT HUFF, W.D. R.163427		21.33	02.37	This A/C carrying two "Artichokes" arrived over position 47.38 45N. 03.34 15W. at 00.03 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 230 m.p.h. Visibility good; no clouds. One mine hung up and had to make another run and dropped it in allotted position at 00.12 hrs. Good trip, no trouble and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.289
1/2nd MAY	HALIFAX III "E" LW. 997	CAPT F/L MALLETT, E.L. J.6186 NAV F/O IRWIN, R.A. J.14212 P/A W/O SWEATMAN, R.O. R.120655 W/C W/O KAKELY, W.H. R.99927 P/E SGT MUIR, M. R.1914501 M/G SGT FARR, R.J. R.194325 A/G F/S PUFFA, V. R.165480		21.27	02.22	This A/C carrying two "Jellyfish" arrived over position 48.18 30N. and 04.41 15W. at 00.02 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 230 m.p.h. No clouds, visibility good. No trouble, good trip. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.290
1/2nd MAY	HALIFAX III "G" LW. 961	CAPT F/O MILLMAN, T.R. J.26745 NAV F/L AAY, F.T. C.2233 P/A W/O STARRUP, B.J. R.125779 W/G F/O GEORGE, J.L. J.27881 P/E SGT SWANSON, J. R.290846 M/G F/O MARSHALL, W.S. J.17835 A/G F/O WILSON, F.N. 89437		21.29	02.35	This A/C carrying two "Artichokes" arrived over position 47.38 45N. and 03.34 15W. at 00.07 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 230 m.p.h. No clouds, visibility good. Both parachutes open to open. Good trip. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.291
4/5th MAY	HALIFAX III "E" LW. 998	CAPT W/O VANDER, E. R.135134 NAV F/O LAWRENCE, W.J. J.23498 P/A F/S STEVAGE, R.V. R.143800 W/G SGT ROBERTS, R. R.132376 P/E SGT JACKSON, F.R. R.1864789 M/G SGT ADAM, J.R. R.132216 A/G SGT FLORENCE, J. R.195072		22.40	03.22	This A/C carrying two UFAS TREES deposited them at position 48.43N. and 03.52W. at 01.31 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 179 m.p.h. Clear sky, visibility good. A little ice when climbing from base. Climbed to 17,000 ft. about 15 miles from base to avoid it. Both parachutes seen to open and it is considered a successful trip. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.292
4/5th MAY	HALIFAX III "B" LW. 313	CAPT F/O HILL, W.F. J.24296 NAV F/O HORSWILL, T. J.23110 P/A F/S DOWNER, J.A. R.156772 W/G SGT PARSONS, E.B. R.1600297 P/E SGT NICHOLS, S. R.1674785 M/G SGT SWEENEY, D.M. R.125232 A/G SGT GREEN, W.A. R.191737		22.46	03.17	This A/C carrying two "Hyacinthe Bulbs" planted them at position 48.41N. and 02.08W. at 01.22 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 204 m.p.h. Visibility was good with 5/10th cloud with tops at 10,000 ft. Both parachutes were seen to open. Good route but had to climb to 18,000 ft. to avoid ice after leaving base. Successful trip and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.293
4/5th MAY	HALIFAX III "U" LW. 991	CAPT S/L LAYLOR, R.J. J.2102 NAV SGT WHONE, J.P. R.1456197 P/A F/S WOYCIK, E. R.132421 W/G SGT HARTING, A.C. R.1127307 P/E SGT BOWLEY, C.E. R.1804110 M/G SGT LARSON, S.O. R.181816 A/G SGT BRADSHAW, J.L. R.92266		22.40	02.24	This A/C carrying two "Green Gages" deposited them at position 48.41N. and 01.10W. at 00.50 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 235 m.p.h. Clear, visibility good. Unsuccessful good trip. Crew brought A/C back and landed safely at base.	A.294

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4/5th MAY	HALIFAX III "X" LW.121	CAPT W/O MATHER, A.T. NAV W/O CRAIN, A.F. W/A W/O CORDER, A.F. W/G SGT CAREY, G. P/E SGT CATTON, H.J. W/G SGT SKELEY, G.A. A/G W/O HAYWARD, G.T.	R.95577 R.141034 R.157430 R.1126974 R.1221082 R.77345 R.112303	22.45	03.05	MINING This A/C carrying two "Scallops" arrived over position 49.50N. 00.00W. at 01.11 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 216 m.p.h. Visibility fair with 10/10th clouds with tops at 7,000 ft. One chute definitely seen to open. Good trip and A/C returned and landed safely at base.	A.295
4/5th MAY	HALIFAX III "A" LW.951	CAPT F/O BANNER, R. NAV F/O MAY, A.E. W/A F/O MORRISON, J.N. W/G W/O TOMLINSON, W. P/E SGT DAWSON, D. W/G SGT BARTWELL, W.S. A/G F/O QUEEN, S.J.	J.23899 J.22899 J.23207 R.67302 R.1803286 R.204833 J.27920	22.39	03.14	MINING This A/C carrying two "UPAS TREES" arrived over position 48.43N. 03.53W. at 01.31 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 171 m.p.h. Clear, good visibility. Both parachutes seen to open. On the outward journey at 15,000 ft. 50 miles from base ran into ice and both inner engines packed up. It was with difficulty that we kept them cleared but by working diligently for about 20 minutes we finally cleared them and carried on with the task. Successful trip and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.296
4/5th MAY	HALIFAX III "E" LW.997	CAPT F/O SHERWOOD, M.C. NAV W/O PORCHAVE, R. W/A F/O SPACKMAN, G.L. W/G W/O ARKIE, E.F. P/E SGT SUMMERS, W.B. W/G SGT PARR, E.J. A/G F/S WILE, C.D.	J.23409 R.148415 J.23998 R.76423 R.1865520 R.194125 R.76462	22.48	03.47	MINING This A/C carrying two "Hyacinthes" arrived over position 48.41N. and 02.08W. at 01.40 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 205 m.p.h. No cloud, good visibility. One "Hyacinthe" hung up and had to make three runs over the "Garden" but was unable to get rid of the "bulb". The parachute of the one that did drop was seen to open. Successful trip. One mine brought back to base and A/C landed safely.	A.297
4/5th MAY	HALIFAX III "E" LW.910	CAPT W/O MACKENZIE, D. NAV F/O GIBBS, G.J. W/A F/O GABLE, E.D. W/G SGT BAILEY, F.A. P/E SGT CAMPBELL, J.B. W/G SGT MALLORY, E.D. A/G F/S GIBBS, F.H.	R.142387 J.14215 J.22189 R.1356286 R.1822155 R.163574 R.166279	22.41	03.18	MINING This A/C carrying two "Green Gages" arrived over position 49.41N. 01.35W. at 00.49 hrs. flying at 14,800 ft. and 228 m.p.h. Clear, good visibility. Both parachutes seen to open. Good route, trouble free trip. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.298
4/5th MAY	HALIFAX III "G" LW.117	CAPT F/S BURTON, R.W. NAV F/S THRASHER, R. W/A SGT McMAH, E. W/G W/O GREENBERG, A. P/E SGT McLEOD, J.M. W/G SGT McKay, C.D. A/G SGT KELF, E.G.	R.147766 R.161157 R.157712 R.111612 R.57895 R.208817 R.163088	22.42	03.02	MINING This A/C carrying two "Scallops" arrived over position 49.30N. 00.00W. at 01.10 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 210 m.p.h. Fair visibility. Cloud over the coast but clear over the target area. HES went 1/3 at 50.10N. 02.00 W. Parachutes not seen to open. Route good. Trouble free trip and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.299
4/5th MAY	HALIFAX III "A" LW.921	CAPT F/O BANNER, R.F. NAV F/O MAY, A.E. W/A F/O MORRISON, J. W/G W/O TOMLINSON, W. P/E SGT DAWSON, D. W/G F/O WILLIAMS, L. A/G F/O QUEEN, S.J.	J.23899 J.22899 J.23207 R.67302 R.180326 R.48725 J.27920	23.15	04.21	MINING This A/C carrying two "Artichokes" deposited them at position 47.58N. and 03.34W. at 02.04 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 222 m.p.h. Visibility very clear - could see for 50 miles. Both parachutes seen to open and considered a successful trip. Crew and A/C returned safely to base.	A.300

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8/9th MAY	HALIFAX III "E" LV. 997	CAPT S/L WESTLAND, J. DRO NAV P/O HALL, J. B. B/A P/O GILPIN, J. W. W/O P/S BRER, W. P. P/E SGT DAVIES, R. A/G SGT BRISTEIN, R. A/G P/S ATKINSON, W. S.	J. 9072 J. 14776 J. 22884 J. 111306 R. 165126 R. 183945 R. 141211	23.25	04.51	This A/C carrying two "Artichokes" released them at position 47.38N. and 03.34E. at 02.08 hrs. from 15,000 ft. flying at 215 m.p.h. Visibility clear and good. Successful trip. No trouble of any kind and both parachutes seen to open. Crew and A/G returned safely to base.	A. 301
8/9th MAY	HALIFAX III "D" LV. 998 2/2/4/9/9/9	CAPT W/O VANDER, B. NAV P/O LAURENCE, W. J. B/A P/S SIVAGE, R. D. W/O SGT HOBBS, R. P/E SGT JACKSON, F. R. A/G SGT ADIE, J. R. A/G SGT FLORENCE, J.	R. 135314 J. 23494 R. 143800 R. 132176 R. 164749 R. 135216 R. 195072	23.20	04.34	This A/C carrying two "Beeches" deposited them at 47.07N. and 02.34E. at 02.06 hrs. from 15,000 ft. at 200 m.p.h. Visibility very good. Very successful trip. Both parachutes seen to open. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A. 302
8/9th MAY	HALIFAX III "C" LV. 119	CAPT Lts. COMPTON, A. M. NAV P/O WORDSWORTH, T. B/A W/O PARKES, M. G. W/O W/O CLARKE, J. N. P/E SGT JARVIS, C. A/G P/O WATSON, F. A/G SGT JACKSON, J.	C. 896286 J. 20965 R. 155991 R. 113921 R. 1604938 J. 155072 R. 194844	23.36	04.14	This A/C carrying two "Artichokes" deposited them at position 47.38N. and 03.34E. at 02.03 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 198 m.p.h. Visibility very good. Uneventful trip. No defences encountered. Crew and A/G returned safely to base.	A. 303
8/9th MAY	HALIFAX III "Y" LV. 910	CAPT W/O MACKENZIE, D. NAV P/O COOKE, C. J. B/A P/O CABLE, E. D. W/O SGT BALLEST, F. A. P/E SGT CAMPBELL, J. I. A/G SGT GALLERY, E. D. A/G P/S GIBBS, E. H.	R. 142367 J. 14215 J. 22189 R. 135286 R. 182255 R. 163274 R. 166479	23.17	04.41	This A/C carrying two "Artichokes" released them at position 47.38N. and 03.22E. at 02.02 hrs. from 14,800 ft. at 215 m.p.h. Visibility very good. A very quiet trip. Parachute of first "vegetable" dropped not seen to open. Considered a successful trip. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A. 304
8/9th MAY	HALIFAX III "V" LV. 953	CAPT P/S BURTON, R. W. NAV W/O THREASER, C. R. B/A SGT McMAIN, D. L. W/O W/O GREENBERG, A. P/E SGT McLEOD, J. H. A/G SGT McRAY, G. L. A/G SGT REIF, E. G.	R. 147766 R. 161157 R. 155712 R. 111612 R. 57895 R. 208817 R. 163088	23.19	04.35	This A/C carrying two "Beeches" deposited them at position 47.07N. and 02.38E. at 02.08 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 222 m.p.h. Visibility very good. Successful trip. Both parachutes seen to open. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A. 305
8/9th MAY	HALIFAX III "H" LV. 313	CAPT P/O HILL, W. F. NAV P/O BROWN, J. A. B/A P/O DOWNS, J. A. W/O SGT PARSONS, J. S. P/E SGT NICHOLS, S. A/G SGT SWEENEY, D. M. A/G SGT GREEN, W. A.	J. 24296 J. 23110 R. 156772 R. 400297 R. 167483 R. 125237 R. 191737	23.16	04.20	This A/C carrying two "Artichokes" released them at position 47.38N. and 03.34E. at 02.04 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 217 m.p.h. No clouds, good visibility. Successful trip. Encountered no defences. Crew and A/G returned safely to base.	A. 306

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8/9th MAY	HALIFAX III "C" LV.961	CAPT F/O MILLMAN, F.R. NAV F/L AMY, H.T. S/A W/O STUBBS, B. W/G F/O GEORGESEN, L. P/E SGT SWARTWICK, J. W/G F/O MARSHALL, W. A/G F/O WILSON, F.N.	J.25745 C.2233 R.125779 J.27881 2209846 157835	23.18	04.40	This A/C carrying two "Beeches" at a position 47.07N. and 02.36W. at 02.05 hrs. from 15,000 ft. at 215 m.p.h. No cloud, visibility very good. Uneventful trip. Considered successful and crew and A/C returned safely to base.	A.307
8/9th MAY	HALIFAX III "B" LV.998	CAPT F/O SHERWOOD, M. NAV F/O PORCHAY, B.A. S/A F/O SPACKMAN, C.L. W/G W/O ARKLE, R.F. P/E SGT SUMMERS, W.B. W/G SGT BARNARD, W.S. A/G F/S WILE, C.D.	J.23409 R.148415 J.23998 R.76423 1866650 R.204833 R.76462	23.30	04.30	This A/C carrying two "Beeches" deposited them at a position 47.07N. 02.36W. At 02.04 hrs. from 15,000 ft. at 215 m.p.h. Clear visibility, successful mission. Both parachutes seen to open. Crew and A/C returned safely to base.	A.308
8/9th MAY	HALIFAX III "X" LV.121	CAPT F/O HAMILTON, F. NAV F/O MCCORMICK, D. S/A F/S MCCUBBIN, R. W/G W/O PALLET, G.D. P/E SGT COUSINS, W.L. W/G SGT CORNELIUS, D. A/G F/S COXTON, G.N.	J.11556 J.24223 R.156217 R.141169 2001568 R.210069 R.124448	23.22	04.26	This A/C carrying two "Artichokes" deposited them at a position 47.38N. 02.34W. at 02.00 hrs. from 15,200 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Clear visibility, good trip with no opposition. Considered very successful. Crew and A/C returned safely to base.	A.309
8/9th MAY	HALIFAX III "H" LV.991	CAPT F/O LOBERT, J.W. NAV F/O PEACOCK, W.T. S/A F/O COULTS, G.L. W/G W/O HALLMAN, L.A. P/E SGT SCAMMELL, R.V. W/G SGT TINEAU, C.J. A/G F/O VIAU, R.G.	J.20360 R.98453 J.20167 R.124634 1836157 R.217641 J.19099	23.23	04.44	This A/C carrying two "Beeches" arrived over position 47.07N. 02.36W. at 02.07 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 214 m.p.h. Visibility clear, could see for 20 miles. Both parachutes seen to open. No defences encountered throughout trip and crew and A/C returned safely to base.	A.310
8/9th MAY	HALIFAX III "T" LV.970	CAPT W/O MATHER, A.T. NAV W/O CRAIN, A.P. S/A W/O CONDER, A.B. W/G SGT CAREY, G. P/E SGT CAPTON, R.E. W/G SGT SEHLEY, C.A. A/G W/O HAYWARD, C.T.	R.95577 R.141034 R.157430 1126974 1824082 R.77445 R.112303	23.21	04.38	This A/C carrying two "Beeches" deposited them at position 47.07N. 02.36W. at 02.07 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 212 m.p.h. No clouds, visibility very good. A very good trip. No defences encountered. Crew and A/C returned safely to base.	A.311
9/10th MAY	HALIFAX III "A" LV.951	CAPT F/O HAMILTON, W.V. NAV W/O BURNS, C.D. S/A SGT MILLER, A.B. W/G W/O THOMPSON, W.F. P/E SGT MOALPINE, W. W/G SGT MYCHREEST, W. A/G SGT POWER, J.N. 2nd Lt. F/O HANNAH, H.A.	J.16121 R.129859 R.155322 R.130883 1824496 R.210600 R.187753 J.28106	00.58	04.46	This A/C carrying 8 x 1000 lb. and 5 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.02 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good, no clouds. Released bombs on the Red T.I.s which were in two clusters. The bombing was well concentrated around the markers. Trouble free trip and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.312

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9/10th MAY	HALIFAX III "B" 15,313	CAPT W/O BARRON, R. Sgt W/O MAY, A.S. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R.	5,23699 5,23699 5,23697 5,67302 5,67302 5,67302	00:50	05:00	This A/C carrying 6 x 1000 and 7 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 04:03 hrs. Flying at 5,000 ft. and 170 mph. Visibility very good, some slight haze. Dropped bombs on cluster of red h.s.s. near the station above of the river. Our bombs went bursting on the station along many others. Bombing was most concentrated and was considered to be falling on the A/C. Good trip and crew of all trouble. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.315
9/10th MAY	HALIFAX III "B" 15,313	CAPT W/O BARRON, R. Sgt W/O MAY, A.S. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R.	5,23699 5,23699 5,23697 5,67302 5,67302 5,67302	00:50	05:00	This A/C carrying 6 x 1000 lb. and 5 x 500 lb. bombs had to abandon the task due to a defect in the hydraulic system shortly after take off. Dropped bombs at a position 5/10th and 15/10th at 04:03 hrs. from 4,000 ft. and returned safely to base.	A.314
9/10th MAY	HALIFAX III "B" 15,313	CAPT W/O BARRON, R. Sgt W/O MAY, A.S. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R.	5,23699 5,23699 5,23697 5,67302 5,67302 5,67302	00:50	05:00	This A/C carrying 6 x 1000 lb. and 5 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 04:03 hrs. Flying at 5,000 ft. and 170 mph. Visibility good. Dropped bombs on cluster of red h.s.s. 1/4 of the town. Many bombs went to burst right across the station. Bombing was concentrated and was considered a successful raid. Good trip and returned safely to base.	A.313
9/10th MAY	HALIFAX III "B" 15,313	CAPT W/O BARRON, R. Sgt W/O MAY, A.S. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R.	5,23699 5,23699 5,23697 5,67302 5,67302 5,67302	00:50	05:00	This A/C carrying 6 x 1000 lb. and 5 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 04:03 hrs. Flying at 5,000 ft. and 170 mph. Visibility good. Dropped bombs on cluster of red h.s.s. 1/4 of the town. Many bombs went to burst right across the station. Bombing was concentrated and was considered a successful raid. Good trip and returned safely to base.	A.316
9/10th MAY	HALIFAX III "B" 15,313	CAPT W/O BARRON, R. Sgt W/O MAY, A.S. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R.	5,23699 5,23699 5,23697 5,67302 5,67302 5,67302	00:50	05:00	This A/C carrying 6 x 1000 lb. and 5 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 04:03 hrs. Flying at 5,000 ft. and 170 mph. Visibility good. Dropped bombs on cluster of red h.s.s. 1/4 of the town. Many bombs went to burst right across the station. Bombing was concentrated and was considered a successful raid. Good trip and returned safely to base.	A.317
9/10th MAY	HALIFAX III "B" 15,313	CAPT W/O BARRON, R. Sgt W/O MAY, A.S. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R. W/O BARRON, R.	5,23699 5,23699 5,23697 5,67302 5,67302 5,67302	00:50	05:00	This A/C carrying 6 x 1000 lb. and 5 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 04:03 hrs. Flying at 5,000 ft. and 170 mph. Visibility good. Dropped bombs on cluster of red h.s.s. 1/4 of the town. Many bombs went to burst right across the station. Bombing was concentrated and was considered a successful raid. Good trip and returned safely to base.	A.318

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9/10th MAY	HALIFAX III "J" LW.131	CAPT F/O SHERWOOD, M. NAV W/O FORGAVE, R. B/A F/O SPACEMAN, G.H. W/O W/O BRIDLE, E.H. P/E SGT SUMMERS, W.B. M/G SGT BARNARD, W.S. A/G R/S WILE, G.D.	J.25409 R.148415 J.22994 R.76423 1866520 R.204833 R.76482	01.01	04.40	This A/C carrying 8 x 1000 lb. and 5 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 03.01 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good. Dropped bombs on centre of red T.I.'s. Bombs seen bursting around T.I.'s. Considered a fairly good effort but would have been better if P.F.F. would not have been late. A/C returned safely to base.	A.319
9/10th MAY	HALIFAX III "O" LW.119	CAPT L.A. COMPTON, A. NAV F/O HOLZMORTH, J. B/A W/O PARKER, M.G. W/O W/O CHAPMAN, J.M. P/E SGT JARVIS, C. M/G SGT WATSON, T. A/G SGT JACKSON, J.	C.836286 J.20565 R.155991 R.113921 1604938 156472 R.194844	01.04	04.58	This A/C carrying 8 x 1000 lb. and 5 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 03.03 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. and 175 m.p.h. Visibility good. Bombed on the first cluster of red T.I.'s. Bombing well concentrated around the markers. Good, trouble free trip. A/C returned safely to base.	A.320
9/10th MAY	HALIFAX III "I" LW.121	CAPT F/O HAMILTON, F.C. NAV F/O MCCORMICK, D. B/A P/S MCCUBBIN, E. W/O W/O PALLET, G.O. P/E SGT COUSINS, W.B. M/G SGT CORNELIUS, C. A/G F/S COMPTON, G.L. 2nd Plt F/O PARTRIDGE, J.	J.11556 J.24223 R.156217 R.141169 2201368 R.210069 R.124448 J.25050	01.03	05.13	This A/C carrying 8 x 1000 lb. and 5 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 03.02 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good. Bombed on the centre of the red T.I.'s. P.F.F. were late but bomb bursts seemed all around the T.I.'s. It is considered that this should be a good raid. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.321
9/10th MAY	HALIFAX III "B" LW.959	CAPT F/O BROWN, E. NAV F/O KELLEY, H.E. B/A F/O MCCREIGHT, V.W. W/O W/O JOHNSON, G.H. P/E SGT BROWN, H. M/G SGT LINDSAY, M.S. A/G SGT BRANCH, H.J.	J.24772 J.24559 J.28361 R.168394 1822921 R.203543 R.194624	01.02	05.02	This A/C carrying 8 x 1000 lb. and 5 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 03.05 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good. Dropped bombs on the centre of red T.I.'s. A fair concentration of bombs seen bursting around the markers. If P.F.F. accurate, should be a very successful raid. No trouble encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.322
10/11th MAY	HALIFAX III "D" LW.316	CAPT F/O HILL, W.F. NAV F/O HENSHILL, F. B/A W/O DOWNEY, J. W/O SGT PARSONS, I.F. P/E SGT NICHOLS, S. M/G SGT SHERNEY, D. A/G SGT GREEN, W.A.	J.24296 J.23110 R.156772 1699297 1674783 R.125232 R.191757	21.40	02.41	This A/C carrying two "Sultanas" deposited them at a position 48.26N. and 05.02W. at 00.17 hrs. from 8,000 ft. flying at 192 m.p.h. Visibility fair, some haze. Both parachutes seen to open. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.323
10/11th MAY	HALIFAX III "B" LW.313	CAPT F/O BANNER, R. NAV F/O MAY, A.E. B/A F/O MORRISON, J. W/O W/O TOMLINSON, W. P/E SGT DAWSON, D. M/G F/L WILLIAMS, L. A/G F/O QUINN, S.J.	J.23899 J.22859 J.23207 R.67302 186326 48725 J.27920	21.42	02.46	This A/C carrying two "Artichokes" deposited them at position 47.35N. 03.08W. at 00.24 hrs. from 15,000 ft. at 217 m.p.h. Visibility good. Both parachutes seen opening and considerable ground defences concentrated on some of our A/C. No particular trouble encountered and A/C returned safely to base.	A.324

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10/11th MAY	HALIFAX III "J" LX.314	CAPT F/O MILLMAN, T. NAV F/L AMY, E. E. W/A W/O STANLEY, P. W/G F/O GOSWORTHY, L. P/E SGT SWAFFORTH, V. I/G F/O MARSHALL, W. A/G F/O WILSON, F.M.	J.26745 C.2233 J.125779 J.27881 2209846 157835 89417	22.18	MINING	This A/C carrying two "Artichokes" failed to return from this operation but it is considered that the "vegetables" were successfully dropped.	A.325
10/11th MAY	HALIFAX III "Q" LX.119	CAPT Lt. COLETON, A. NAV F/O WORDSWORTH, T. W/A W/O PARKES, M.D. W/G W/O CLARKE, J.H. P/E SGT JARVIS, C. I/G F/O WATSON, F. A/G SGT JACOBSON, J.	C.886286 J.20965 C.159993 J.113921 1604938 155072 E.194844	21.47	02.43	This A/C carrying two "Jollyfish" deposited them at position 48.13N. and 04.38E. at 00.15 hrs. from 15,000 ft. at 219 m.p.h. Visibility was good. Both parachutes seen to open. Crew and A/C returned safely to base.	A.326
10/11th MAY	HALIFAX III "T" LX.970	CAPT F/O DEROW, E.S. NAV F/O BRADSHAW, P. W/A F/O NEILAN, J. W/G W/O MOLLARD, D. P/E SGT SCHOFIELD, H. W/G SGT HERTZ, E. A/G SGT BOWLING, H.	J.21418 J.12278 J.14744 E.119313 362130 E.179335 E.135722	21.44	02.22	This A/C carrying two "Uphs Trees" deposited them at position 48.43N. and 03.52E. at 00.09 hrs. from 8,000 ft. at 165 m.p.h. Visibility good. Considered a successful trouble free trip. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.327
10/11th MAY	HALIFAX III "U" LX.955	CAPT F/O BERTON, R.W. NAV W/O THURASHER, C. W/A F/O HOLMAN, D.W. W/G W/O GREENBERG, R. P/E SGT HOLMES, J.W. I/G W/O MARSHALL, W.A. A/G SGT REIF, E.C.	E.147766 E.161157 E.155742 E.111612 E.57895 E.112754 E.163088	21.48	02.22	This A/C carrying two "Sultanas" deposited them at position 48.26N. at 05.02E. at 00.09 hrs. from 8,000 ft. at 200 m.p.h. Visibility only fair. Both parachutes seen to open. Considered a successful trip and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.328
10/11th MAY	HALIFAX III "V" LX.298	CAPT W/O VANIER, E. NAV F/O LAWRENCE, J. W/A F/O SIMPSON, R. W/G SGT ROGERS, R. P/E SGT JACKSON, P.R. I/G SGT EDM, J.R. A/G SGT FLORENCE, J.	E.135334 J.23494 E.143800 1323176 1864789 E.135216 E.195072	21.38	02.14	This A/C carrying two "Hyacinthes" deposited them at position 48.11N. and 02.06E. at 00.05 hrs. from 8,000 ft. and 204 m.p.h. Visibility only fair and only one parachute seen to open. Considered a successful trip and A/C returned safely to base.	A.329
10/11th MAY	HALIFAX III "J" LX.131	CAPT F/O SHERWOOD, M. NAV W/O FORGRAVE, R. W/A F/O STACHAN, G.L. W/G W/O ARKLE, E.P. P/E SGT SUGGERS, W.D. I/G SGT BARNARD, W.S. A/G F/S WILE, C.D.	J.23409 E.148415 J.23998 E.76423 1866520 E.204833 E.76482	21.41	02.56	This A/C carrying two "Beaches" deposited them at a position 47.08N. and 02.19E. at 00.22 hrs. from 15,000 ft. and 216 m.p.h. Visibility fair, some haze. Some flak seen but not near particular area. Both parachutes seen opening. Considered a successful trip. A/C and crew returned safely to base.	A.330

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10/11th MAY	HALIFAX III "A" LW.951	CAPT F/O TIDY, W.R. NAV F/O HUGHES, P.R. P/A F/O WHITELAW, D. W/G W/O CAMPBELL, R.G. P/E SGT MASON, L.C. M/G SGT WADSON, T.J. A/G W/O HEMMIS, D.H.	J.25835 J.25748 J.20041 R.111857 R.139123 R.216089 R.178331	21.32	02.29 ²	This A/C carrying two "Ugma Trees" deposited them at position 48.43N. and 03.53W. at 00.15 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. and 150 m.p.h. Visibility poor due to thick haze. Parachutes not seen opening. Had to waste time over concentration point as winds were not over England. Considered a successful trip and A/C returned safely to base.	A.331
10/11th MAY	HALIFAX III "U" LW.991	CAPT F/O LAGREY, J. NAV F/O FEADOCK, W.T. P/A F/O DOWLER, D.H. W/G W/O MATHIAS, L.A. P/E SGT SOANES, J.W. M/G SGT FINEAU, G.J. A/G F/O VIAN, R.C.	J.20360 R.98453 R.20167 R.124654 R.186157 R.217641 J.19099	21.46	02.58	This A/C carrying two "Beaches" deposited them at 47.08N. and 02.20E. at 00.22 hrs. from 15,000 ft. flying at 235 m.p.h. Visibility was good. Both parachutes seen opening. No defences encountered throughout trip and A/C returned safely to base.	A.332
10/11th MAY	HALIFAX III "X" LW.121	CAPT F/O HAMILTON, P. NAV F/O MCGONICK, D. P/A F/S MCGUBBIN, R. W/G W/O FALLET, G.C. P/E SGT COUSINS, W.L. M/G SGT CORNELIUS, G. A/G F/S COMPTON, G.A.	J.11556 J.24223 R.156217 R.141169 R.220368 R.230669 R.124448	21.45	03.00	This A/C carrying two "Jellyfish" deposited them at 48.19N. and 04.38W. at 00.28 hrs. from 15,000 ft. at 216 m.p.h. Visibility good. Had to make two runs over the "Garden", releasing on the second run. Defences opened up late on the first run and closed down on the 2nd run before we reached the release point. Both parachutes seen opening. Successful trip. No damage sustained and returned safely to base.	A.333
11/12th MAY	HALIFAX III "A" LW.951	CAPT F/L LOUDOUN, H.G. NAV W/O HALL, R.E. P/A F/S WADSON, R.H. W/G SGT WOOLMAN, A.S. P/E SGT THOMPSON, H. M/G SGT CORREY, D. A/G SGT DONALD, R.G. 2nd F/L F/O JOHNSON, G.W.	J.19446 R.148095 R.155065 R.135783 151697 R.195727 R.161354 J.27421	22.34	02.30	This A/C carrying 7 x 1000 lb. and 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.37 hrs. at 10,000 ft. and 173 m.p.h. Visibility good, a little haze. Dropped bombs on yellow T.I.'s. Numerous explosions seen. One large oil fire at 00.34 hrs. Master of Ceremonies heard directing bombing. F.P.'s. seemed accurate. Master of Ceremonies very helpful and clearly heard. As we left we saw 2nd large explosion at 00.41 hrs. in the centre of the target area. Considered successful raid. No defences and returned safely to base.	A.334
11/12th MAY	HALIFAX III "J" LW.131	CAPT F/O HILL, W.F. NAV F/O HORSWILL, T. P/A W/O DOWNER, J. W/G SGT PARSONS, I.B. P/E SGT NICHOLS, D. M/G SGT SWENNEY, D. A/G SGT GREEN, W.A.	J.24296 J.23110 R.156772 1699297 1674785 R.125232 R.191737	22.35	02.05	This A/C carrying 13 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over target at 00.33 hrs. at 11,000 ft. flying at 170 m.p.h. Visibility good with a little haze. Bombed on yellow T.I.'s following instructions from the Master of Ceremonies. F.P.'s. were well concentrated and there were plenty of illuminating flares. Seemed accurate bombing and numerous explosions noticed near the T.I.'s. No confusion over the target. Master of Ceremonies was helpful and the target was well marked. Considered a successful trip. A/C returned safely to base.	A.335

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11/12th MAY	HALIFAX III "D" HK 516	CAPT F/S KIRBY, R.A. NAV W/O VANDERKAM, T. S/A S/O DESSAENE-HAY W/O SGT PARRY, R.H. P/O SGT DAVIES, M. W/O SGT CUMBERS, J. A/G SGT SNIDER, E.A.	R.153712 CAN.4832 J.24019 1411307 1651126 R.210110 R.165420	22.47	02.29	This A/C carrying 7 x 1000 lb. and 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.37 hrs. at 10,800 ft. and 175 m.p.h. Visibility good with slight haze. Dropped bombs on red T.I.'s. Target was well illuminated by flares and a great billow of smoke rising. Heavy bomb bursts seen falling across markers. Master Bomber gave instructions as to which markers to back and P.P.F. appeared to be accurate. Due to a probable electrical failure which caused bombs to hang up and which was not discovered until after leaving the target, 4 x 1000 lb. and 2 x 500 lb. bombs were jettisoned at 50.34 hrs. and 01.05 hrs. at 00.15 hrs. from 9,500 ft. and 3 x 1000 lb. and 4 x 500 lb. bombs were brought safely back to base. No defences encountered throughout the trip and the bomber stream was well concentrated over the target area.	A.336
11/12th MAY	HALIFAX III "D" LF.953	CAPT S/L LAWSON, R.J. NAV SGT WHONE, J.F. S/A S/O WOYCK, E. W/O SGT MANNING, A.G. P/O SGT ROWLEY, C.B. W/O SGT LARSON, S.C. A/G SGT BRADSHAW, J.L.	J.2102 1456197 R.132421 1127307 1804110 R.181816 922606	22.39	02.10	This A/C carrying 7 x 1000 lb. and 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.35 hrs. flying at 11,000 ft. and 175 m.p.h. Visibility was good with some haze. Dropped bombs on the centre of a cluster of green and yellow indicators. P.P.F. well concentrated. One large explosion was seen at 00.39 hrs. and a large number of bomb bursts near the T.I.'s. Master of Ceremonies continued accuracy of P.P.F. No congestion over target and should be a very successful raid. A/C returned safely to base.	A.337
11/12th MAY	HALIFAX III "D" LF.991	CAPT F/L TURNBULL, J.G. NAV F/O ALBERT, R.T. S/A F/O MCBAIN, A.H. W/O SGT GILBERT, R.G. P/O SGT MICHAEL, F.H. W/O F/O HUNT, G.A. A/G SGT KALES, J. 2nd Flt F/O BARTON, S.G.	J.21370 J.14793 J.23638 1575683 R.69144 J.19839 R.225229 J.24258	22.42	02.19	This A/C carrying 7 x 1000 lb. and 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.37 hrs. flying at 11,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Clear good visibility. Dropped bombs on the red T.I.'s. Smoke over the target obscured the ground but saw one shot of bombs burst across the tracks. One large explosion lasting 30 seconds at 00.32 hrs. P.P.F. well concentrated on run in but fading as we bombed. Did not hear Master of Ceremonies. No congestion over target. Wind shift was responsible for being a bit late. Considered a successful raid and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.338
11/12th MAY	HALIFAX III "D" HK.313	CAPT F/O RALSON, R.A. NAV W/O LOPEHOUSE, J. S/A F/O LING, J.F. W/O SGT WREN, G.A. P/O SGT BOWLEY, R.J. A/G SGT FISHER, J. W/O F/S CABLE, A. DEN	J.19840 R.147155 J.25706 1199577 1870630 R.207827 R.171696	22.36	02.23	This A/C carrying 7 x 1000 lb. and 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.34 hrs. flying at 11,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Good visibility but a bit of haze. Dropped bombs on the centre of the red T.I.'s. Could see the illuminators from the English coast. Master of Ceremonies a great help in organizing the attack. One large explosion of black oily smoke at 00.34 hrs. Very concentrated raid. Well directed by Master of Ceremonies and P.P.F. were accurate. No trouble and considered a very successful raid. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.339

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11/12th MAY	HALIFAX III "H" LW.998	CAPT W/O VANIER, R. R.135354 NAV P/O LAWRENCE, J. J.23484 P/A P/O SINKWATER, R. R.143800 W/O SGT ROGERS, R. R.133176 P/E SGT JACKSON, P.H. R.1664789 M/G SGT ADAM, J.R. R.135216 A/G SGT FLORENCE, J. R.195072	BOMBING BOULOGNE	22.37	02.26	This A/C carrying 6 x 500 lb. and 7 x 1000 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.35 hrs. flying at 11,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility fair with some haze. Dropped bombs on the camp of red and green T.I.'s. Large explosion seen at 00.55 hrs. Red flash lit up the sky and oily black smoke seen billowing up. Seemed to be a depot at the North end of the target area. Master of Ceremonies heard very faintly. No congestion over target and attack well concentrated. Successful raid and A/C returned safely to base.	A.340
11/12th MAY	HALIFAX III "G" LW.117	CAPT P/S STEWART, C.J. R.159028 NAV P/O GAGNEY, A.C. J.23114 P/A P/O GREENE, P.S. R.162840 W/O W/O VIVIAN, J.K. R.106317 P/E SGT MORRIS, C.S. R.123750 M/G SGT MORRILL, W.A. R.191123 A/G SGT HINE, W.D. R.163427	BOMBING BOULOGNE	22.41	02.22	This A/C carrying 7 x 1000 lb. and 6 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.37 hrs. flying at 11,000 ft. and 172 m.p.h. Visibility good with slight haze. Bombed on the yellow target indicators. Many bomb bursts seen to fall on target area where Master Bomber indicated the markers. Should be a very good raid. A large glow lasting a few seconds seen after leaving the target at 00.40 hrs. No defences encountered and A/C returned safely to base.	A.341
11/12th MAY	HALIFAX III "T" LW.910	CAPT W/O MACKENZIE, D.R. R.142357 NAV P/O COOPER, C.F. J.14225 P/A P/O GABLE, R.D. J.22139 W/O SGT BAILEY, P.A. R.1338285 P/E SGT GAGNEY, J. R.1822155 M/G SGT MALLORY, R.D. R.163274 A/G P/S GIBBS, P.H. R.166279	BOMBING BOULOGNE	22.40	02.18	This A/C carrying 7 x 1000 lb. and 5 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.39 hrs. flying at 11,000 ft. travelling at 170 m.p.h. Vertical visibility poor - some haze. Dropped bombs on the red T.I.'s and there was heavy smoke over the target and numerous explosions seen. Master of Ceremonies very helpful in directing bombing. Large explosion seen at 00.35 hrs. Flashes and black smoke covering the whole of the target area. P.F.s. were accurate and Master of Ceremonies a great help. Bombing considered a success and A/C returned safely to base.	A.342
12/13th MAY	HALIFAX III "A" LW.951	CAPT P/L LOUDON, M.G. J.8246 NAV W/O HALL, R.E. R.149095 P/A P/O WADSON, R.N. R.255065 W/O SGT WOODMAN, A.B. R.135783 P/E SGT THOMPSON, H. R.153687 M/G SGT CORRETT, R.B. R.195727 A/G SGT DONALD, E.C. R.164154	MINING BORCHM	22.27	01.50	This A/C carrying two "Nectarines" deposited them at 53.35N and 06.17E at 00.20 hrs. at 15,000 ft. and 210 m.p.h. Visibility poor due to mist. Too misty to see parachutes open. Some flak seen in the vicinity but no damage sustained and crew returned safely to base.	A.343
12/13th MAY	HALIFAX III "B" LW.113	CAPT P/S KIRBY, H.A. R.153712 NAV W/O VANDERK, T. G.M.4832 P/A SGT RUSSELL, G.A. R.161249 W/O SGT PARKER, R.A. R.141367 P/E SGT MICHAEL, P.E. R.69044 M/G SGT OMBRETT, J. R.210110 A/G SGT SMIDER, S.A. R.155420	MINING BORCHM	22.35	02.00	This A/C carrying two "Nectarines" deposited them at position 53.35N and 06.17E at 00.18 hrs. from 15,000 ft. at 210 m.p.h. Visibility only fair due to haze. One mine hung up and made second run over the target but could not get rid of it. Some flak seen in the vicinity. No damage sustained and the mine was brought safely back to base.	A.344

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12/13th MAY	HALIFAX III "X" LW. 121	CMPT P/O HAMILTON, J. NAV P/O MOOREHEAD, D. B/A P/O GIBSON, R. W/C W/O FALLET, G.C. P/E SGT COUSINS, W.L. M/C SGT CORRELL, G. A/C P/O COLETON, G.L.	J.11556 J.24223 R.156217 R.141169 R.2301368 R.230069 R.124448	22.33	01.57	This A/C carrying two "Nectarines" deposited them at 53.46N. 06.25E. at 00.25 hrs. from 15,000 ft. travelling at 210 m.p.h. Visibility not good due to haze. Successful trip. No trouble and crew returned safely to base.	A.345
12/13th MAY	HALIFAX III "Q" LW. 117	CMPT P/O STEWART, G.J. NAV P/O GIBSON, A.O. B/A P/O GIBSON, R. W/C W/O VIVIAN, J.R. P/E SGT ROBERTS, G.H. M/C SGT MORRIS, W.H. A/C SGT HUFF, W.D.	R.159028 J.23114 R.162840 R.106517 R.123750 R.191123 R.163427	22.30	02.27	This A/C carrying two "Nectarines" due to H23 going to U/S was unable to plant mines as briefed so brought them back to base. Made three dummy runs and then 4th in attempt to release mines but could not get results so abandoned the task.	A.346
12/13th MAY	HALIFAX III "D" LW. 316	CMPT P/O RIDD, M.R. NAV P/O HUGHES, P.E. B/A P/O WHITELAW, D. W/C W/O GIBSON, R.C. P/E SGT MASON, L.C. M/C SGT WATSON, T.J. A/C W/O HERRIS, D.	J.25833 J.25748 J.20041 R.111657 R.106123 R.216089 R.178311	22.31	02.32	This A/C carrying two "Nectarines" deposited them at 53.35N. and 06.17E. at 00.47 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 210 m.p.h. Visibility poor due to haze. "See" went U/S at 00.30 hrs. and had to make dummy run. Successful trip and crew returned safely to base.	A.347
12/13th MAY	HALIFAX III "U" LW. 991	CMPT P/O LAMONT, J.A. NAV W/O FALLET, G.C. B/A P/O GIBSON, R. W/C W/O HAMILTON, J. P/E SGT ROBERTS, G.H. M/C SGT PIRNIE, C.J. A/C P/O VIAN, R.C.	J.20360 R.94453 R.230167 R.124434 R.665157 R.217641 R.19099	22.29	01.53	This A/C carrying two "Nectarines" deposited them at 53.35N. and 06.17E. at 01.22 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. and 200 m.p.h. Visibility poor due to haze. No mist to see parachute open. No trouble encountered and considered a successful trip. Returned safely to base.	A.348
12/13th MAY	HALIFAX III "W" LW. 970	CMPT P/O DEROO, R.C. NAV P/O BRADSHAW, S. B/A P/O MELLANS, J. W/C W/O McLEARN, D. P/E SGT SCHOFIELD, N. M/C SGT ERSTE, E. A/C SGT BOHLE, H.	J.21118 J.12278 J.14744 R.119313 R.1621505 R.210595 R.218752	22.29	02.04	This A/C carrying two "Nectarines" deposited them at position 53.44N. 06.25E. at 00.31 hrs. from 15,000 ft. at 210 m.p.h. Visibility poor due to haze. Very good trip. Had to make a dummy run at 0022 hrs. but successfully deposited the mines. Returned safely to base.	A.349
12/13th MAY	HALIFAX III "Q" LW. 119	CMPT Lt. COLETON, G. NAV P/O WOODSWORTH, R. B/A W/O PATER, M.D. W/C W/O CLARKE, J.M. P/E SGT JARVIS, C.V. M/C P/O WATSON, T.J. A/C SGT JACOBSON, J.	G.866286 J.20265 R.155981 R.113321 R.160453 R.25072 R.191804	22.32	02.56	This A/C carrying two "Nectarines" deposited them at position 53.44N. and 06.25E. at 00.25 hrs. from 15,000 ft. at 210 m.p.h. Poor visibility due to haze. Successful trip, no difficulty encountered. Made a dummy run over the target at 00.19 hrs. Crew returned safely to base.	A.350

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18/20 MAY	HALIFAX III "B" HL 313	CAPT P/L MALLET, E.L. NAV P/O IRWIN, R.A. P/A W/O SWEATHAN, K.G. W/O W/O WAGLEY, W.G. P/E SGT KIRBY, M. W/O SGT FREEMAN, G.F. A/G P/S PCTA, V.	J.6186 J.14212 R.120655 R.92227 R.194501 R.190968 R.165480	22.03	02.44	This A/C carrying two "Hyacinthes" deposited them at 48,430 ft. and 02.07 hrs. from 8,000 ft. and 190 m.p.h. Visibility poor due to 6/10th strato cumulus with tops to 7,000 ft. Satisfactory trip throughout. Mines released on 223. Crew returned safely to base.	A.351
19/20 MAY	HALIFAX III "F" LW.113	CAPT P/S KIRBY, H.A. NAV W/O VANDERHUCK, T. P/A P/O DUDMAN-HAY, G. W/O SGT FARGE, R.H. P/E SGT GAIN, F.B. W/O SGT CUMBER, J.W. A/G SGT SNIDER, W.A. 2nd NAV P/L BOUDREAU, J.H.	R.155719 BAN.4832 J.24019 L.11357 1800930 R.210110 R.165420 J.16958	22.06	02.33	This A/C carrying two "Upas Trees" deposited them at 48,430 ft. and 03.52 hrs. from 8,000 ft. and 190 m.p.h. Visibility poor due to low haze, clear above. Successful trip, no defenses throughout. Crew brought A/C safely to base.	A.352
19/20th MAY	HALIFAX III "J" LW.131	CAPT P/O HILL, W.F. NAV P/O HERSWILL, T. P/A W/O DOWNER, J. W/O SGT PARSONS, I.E. P/E SGT NICHOLS, S. W/O SGT GREEN, W.A. A/G SGT WHEATLEY, D.M.	J.24296 J.23110 R.156772 1600297 1674783 R.191731 R.175232	22.22	02.38	This A/C carrying two "Hyacinthes" deposited them at 48,430 ft. and 02.07 hrs. from 8,000 ft. and 192 m.p.h. Visibility poor, 14/10th cumulus to 8,000 ft. Uneventful trip. Mission accomplished successfully. Crew returned safely to base.	A.353
19/20th MAY	HALIFAX III "G" LW.961	CAPT W/O VANDER, E. NAV P/O LONGER, W.J. P/A P/S SIRVAGE, R.D. W/O SGT ROGERS, R. P/E SGT JACKSON, P.R. W/O SGT ADAM, J.R. A/G SGT FLORENCE, J.F.	R.135334 J.23484 R.143800 1523173 1664789 R.132216 R.195070	22.04	02.22	This A/C carrying two "Upas Trees" deposited them at position 48,430 ft. and 01.53 hrs. from 8,000 ft. at 201 m.p.h. Visibility poor as haze to 6,000 ft., clear above. Very good trip, no defenses. Mission accomplished successfully. Crew returned safely to base.	A.354
20/21st MAY	HALIFAX III "S" LW.157	CAPT P/O LAURENT, J.E. NAV W/O FRADDOCK, W.T. P/A P/O COATES, G.L. W/O W/O HALLIDAY, L.A. P/E SGT STANFIELD, H. W/O SGT FINEAU, G.J. A/G P/O VIAN, R.G.	J.20360 R.94553 J.20167 R.124635 1836156 R.217641 J.19099	23.00	03.55	This A/C carrying two "Krauts" had to abandon mission due to port outer oil pressure dropping to zero and temperature rising. Turned back at 56,000 ft. and 04.05 hrs. at 01.31 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Brought mines safely back to base.	A.355
20/21st MAY	HALIFAX III "C" LW.119	CAPT Lt. COMPTON, A. NAV P/O WOODSWORTH, T. P/A W/O PARKER, M.G. W/O W/O CLARK, J.N. P/E SGT JARVIS, C.J. W/O P/O WATSON, F. A/G SGT JACOBSON, J.W.	C.886286 J.20965 R.155991 R.113021 1604938 155072 R.194844	22.59	04.32	This A/C carrying two "Krauts" deposited them at position 56,430 ft. and 10.36 hrs. from 15,000 ft. and 208 m.p.h. Visibility good, very successful trip. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.356

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20/21st MAY	HALIFAX III "T" IX.319	CAPT P/O PARTIDGE, J.A. NAV P/O INGHES, L.G. W/A SGT KIRSTIUK, W.A. W/G SGT BIRCHARD, R.A. P/E SGT BRIDEN, A.L. W/G SGT PATON, J.M. A/G SGT SORRESON, A.E.	J.25850 J.26927 R.151143 1381875 1382030 R.207881 R.223819	22.55	04.30 MINING	This A/C carrying two "Krauts" deposited them at position 56.51N. and 10.36E. at 01.54 hrs. from 15,000 ft. at 202 m.p.h. Visibility good. Was little light flak coming up from ALBORG on homeward trip but no other defences encountered. Rear Gunner unable to see parachutes open. Successful trip and A/C returned safely to base.	A.357
20/21st MAY	HALIFAX III "M" IX.313	CAPT P/L LOUDON, N.G. NAV W/O HALL, R.M. P/A P/O WATSON, R.M. W/G SGT WOODMAN, A.W. P/E SGT THOMSON, H. W/G SGT CORRETT, R.E. A/G SGT DONALD, R.G.	J.8946 A.148095 R.155065 R.155783 1516497 R.195787 R.164254	22.50	04.50 MINING	This A/C carrying two "Krauts" deposited them at position 56.51N. and 10.48E. at 02.05 hrs. from 15,000 ft. at 208 m.p.h. Clear good visibility. No ground defences seen and only one A/C seen. Were not able to see parachutes open. Successful trip and A/C returned safely to base.	A.358
20/21st MAY	HALIFAX III "P" IX.113	CAPT P/S HENRY, R.A. NAV W/O VAUGHAN, T. P/A P/O DUNSMITH, W.G. W/G SGT PARRY, R.H. P/E SGT GAINES, F.S. W/G SGT GUNDESS, J.W. A/G SGT SMITH, R.A.	R.153710 CAN.1432 J.24419 1/11367 1900910 R.210110 R.155420	22.51	04.39 MINING	This A/C carrying two "Krauts" deposited them at position 56.51N. and 10.43E. at 01.59 hrs. from 15,000 ft. and 207 m.p.h. Clear, good visibility. Both chutes seen to open. No trouble in the "Garden" area. Only defences seen were a couple of bursts of light flak from VIBORG. Successful trip and A/C returned safely to base.	A.359
20/21st MAY	HALIFAX III "R" IX.998	CAPT W/O VANDER, E. NAV P/O LAVERNE, J. P/A P/S SHAW, R.D. W/G SGT ROGERS, R. P/E SGT JACKSON, J.R. W/G SGT ADAM, J.R. A/G SGT FLORENCE, J.F.	R.135334 J.24494 R.143800 1323173 1864789 R.135216 R.195070	22.53	04.22 MINING	This A/C carrying two "Krauts" deposited them at position 56.51N. and 10.44E. at 01.57 hrs. from 15,000 ft. and 212 m.p.h. Clear, good visibility. A single light flak gun seen firing from SKIVE but no other defences on the trip. Both parachutes seen to open. Successful trip and A/C returned safely to base.	A.360
20/21st MAY	HALIFAX III "V" IX.953	CAPT P/S BURTON, R.A. NAV W/O THREACHER, G.F. P/A P/A MERRIN, G.L. W/G W/O GREENBERG, I. P/E SGT HALL, J.H. W/G SGT DAVIDSON, W.C. A/G SGT KIPP, R.C.	R.147766 R.161157 R.135512 R.111612 2457895 980491 R.153008	23.03	04.25 MINING	This A/C carrying two "Krauts" deposited them at position 56.54N. and 10.30E. at 01.59 hrs. from 15,000 ft. and 208 m.p.h. Visibility fair. No defences encountered. Mission successfully accomplished and A/C returned safely to base.	A.361
20/21st MAY	HALIFAX III "B" IX.929	CAPT P/O BROWN, E. NAV P/O MILLER, E.D. P/A P/O MCKEIGHT, V.W. W/G W/O JOHNSTON, G.H. P/E SGT BROWN, H. W/G SGT LINDSAY, M.S. A/G SGT BRANCH, H.J.	J.24772 J.24568 J.28361 R.106304 1322921 R.203549 R.191620	22.56	04.30 MINING	This A/C carrying two "Krauts" deposited them at position 56.54N. and 10.32E. at 01.56 hrs. from 15,000 ft. at 208 m.p.h. Visibility fair. No defences encountered and landed at Disforth due to MISUNDERSTANDING of Flying Control Officer but on return to base at 07.11 hrs.	A.362

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20/21st MAY	HALIFAX III "M" LW. 117	CAPT F/O GROMIN, P.E. J.25978 NAV F/O SEEVERSON, J. J.26057 P/A F/O TETCHEM, W. J.28950 W/O W/O STUTON, J.H. R.107551 P/E SGT ROBERT, G.H. R.86381 M/G SGT BROWN, W.G. R.201626 A/G SGT GERRIE, W.G. R.209163	J.25978	22.54	01.43	This A/C carrying two "Krauts" deposited them at position 56.54N and 10.30E. at 02.04 hrs. from 15,000 ft. and 208 m.p.h. Visibility good with no wind. F.A.M. shots were not seen to open. Successful trip and crew returned safely to base.	A.363
20/21st MAY	HALIFAX III "M" LW. 116	CAPT F/O HILL, W.F. J.21258 NAV F/O HERRILL, J. J.23110 P/A W/O DOWEN, J.A. R.156772 W/O SGT BROWN, J.H. R.600297 P/E SGT NICHOLS, S. R.1674703 M/G SGT GERRIE, W.G. R.209163 A/G SGT SWINNEY, D.M. R.125232	J.21258	22.52	01.48	This A/C carrying two "Krauts" deposited them at position 56.58N and 10.52E. at 02.04 hrs. from 15,000 ft. at 230 m.p.h. Clear, good visibility. Starboard outer motor went U/S immediately after starting. Returned safely to base on three motors. No defences and both chutes were seen to open. Rear gunner saw wings hitting water.	A.364
20/21st MAY	HALIFAX III "C" LV. 961	CAPT F/O DOLTER, F.W. J.19998 NAV P/S WILSON, G.A. R.156070 P/A SGT WILSON, R.A. R.166422 W/O W/O KELLER, J.W. R.110947 P/E SGT HILL, W. R.2209127 M/G SGT ALMOND, J.M. R.200858 A/G SGT WILSON, H.M. R.203356	J.19998	22.49	01.54	This A/C carrying two "Krauts" deposited them at position 56.58N and 10.52E. at 01.57 hrs. from 15,000 ft. and 220 m.p.h. Visibility good. A very successful trip. A/C returned safely to base.	A.365
20/21st MAY	HALIFAX III "J" LW. 131	CAPT F/O HAMILTON, P.E. J.16121 NAV W/O BURNS, J.D. R.129889 P/A F/O SMYTH, R.V. J.20814 W/O W/O THOMPSON, W.F. R.130883 P/E SGT MCALPIN, W. R.182486 M/G SGT MYLORREST, W. R.214600 A/G SGT POWER, J.E. R.157753	J.16121	22.51	01.45	This A/C carrying two "Krauts" deposited them at 56.58N and 10.52E. at 02.06 hrs. from 15,000 ft. and 208 m.p.h. Visibility good, and a very good trouble-free trip. A/C returned safely to base.	A.366
22/23rd MAY	HALIFAX III "A" LV. 951	CAPT F/O BARTON, G.B. J.24258 NAV SGT GADDAFF, J. R.133855 P/A SGT ROSS, J. R.55023 W/O W/O SMITH, G.A. R.100320 P/E SGT ROSS, R. 1830835 M/G SGT BROWN, J.E. R.203391 A/G SGT ROSS, J.A. R.207165	J.24258	23.50	05.20	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.39 hrs. flying at 8,600 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good with a slight haze. Strbed on the centre of three yellow T.I.'s. Made dummy run on the first run as the target was well illuminated but no markers seen. On the second run 3 yellow T.I.'s were visible and a large explosion in the centre seen. Bombing seemed very concentrated. Several large fires seen and bomb bursts near T.I.'s. Some congestion over the target due to orbiting. Successful trip and A/C returned safely to base.	A.367

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22/23rd MAY	HALIFAX III "B" IX. 313	CAPT F/L MALLETT, R.A. NAV F/O IRWIN, R.A. P/A W/O SWEATMAN, R.A. W/G W/O WAGLEY, W.G. P/E SGT KUIR, E. M/G SGT FREEMAN, G.E. A/G F/S FOHFA, Y. 2nd P/O F/O JOHNSON, G.H.	J.6186 J.14212 R.120659 R.92227 1194501 R.120268 R.165439 J.27956	23.45	05.57	This A/C carrying 18 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.45 hrs. flying at 8,600 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Dropped bombs on the white T.I.'s as instructed by Master Bomber. Target was covered by smoke. The white T.I.'s could be seen quite clearly. Bombing seemed as haphazard until white T.I.'s went down then the bombing was concentrated. Considered a very successful raid and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.368
22/23rd MAY	HALIFAX III "B" IX. 113	CAPT F/S KIRBY, H.A. NAV F/O VANDERL, J. P/A F/O DRUMMOND-HAY, G. W/G SGT PARRY, R.H. P/E SGT CAIRNS, P.S. M/G SGT CHURCHES, J.W. A/G SGT SNIDER, E.A.	R.153719 R.144532 J.24019 1411587 1800910 R.210110 R.165420	25.53	05.32	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.45 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Bombed on the white T.I.'s at 02.36 hrs. Smoke obscured the target detail and bombing seemed very scattered as P.F.F. were late. Some congestion over the target as some seemed to be bombing at RORZAN. No trouble encountered and A/C returned safely to base.	A.369
22/23rd MAY	HALIFAX III "L" IX. 169	CAPT F/O HANNAH, R.A. NAV F/O COPE, J.L. P/A F/O GRAY, G.H. W/G SGT BURNS, J.O. P/E SGT CATLIN, R.H. M/G SGT RIDGE, A.L. A/G SGT PERINI, E.E.	J.25186 J.28702 J.28504 R.184353 1567791 R.202642 R.202691	23.54	05.35	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.44 hrs. flying at 170 m.p.h. Visibility good. Bombed on the yellow T.I.'s and had to make three runs over the target as first run the bombs did not release. They eventually had to release them manually. Jettisoned 2 x 500 lb. bombs at 49.50N. and 01.00W. at 01.30 hrs. from 9,000 ft. 10 x 500 lb. bombs still hung up due to supposed electrical trouble. No congestion over the target and A/C returned safely to base. <i>Very high target.</i>	A.370
22/23rd MAY	HALIFAX III "L" IX. 319	CAPT F/O PARTRIDGE, J.L. NAV F/O BURNES, J.C. P/A SGT KINGSIUK, W.A. W/G SGT BISCOPE, W.A. P/E SGT BODEN, A.L. M/G SGT PATON, J.K. A/G SGT ROBERTSON, A.R.	J.25850 J.26927 R.151143 1581575 1662030 2217931 R.223819	24.00	05.17	This A/C carrying 18 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.40 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. - clear, good visibility. Bombed on the centre of the red T.I.'s. On the run in to the target saw illuminating flares and ground detail. Numerous bomb bursts seen near the markers. Explosions and fires seen clustered around the markers as we left the target. If P.F.F. accurate should be a successful raid. No congestion over the target. A/C returned safely to base.	A.371
22/23rd MAY	HALIFAX III "L" IX. 970	CAPT W/O MATHER, A.T. NAV W/O GRAIN, A.P. P/A W/O CONDER, D.A. W/G SGT CAREY, G. P/E SGT CATTON, H.T. M/G SGT SEELEY, G.A. A/G W/O HAYWARD, C.T.	R.95577 R.141034 R.157430 1126974 1821082 R.77145 R.112303	23.56	05.05	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.37 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility fair due to haze. Made second run before dropping bombs on a cluster of yellow T.I.'s. Numerous bomb bursts seen near the markers. If yellow T.I.'s accurate this should be a very successful raid. Master Bomber was a great help. A/C returned safely to base.	A.372

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22/23rd MAY	HALIFAX III "G" LV.157	CAPT P/O LAMBERT, J.M. J.20360 NAV W/O FRADDOCK, W.T. R.98453 P/A W/O COUTTS, G.L. J.20367 W/O W/O MATTMAN, L.A. R.104675 P/E SGT SCARFELL, R.H. R.189556 M/O SGT FINEAL, G.J. R.217662 A/C P/O VIAN, R.G. J.19099 2nd FLT P/O FALDWAY, J. J.26741	J.20360 R.98453 J.20367 R.104675 R.189556 R.217662 J.19099 J.26741	00.02	05.08	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.36 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Dropped bombs on the centre of a cluster of white T.I.'s. Bombed on the second orbit. One large explosion seen at 02.38 hrs. red billow of fire and smoke. If markers accurate, should be a very successful raid. Bombed on direction of Master Bomber. Encountered little opposition throughout. A/C returned safely to base.	A.373
22/23rd MAY	HALIFAX III "X" LV.121	CAPT P/O DOLTER, F.W. J.19992 NAV P/O WILSON, G.A. R.156060 P/A SGT WILSON, R. R.166423 W/O W/O KRILL, J. R.110948 P/E SGT WOOD, E. R.2209127 M/O SGT ALMOND, J.N. R.200858 A/C SGT WILSON, H.K. R.203356	J.19992 R.156060 R.166423 R.110948 R.2209127 R.200858 R.203356	00.38	05.21	This A/C carrying 18 x 500 lb. bombs abandoned the task due to lateness of arrival at READING at 01.37 hrs. flying at 10,000 ft. 15 minutes late and Navigator calculated would arrive over target 4 minutes after last time of bombing. 4 x 500 lb. bombs were jettisoned at 04.00 hrs. 00.47 hrs. at 02.42 hrs. from 10,500 ft. 14 x 500 lb. bombs were brought back safely to base. Lateness was due to delayed take-off as first A/C went W/S and had to chance to spare.	A.374
22/23rd MAY	HALIFAX III "G" LV.961	CAPT P/O HAMILTON, P.P. J.16121 NAV W/O BURNS, J.D. R.129859 P/A P/O SMITH, R.V. J.20914 W/O W/O THOMPSON, W.P. R.150883 P/E SGT WEAVER, W. R.182466 M/O SGT WILCHREST, W.E. R.216600 A/C SGT POWELL, J.V. R.157753 2nd FLT Lt. KEYS, J.G. T.223101	J.16121 R.129859 J.20914 R.150883 R.182466 R.216600 R.157753 T.223101	23.51	05.28	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.37 hrs. flying at 8,800 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good with some haze. Made two orbits before being directed to bomb. Bombed on the yellow T.I.'s and numerous bomb bursts were seen around these flares. P.F.F. late and there was no red or green T.I.'s. If P.F.F. were accurate, this should be a successful raid. Little opposition and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.375
22/23rd MAY	HALIFAX III "H" LV.998	CAPT W/O YANIER, S. R.135332 NAV P/O LAWRENCE, J. J.23494 P/A P/O SIRVAGE, R.D. R.143800 W/O SGT ROGERS, R. J.323173 P/E SGT JAGGON, P.P. R.1864709 M/O SGT ADAM, R.J. R.135216 A/C SGT FLORENCE, J.P. R.195070	R.135332 J.23494 R.143800 J.323173 R.1864709 R.135216 R.195070	23.52	05.14	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.38 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Good visibility, some haze. Bombed yellow T.I.'s after making dummy run and being directed by Master Bomber at 02.35 hrs. on the second approach. P.F.F. late and did not see any green or red flares. Considered successful attack and A/C returned safely to base.	A.376
22/23rd MAY	HALIFAX III "G" LV.119	CAPT W/O BLISS, J.D. C.158 NAV P/O CHAFFIN, A.B. J.26588 P/A SGT BURNING, G.A. R.161349 W/O P/S PLATT, A.L. R.165169 P/E P/L WOOD, W.L.E. C.18886 M/O SGT DAVIDSON, W.C. 992091 A/C SGT DUKIN, J.E. R.163437	C.158 J.26588 R.161349 R.165169 C.18886 992091 R.163437	23.57	05.26	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.37 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good, some smoke haze. Dropped bombs on the yellow T.I.'s. at 02.32 hrs. T.I.'s well placed and seemed to be well-bombed but smoke obscured the detail. One large fire was noticed burning as we bombed. P.F.F. were late and that they been on time it is considered that it would have been a much more successful raid. Good concentration of A/C over target and no trouble encountered. A/C returned and landed safely at base.	A.377

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22/23rd MAY	HALIFAX III "Q" LW.117	CAPT F/O CROMIN, P.H. NAV F/O STEVENSON, G. B/A F/O BRUCE, W.H. W/C W/O SUTTON, G.B. F/E SGT RODGERS, G.E. W/C SGT PETERS, S.I. A/G SGT GERRIE, V.C.	J.25978 J.26657 J.28950 R.107551 R.186391 R.201896 R.208163	23.59	05.23 BOMBING LE MANS	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.38 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Good visibility. Dropped bombs on concentration of yellow T.I.'s which could be plainly seen. Bombing seemed very good and well concentrated. Master Bomber not of much help. Red flames seen at target. No congestion of A/C over target area and it is considered this was a successful raid. A/C returned and landed safely at base.	A.378
22/23rd MAY	HALIFAX III "V" LW.953	CAPT F/O BURTON, R.S. NAV W/O THORNER, G.E. B/A F/O MURRAY, D.I. W/C W/O GRANGERS, A. F/E SGT BOLLOD, J.L. W/C W/L WILLIAMS, H.H. A/G SGT REIF, S.S.	R.147766 R.161157 R.156712 R.111612 R.57895 R.45725 R.163008	23.58	05.05 BOMBING LE MANS	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.38 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility was clear with slight haze. Bombed the yellow and white T.I.'s and bombs seen to burst well within the target area. Good concentration. Markers were a bit late but were well placed when they finally did come down. One large bright red flame which lasted for a few seconds noticed after bombing. Quiet trip, should be successful raid. A/C returned safely to base.	A.379
22/23rd MAY	HALIFAX III "T" LW.910	CAPT F/O BROWN, R. NAV F/O WELLS, J.R. B/A F/O MCKENNA, V.W. W/C W/O JOHNSTON, G.H. F/E SGT BROWN, R. W/C SGT LINDSAY, H.S. A/G SGT BRADSHAW, H.V.	J.26772 J.24559 J.28361 R.108304 R.182921 R.203549 R.194626	00.01	05.16 BOMBING LE MANS	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.38 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility was clear but considerable smoke haze. Bombed on red and green T.I.'s and the target was very well lit up. Bombing was quite concentrated and should be quite successful. No congestion over target and A/C seemed to be going in on the same heading. A/C returned safely to base.	A.380
24/25th MAY	HALIFAX III "A" LW.951	CAPT F/O BARNIER, R.H. NAV F/O RAY, A.S. B/A F/O MORRISON, R.H. W/C W/O TOMLINSON, F.H. F/E SGT DAWSON, L.B. W/C F/O BRISTOL, L.L. A/G F/O GREEN, S.J.	J.23899 J.22859 J.23207 J.267302 R.180326 J.181311 J.27920	22.49	03.05 BOMBING AACHEN	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.55 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. and 171 m.p.h. Clear good visibility. Dropped bombs on red T.I.'s which were well grouped. The greens which followed were almost in the same position. Numerous bursts on and close to the T.I.'s. If P.P.S. accurate, should be an excellent raid. No congestion over the target. No trouble and crew returned safely to base.	A.381
24/25th MAY	HALIFAX III "D" LW.316	CAPT F/O HARRIS, R.A. NAV F/O GIBBS, J.L. B/A F/O GRAY, G.H. W/C SGT BURNS, J.C. F/E SGT CATLIN, R.H. W/C SGT WYRIE, A.L. A/G SGT PERINI, E.L.	J.28186 J.24792 J.28504 R.184353 R.1867791 R.202642 R.202981	22.53	03.25 BOMBING AACHEN	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.58 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Clear good visibility. Dropped bombs on the red T.I.'s and saw them burst straddling the target. P.P.S. well concentrated and if accurate should be a very successful attack. No trouble and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.382

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24/25th MAY	HALIFAX III "X" LW.939	CAPT W/O VANIER, P. NAV W/O LAWRENCE, J. W/A W/O BRYAN, R. W/O SGT ROGERS, E. W/E SGT JACOBSON, J. W/O SGT ADAM, J. W/O SGT FLORENCE, J.	R.135334 J.23494 R.143000 J.1323173 R.1364798 R.1353216 R.1353070	23.03	03.13	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.56 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good, no cloud. Used emergency drift and emergency sitting angle for dropping the bombs. Red and green T.I.'s noticed to be dropped about 15 miles E. and N. of the target presumed to be dropped by R/A/C. Attack by R/A/C which we supposedly evaded and one R/A/C accounted for. Returned safely to base.	A.383
24/25th MAY	HALIFAX III "O" LW.119	CAPT L. LOCKEY, R. NAV W/O MURDOCH, J. W/A W/O PARKER, R. W/O W/O CLARKE, J.W. W/E SGT JAMES, C.W. W/O W/O WATSON, P. W/O SGT JACOBSON, J.W. 2nd PLT W/O FALDWAR, W.	O.866286 J.20965 R.155991 R.113021 R.1604938 R.155072 R.194844 J.26781	22.52	03.04	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.56 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Industrial base but visibility good. Dropped bombs on cluster of red T.I.'s which were well grouped together. Should be a successful attack. No defences encountered and A/C returned safely to base.	A.384
24/25th MAY	HALIFAX III "O" LW.117	CAPT W/O DEBOW, E.S. NAV W/O BRADSPAW, P.E. W/A W/O MULLINS, J.P. W/O W/O MCLAREN, E.A. W/E SGT MICHAEL, E.S. W/O SGT HERTZ, E. W/O SGT BOKSING, E.	J.21418 J.12278 J.14744 R.119313 R.69344 R.219595 R.216752	22.48	03.22	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.57.20 hrs. at 17,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Clear 2/3 16th scattered cloud and visibility good. Dropped bombs between red and green T.I.'s and saw them burst on the flares. Numerous other bursts seen which were well concentrated. Some congestion over the target at time of bombing. No trouble. A/C returned safely to base.	A.385
24/25th MAY	HALIFAX III "X" LW.959	CAPT W/O CRONIN, P.E. NAV W/O SWEETMAN, D.G. W/A W/O HODGKIN, W.R. W/O W/O SUTTON, G.D. W/E SGT ROGERS, G.E. W/O SGT FLETCHER, S.L. W/O SGT DEERIE, V.E.	J.25978 J.26457 J.26950 R.107551 R.186391 R.201896 R.208163	22.54	03.51	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.55 hrs. from 17,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Slight haze, visibility good. Dropped bombs on red T.I.'s. P.P.P. were visible on time and target should be successfully attacked. Many various kinds of spoof markers dropped both to and from the target also over the red T.I.'s. A very good trip and no trouble encountered. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.386
24/25th MAY	HALIFAX III "X" LW.970	CAPT W/O MATHER, A.T. NAV W/O CRAIG, A.P. W/A W/O BENDER, D.A. W/O SGT GARTY, G. W/E SGT CARTON, H.J. W/O SGT FREEMAN, J.P. W/O W/O FAYWARD, C.P.	R.25577 R.141034 R.157430 R.134974 R.1821082 R.190068 R.112303	22.55	03.04	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.55 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Dropped bombs on which one red T.I.'s which was the first marker to go down as we were right on time and other markers were dropped at the time of bombing. Many bomb bursts seen to fall on markers. Many bombs seen going in to the target but no R/A/C encountered. Successful trip with no difficulties. A/C returned safely to base.	A.387

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24/25th MAY	HALIFAX III "Y" LW.910	CAPT F/O BROWN, E. J.24772 NAV F/O WELLS, H.H. J.24559 W/A F/O MCHUGH, J.W. J.28361 W/O W/O JOHNSON, J.L. R.10839 F/S SGT BROWN, H. R.28321 W/O SGT LINDSAY, H.G. R.29399 A/C SGT BRANCH, R.J. R.194624	J.24772 J.24559 J.28361 R.10839 R.28321 R.29399 R.194624	22.56	03.39	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.58 hrs. from 17,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good. Dropped bombs on the red T.I.'s and many bomb bursts seen falling across the markers. Very successful trip in every way. A/C returned safely to base.	A.388
24/25th MAY	HALIFAX III "J" LW.131	CAPT F/O TIDY, M.R. J.25833 NAV F/O HUGHES, P.R. J.25738 W/A F/O WHITEHEAD, D.S. J.20041 W/O W/O CAMPBELL, R.C. R.111857 F/S SGT WATSON, T.J. R.216089 A/C W/O HENRIE, D.M. R.178314	J.25833 J.25738 J.20041 R.111857 R.216089 R.178314	22.36	03.07	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.55 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good with some broken clouds. Dropped bombs in the centre of the red T.I.'s and saw many bomb bursts in the area. Fairly large explosion at 00.56 hrs. in conjunction over the target. Some S/L which cooled us for a short period. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.389
24/25th MAY	HALIFAX III "P" LW.113	CAPT F/S KIRBY, H.A. R.152719 NAV W/O VANCE, E. CAN.1432 W/A F/O BRUMMOND-HAY, G.J. J.24019 W/O SGT TAYLOR, R.W. R.141347 F/S SGT CAIRN, P.S. R.1800910 W/O SGT SUGGERS, J.W. R.210110 A/C SGT SHIDES, E.A. R.165420	R.152719 CAN.1432 J.24019 R.141347 R.1800910 R.210110 R.165420	22.47	03.09	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.56 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Bombed on the red T.I. the only one that was down at the time. Many bomb bursts seen in the vicinity. T.I.'s were right on time and it is felt this was a successful raid. Many bombs seen on the trip both in and from the target but no difficulties encountered by them. At 23.47 hrs. from 16,000 ft. at position 53.28N. and 01.12E. some heavy explosions seen to occur which lit up the clouds. They are presumed to be from a service vessel engagement and at 23.54 hrs. at position 53.10N. and 01.50E. three ships seen on H2S. Good trip and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.390
24/25th MAY	HALIFAX III "L" LW.169	CAPT F/O JOHNSON, G.W. J.27956 NAV F/O POLLOCK, E.W. J.27421 W/A F/O DICKINSON, H.H. J.28468 W/O SGT PATTERSON, J.B. R.174844 F/S SGT DAVIES, T. R.1656202 W/O SGT ISAAC, G.H. R.166383 A/C SGT JOYSON, F.R. R.172875	J.27956 J.27421 J.28468 R.174844 R.1656202 R.166383 R.172875	22.42	03.22	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.59 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility slightly hazy. Dropped bombs on the last group of red T.I.'s which were well placed and it was felt that the attack was very successful. Evasive action was taken twice on "Disbond" indications. No other defences encountered. Good trip. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.391
24/25th MAY	HALIFAX III "P" LW.319	CAPT F/O PARTRIDGE, J. J.25890 NAV F/O HENNES, L.C. J.26947 W/A SGT KIRSTIUK, W. R.151143 W/O SGT HUMPHREY, E.A. R.148875 F/S SGT BRYDEN, A.L. R.1862030 W/O SGT PATON, J.M. R.207681 A/C SGT SOMERTON, A.R. R.224630	J.25890 J.26947 R.151143 R.148875 R.1862030 R.207681 R.224630	22.54	03.27	This A/C carrying 18 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.57 hrs. from 17,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Clear; good visibility. Bombed on the centre of the green T.I.'s as reds had faded by the time of bombing. Several large explosions around flares and own bursts seen in the vicinity. Attack well concentrated and it is felt very successful. Considerable anti-aircraft opposition at the target but no particular trouble encountered and A/C returned safely to base.	A.392

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24/24th MAY	HALIFAX III "S" LW.157	CAPT P/O DOLTER, H.W. NAV P/O WILSON, G.A. W/O SGT WILSON, H.A. W/O W/O KELLIE, J. W/O SGT BROWN, M. W/O SGT ALMOND, J.N. A/C SGT WILSON, H.W.	J.19999 R.156060 R.166429 R.110948 R.209127 R.200858 R.203356	22.51	03.36	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.56 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Broken Strata cloud, visibility good. Dropped bombs on the red T.I.'s which were down at 00.52 hrs. 5 markers very clear and numerous well concentrated bomb bursts seen in the area. If P.F.F. accurate, W/Os. should be badly damaged. Could see a large number of photoflashes right over the T.I.'s. No congestion over target but saw five A/C shot down. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.394
24/25th MAY	HALIFAX III "X" LW.121	CAPT P/O BARTON, C.G. NAV P/O CADLOVE, W.B. W/O P/O ROSA, J.R.G. W/O W/O SMITH, G.A. W/O SGT BROWN, K. W/O SGT BROWN, L.D. A/C SGT ROSS, J.M.	J.24258 R.113855 R.55023 R.100320 R.183048 R.208391 R.207163	22.58	03.18	This A/C carrying 18 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.56 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Slight haze, visibility good. Dropped bombs on the red target indicator and saw bombs straddle this marker. P.F.F. well concentrated and several fires starting. It is felt this was a successful raid. No trouble encountered of any kind. A/C returned safely to base.	A.395
26/27th MAY	HALIFAX III "A" LW.951	CAPT P/O HANNAH, H.A. NAV P/O COPE, J.L. W/O P/O GRAY, G.H. W/O SGT BROWN, J.O. W/O SGT CATLIN, R.E. W/O SGT KIRK, A.L. A/C SGT FERRIS, S.B.	J.28186 J.28702 J.28504 R.184945 R.1867791 R.202642 R.202961	23.08	02.58	This A/C carrying four "Green Gages" deposited them at position 49.41N and 01.44W at 01.26 hrs. from 15,000 ft. and 213 m.p.h. Clear good visibility. Very good trip and saw parachutes open on being dropped. A/C returned safely to base.	A.396
26/27th MAY	HALIFAX III "H" LW.998	CAPT P/O KIRK, J.C. NAV P/O RIGGS, W.E. W/O P/O PATTERSON, W.T. W/O W/O GUNN, G.A. W/O SGT McDONALD, G.M. W/O SGT BROWN, J.A. A/C SGT GILLARD, G.	T.223101 J.26655 J.28481 10601603 1824953 R.140754 R.189496	23.12	03.15	This A/C carrying 4 "Bombloms" was unsuccessful as it went 1/3.20 miles from the "Garden". Brought all four mines back to base.	A.397

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26/27th MAY	HALIFAX III "T" LV.970	CAPT W/O MATHER, A.S. NAV W/O OSAIN, A.P. P/A W/O CORDELL, D.L. W/G SGT CARRY, G. P/E SGT CARTON, H.J. W/G SGT TINDALL, J.L. A/G W/O HAYWARD, C.T.	R.95377 R.141034 R.179730 R.126974 R.181082 R.207827 R.112303	23.07	02.50 MINING	This A/C carrying four "Scallops" deposited them at position 49.29 N. and 00.00 E. at 01.17 hrs. from 8,000 ft. and 194 m.p.h. Clear good visibility with very slight haze. Good trip. No difficulties encountered and A/C returned safely to base.	A.398
26/27th MAY	HALIFAX III "T" LV.113	CAPT F/O JOHNSON, G.W. NAV F/O POLLOCK, H.W. P/A F/O DICKINSON, J.B. W/G SGT PATERSON, J.B. P/E SGT DAVIES, T.L. W/G SGT ISLAC, G.H. A/G SGT JOYSON, F.R.	J.27956 J.27421 J.28488 R.174844 R.166202 R.156383 R.172875	23.09	03.02 MINING	This A/C carrying four "Green Gages" deposited them at position 49.41 N. and 01.36 W. at 01.19 hrs. from 15,000 ft. and 211 m.p.h. Clear good visibility. Good trip and parachutes seen to open. No defences and A/C returned safely to base.	A.399
26/27th MAY	HALIFAX III "T" LV.121	CAPT F/L HAMILTON, R.C. NAV F/O MACDONALD, D. P/A F/O MACDONALD, R. W/G W/O FALLET, G.C. P/E SGT COUSINS, W.L. W/G SGT CONNELLY, D. A/G F/O CARTON, G.H.	J.11556 J.21223 R.156217 R.141179 R.201368 R.210069 R.124448	23.06	02.51 MINING	This A/C carrying four "Scallops" deposited them at position 49.29 N. and 00.01 E. at 01.17 hrs. from 8,000 ft. at 195 m.p.h. Clear good visibility with slight general haze. Good trip and perfect run in. Successful mission. No defences. A/C returned safely to base.	A.400
26/27th MAY	HALIFAX III "C" LV.119	CAPT F/O PARTRIDGE, J. NAV F/O HUBBS, L.A. P/A SGT KIRSTEIN, W. W/G SGT HUBBS, J.A. P/E SGT BRIDEN, A.L. W/G SGT FALCON, J.L. A/G SGT SCOTTION, A.R.	J.25850 J.26927 R.151143 R.134875 R.1862030 R.207881 R.222819	23.10	02.55 MINING	This A/C carrying four "Scallops" deposited them at position 49.29 N. and 00.00 E. at 01.17 hrs. from 8,000 ft. and 196 m.p.h. Clear good visibility. Very good trip. Successful mission. A/C returned safely to base.	A.401
27/28th MAY	HALIFAX III "A" LV.951	CAPT F/L LINDOIN, M.C. NAV W/O HALL, R.E. P/A F/O WADSON, R.E. W/G SGT WOODMAN, A.B. P/E SGT ROBERTSON, H. W/G SGT CORDELL, R.E. 2nd FLT F/O DUNDAS, J.C.	J.3946 R.149095 R.159065 R.132763 R.251687 R.195727 J.25964	23.50	05.22 BOMBING BOMBING LIEFOLD	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.07 hrs. flying at 11,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Clear good visibility. Dropped bombs on the centre of the yellow T.I. as instructed by Master Bomber. Bombs were well concentrated on markers. T.I. good and Master Bomber of great help. Bombs and fires covered target area at 02.15 hrs. and a large instant explosion with orange flame seen which lasted approximately 15 seconds. Some congestion over the target at time of bombing but A/C headings were good. If T.I. accurate should be very successful said. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.402
27/28th MAY	HALIFAX III "C" LV.161	CAPT F/O HANNAH, R.A. NAV F/O CORDELL, J.L. P/A F/O GRAY, G.H. W/G SGT HUBBS, J.C. P/E SGT CARLIN, R.E. W/G SGT RIFE, A.L. A/G SGT FRITH, E.R.	J.28186 J.28702 J.28804 R.184353 R.1867791 R.202642 R.202981	23.47	04.50 BOMBING BOMBING LIEFOLD	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.05 hrs. flying at 11,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Clear good visibility. Dropped bombs on the yellow T.I. as instructed. Bombing was well concentrated on these markers and T.I. and Master Bomber were of great help. Attack should be very successful. No trouble encountered and A/C returned safely to base.	A.403

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27/28th MAY	HALIFAX III "W" LW.113	CAPT F/S KIRBY, R.A. R.155719 MAY W/O VANBRUCK, T. CAP.4832 F/A F/O DRUMMOND-HAY, C. J.24019 W/O SGT BARRY, R.H. 1.11.587 F/E SGT CAINE, F.S. 1800516 W/O SGT CHIVERS, J.W. R.210110 A/G SGT SMITH, E.A. R.165420	BOOMBING BOURG LEOPOLD	23.48	05.20	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.08 hrs. flying at 11,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Some haze but visibility good. Dropped bombs on yellow T.I.'s as instructed by Master Bomber and all bombing was well concentrated and all around these flames. Very good effort and target should be wiped out. If T.I.'s were accurate. No trouble encountered and A/C returned safely to base.	A.404
27/28th MAY	HALIFAX III "W" LW.961	CAPT F/O BAUTIER, R.H. J.23809 MAY F/O MAY, A.E. J.22659 F/A F/O MORRISON, J.H. J.23207 W/O W/O BOWLING, W.H. R.67306 F/E SGT DUNN, L.S. 180526 W/O F/O WELSH, M.L. 1.18.11 A/G F/O QUINN, S.J. J.27920	BOOMBING BOURG LEOPOLD	23.50	05.17	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.08 hrs. flying at 11,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good, some haze. Dropped bombs on the centre of the red T.I.'s. Plenty of bomb bursts well concentrated on the markers and smoke and fires covered the target area. Very good trip and should be quite successful. No defences encountered and A/C returned safely to base.	A.405
27/28th MAY	HALIFAX III "W" LW.123	CAPT W/O VANCE, R. J.13533 MAY F/O LAWRENCE, W.J. J.23494 F/A F/O SWEENEY, R.D. R.143800 W/O SGT ROGERS, R. 1323173 F/E SGT JACKSON, F.R. 1864789 W/O SGT ADAM, J.R. R.139216 A/G SGT FLEMING, J.F. R.195070	BOOMBING BOURG LEOPOLD	23.50	05.18	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.11 hrs. flying at 11,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good with slight haze. Dropped bombs to the port of the white T.I.'s as instructed by Master Bomber. Saw a small explosion probably a munition dump as we came into target. Should be a very good effort as attack was well concentrated and no congestion at time of bombing. A/C returned safely to base.	A.406
27/28th MAY	HALIFAX III "W" LW.339	CAPT F/O PARTRIDGE, J. J.25860 MAY F/O HEDDER, L.S. J.20927 F/A SGT KIRSTINE, R. J.151113 W/O SGT BURFORD, R.A. 1381875 F/E SGT BRYDEN, A.A. 1860090 W/O SGT PATON, J. R.207880 A/G SGT SCOTTION, A.L. R.223819	BOOMBING BOURG LEOPOLD	23.53	05.20	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.06 hrs. flying at 11,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good with some haze. Dropped bombs on cluster of yellow T.I.'s as instructed by Master Bomber. The whole target area was covered by numerous fires and plenty of smoke. Many explosions seen in the target area. This effort is considered to be successful as the target was well marked and Master Bomber of great help. No defences encountered and A/C returned safely to base.	A.407
27/28th MAY	HALIFAX III "W" LW.959	CAPT F/O GROMIN, F.E. J.25978 MAY F/O SEVENSON, D.G. J.26657 F/A F/O BRUCE, W.R. J.28950 W/O W/O BUTCH, G.D. R.107591 F/E SGT ROGERS, G.S. 1896391 W/O SGT PETERS, S.L. R.201896 A/G SGT GERRIE, V.C. R.208261	BOOMBING BOURG LEOPOLD	00.16	05.30	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.08 hrs. flying at 11,500 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Dropped bombs on the white T.I.'s as instructed by Master Bomber. Target was well bombed, fires were burning and smoke covered the entire area. It is felt this is a very successful attack as the whole target seemed to have been well attacked. No defences encountered and A/C returned safely to base.	A.408

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27/28th MAY	HALIFAX III "V" LV. 953	CAPT S/O FALLISWAX, W. NAV S/O McDONALD, J.D. W/O SGT FLINCH, W.D. W/O SGT KLETT, E. W/O SGT ALKADUR, E.R. W/O SGT GELING, E.D. A/C SGT SHREANE, C.D.	J. 26781 J. 28191 R. 121686 R. 192041 R. 182302 R. 221047 R. 196070	23.55	04.38	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.09 hrs. flying at 11,500 ft. and 175 m.p.h. Bombed bear red T.I.'s as Master Bomber had instructed us to bomb to the port of the white T.I.'s as yellow markers were burning out. Bombing good and well concentrated. Several explosions seen at 02.07 hrs. P.P.S. good and Master Bomber a great help. Should be a very great effort as it was a well concentrated attack. No defences and A/C returned safely to base.	A. 409
27/28th MAY	HALIFAX III "B" LV. 113	CAPT S/O BALLETT, E. NAV S/O ERWIN, E.A. W/O S/O SWEATMAN, E.D. W/O S/O WATKINS, W.G. W/O SGT HILL, E. W/O SGT FROST, C.F. A/C S/O POITA, V. 2nd FLT S/O ELLIOTT, W.D.	J. 6186 J. 11212 R. 120655 R. 92227 R. 194501 R. 190568 R. 165480 J. 25834	23.15	04.15	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs failed to return but it is assumed that the bomb load was dropped on the target area.	A. 410
27/28th MAY	HALIFAX III "D" LV. 516	PLT/O KERS, J.C. CAPT S/O RILES, E.E. NAV S/O PATTERSON, W.E. W/O S/O GUNN, G.A. W/O SGT RODGERS, J.L. W/O SGT HENDERSON, E. A/C SGT GILLARD, J.	J. 22301 J. 26555 J. 26881 J. 1661605 R. 182455 R. 170754 R. 169456	23.49	05.11	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.07 hrs. flying at 11,500 ft. at 170 m.p.h. Visibility was very good. Dropped bombs on the yellow T.I.'s and the whole area was well illuminated when we arrived over the target. Large number of bombs seen to fall on markers which were well concentrated. One large explosion seen at 02.05 hrs. to the right hand side of the target area. Very few bombs seen to fall wide of the markers. Master Bomber of great assistance. One 500 lb. bomb brought back to base due to hang up. Many enemy fighters encountered and two definitely shot down by Sgt. Henderson. Approximately twelve to fourteen attacks encountered throughout the journey. It is felt this should be a very successful raid. A/C returned safely to base.	A. 411
27th/28th MAY	HALIFAX III "J" LV. 131	CAPT S/O JOHNSON, E.W. NAV S/O POLLITT, E.W. W/O S/O HUGHES, R.H. W/O SGT PATTERSON, J.M. W/O SGT DAVIS, T. A/C SGT ISLAD, G.H. A/C SGT JOYNSON, F.E.	J. 27956 J. 27421 J. 26468 R. 174844 R. 165202 R. 166383 R. 172675	23.46	05.11	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.07 hrs. flying at 11,500 ft. and 175 m.p.h. Clear good visibility with slight haze. Dropped bombs on cluster of yellow T.I.'s as instructed by Master Bomber. Bombing was well concentrated around and around markers and many fires and bomb bursts seen through smoke and dust which covered the target. Many fighters and fighter flares seen all around the road back to the English Coast. It is felt this was an exceptionally successful raid. A/C returned safely to base.	A. 412
27/28th MAY	HALIFAX III "I" LV. 170	CAPT S/O HAMILTON, E.F. NAV S/O CHAPMAN, A.D. W/O S/O SMITH, R.V. W/O S/O THOMSON, W.D. W/O SGT MCKEITHEN, W. W/O SGT MYLCHREEST, W. A/C SGT POWER, J.R.	J. 16121 J. 24548 J. 20914 R. 130883 R. 182486 R. 214600 R. 187753	23.56	05.02	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 02.07 hrs. flying at 11,500 ft. and 180 m.p.h. Visibility fair due to haze. Bombed on the white T.I.'s at 02.07 hrs. yellow markers were hidden by smoke but bombing was excellent and good concentration of bombs all over target area. One large explosion seen at 02.08 hrs. with a sheet of orange flame and plenty of black smoke rising. Considered a very successful trip. No trouble encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A. 413

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27/28 MAY	HALIFAX III "O" LW.119	CAPT W/O MATHER A. NAV W/O CHAIN A. P/A W/O CORDELL D. W/G SGT CAREY G. P/E SGT CATION H. M/G SGT TISDALE J. A/G W/O HAYWARD C.	R.95377 R.141034 R.157430 R.126374 R.1821082 R.207827 R.112303	23:52	04:26 BOMBING BOURG LEZ POUL	This a/c carrying 16 x 500 lb bombs arrived over the target at 02:06 hrs flying at 11,500 ft and 171 m.p.h. Visibility good with slight haze. Dropped bombs on the yellow T.I.'s which were well concentrated. Master Bomber was a great help and his instructions were well carried out. Very good trip and should be a successful raid. No defences encountered and a/c returned safely to base.	A.414
27/28 MAY	HALIFAX III "Q" LW.117	CAPT P/O DEBOW E. NAV P/O BRADSHAW F. P/A P/O NEILANS J. W/G W/O MCLAREN E. P/E SGT SCHWITZ M. M/G SGT HERRIN R. A/G SGT DOUGLAS H.	J.21418 J.12278 J.14744 R.119313 R.1621305 R.219995 R.216752	23:55	05:24 BOMBING BOURG LEZ POUL	This a/c carrying 16 x 500 lb bombs arrived over the target at 02:06 hrs flying at 11,500 ft and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good. Dropped bombs on yellow T.I.'s as instructed by Master Bomber. Bombing was very concentrated and smoke and fires covered the entire target area. Good trip, no defences encountered and it is felt this should be a very successful raid. A/c returned safely to base.	A.415
27/28 MAY	HALIFAX III "U" LW.991	CAPT P/O BARTON G. NAV P/S CADLOFF J. P/A P/S ROSS J.R. W/G W/O SMITH G.A. P/E SGT RONE K. M/G SGT BROWN L. A/G SGT ROSS J.R.	J.24258 R.133855 R.55023 R.100320 138035 R.208391 R.207165	23:59	04:51 BOMBING BOURG LEZ POUL	This a/c carrying 16 x 500 lb bombs arrived over the target at 02:08 hrs. Flying at 11,500 ft and 175 m.p.h. Visibility slightly hazy. Dropped bombs on the yellow T.I.'s as instructed by Master Bomber. Very smoky but bombing seemed to be well concentrated. Fires burning well and smoke covered the whole of the target. It is felt this should be a very successful raid. No defences encountered and a/c returned safely to base.	A.416
27/28 MAY	HALIFAX III "Y" LW.910	CAPT P/O BROWN E. NAV P/O WELLES H. P/A P/O MCGHEE V. W/G W/O JOHNSTON G. P/E SGT BROWN H. M/G SGT LINDSAY K. A/G SGT BRADSHAW H.	J.24772 J.24599 J.28361 R.100304 R.182221 R.203549 R.194624	23:51	03:34 BOMBING BOURG LEZ POUL	This a/c carrying 16 x 500 lb bombs arrived over the target at 02:04 hrs flying at 11,500 ft and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good but hazy. Dropped bombs on the centre of the red T.I.'s. Bombing seemed very effective and concentrated. Fires burning well and smoke covered the whole of the target area. No objection over the target and this is considered to be a very successful raid. No defences encountered and a/c returned safely to base.	A.417
27/28 MAY	HALIFAX III "X" LW.121	CAPT P/L HAMILTON P. NAV P/O McDONALD D. P/A P/S McDONALD R. W/G W/O PALLET G. P/E SGT COUSINS W. M/G SGT CORNELIUS C. A/G P/S CORPENTON G. 2ND PLT P/O CRAIG G.	J.11556 J.24223 R.156217 R.141179 2201360 R.210069 R.124448 J.18420	23:54	04:23 BOMBING BOURG LEZ POUL	This a/c carrying 16 x 500 lb bombs arrived over the target at 02:04 hrs flying at 11,500 ft and 175 m.p.h. Visibility good, some low haze. Dropped bombs on the yellow T.I.'s as instructed by Master Bomber, bombing very well concentrated and T.I.'s very good. Master Bomber a great help. Considered to be a very successful raid. Good trip throughout and no defences encountered. A/c returned safely to base.	A.418
31ST MAY	HALIFAX III "A" LW.951	CAPT P/L LOUDOUN N. NAV W/O HALL R. P/A P/S WADSWAN A. W/G SGT THOMPSON H. M/G SGT CORBETT R. A/G SGT DOUGLAS R. 2ND PLT P/O BROWN D.	J.0946 R.149095 R.155965 R.135783 R.19727 R.164254 J.23769	21:54	02:04 BOMBING AN FEVERS	This a/c carrying 16 x 500 lb bombs arrived over the target at 00:15 hrs from 8,800 ft and 170 m.p.h. Visibility clear over the target. Dropped bombs on the largest of the 3 clusters of red T.I.'s. Bombing seemed very accurate, right on or just to the port of the markers. Most of it was close to the largest cluster of markers. Good trip outside of weather which was extremely stormy. Crew brought a/c safely back to base.	A.419

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31st MAY	HALIFAX III "G" LW. 961	CAPT F/O JOHNSON, G.W. J.27956 NAV F/O POLLITT, E.W. J.27421 W/A F/O DICKINSON, E. J.23588 W/G SGT PATTERSON, J.B. R.174844 F/E SGT BROMLEY, R.J. 1870630 I/G SGT ISAAC, G.H. R.166383 A/G SGT JOYSON, F.E. R.172875		22.00	02.20 BOMBING AU FEVRE	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.16 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good over the target. Dropped bombs on the centre of the red T.I.'s which were well concentrated and all bombs being dropped in their vicinity. Interference from static electricity due to electrical storms otherwise good trip. Target seemed to be well bombed and A/C returned safely to base.	A.420
31st MAY	HALIFAX III "J" LW. 131	CAPT F/O SHERWOOD, M.G. J.23409 NAV W/O FORGRAVE, R.A. R.148415 W/A F/O SPACKMAN, G.L. J.23988 W/G W/O ARNOLD, R.F. R.76423 F/E SGT MICHAEL, F.E. R.60144 I/G SGT GARDNER, D.T. R.191153 A/G S/W WILK, G.D. R.76462 2nd FLW F/O FATHEN, L.W. J.25636		21.53	02.06 BOMBING QU FEVRE	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.16 hrs. flying at 8,800 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility clear over the target. Dropped bombs on the red T.I.'s. All bombing seen was either right on the markers or around them. Heavy concentration of A/C over the target. Three Halifax A/C seen bombing in formation directly ahead of us and other A/C all around us. No trouble outside of electrical storms. A/C returned safely to base.	A.421
31st MAY	HALIFAX III "M" LW. 998	CAPT W/O VANCE, B. R.135334 NAV F/O LAWRENCE, W. J.23494 W/A F/S SIVVAGE, R.D. R.143800 W/G SGT BOWERS, R. 1323173 F/E SGT JACKSON, F.R. 1864789 I/G SGT ADAM, J.H. R.135216 A/G SGT FLORENCE, J. R.195070		21.57	01.55 BOMBING AU FEVRE	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.19 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good over target area. Dropped bombs on red T.I.'s around which bombing was very concentrated. One small explosion seen North of flares at 00.15 hrs. Was over target at 00.16 hrs. but due to congestion made an orbit and bombed on the 2nd time around. Considered successful raid. A/C returned safely to base.	A.422
31st MAY	HALIFAX III "X" LW. 121	CAPT F/O PALIDWAR, W. J.26781 NAV F/O McDONALD, W.O. J.23191 W/A SGT FLISHKA, W.H. R.121606 W/G SGT HART, E. R.192041 F/E SGT ALEXANDER, G. 1823002 I/G SGT GELINAS, R.J. R.221057 A/G SGT REHAUSE, O.B. R.196070		21.49	02.29 BOMBING AU FEVRE	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.19 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Dropped bombs on the centre of the red T.I.'s which seemed to be perfectly placed. Target very well marked and considered to be a successful raid. No defences encountered and A/C returned safely to base.	A.423
31st MAY	HALIFAX III "Q" LW. 117	CAPT F/O DESOW, R.S. J.21418 NAV F/O BRADSHAW, F.B. J.12278 W/A F/O NEILANS, J.F. J.14744 W/G W/O McLAREN, R.A. R.11931 F/E SGT SCHOFIELD, N. 1621305 I/G SGT HEATZ, E. R.219595 A/G SGT BOSHELL, R. R.218752		22.06	02.56 BOMBING AU FEVRE	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.22 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. and 170 m.p.h. Visibility fair. Dropped bombs on the centre of red T.I.'s which were well concentrated and bombs seen bursting across flares. Good trip but compass seemed affected by lightning. Successful raid and A/C returned safely to base.	A.424
31st MAY	HALIFAX III "U" LW. 991	CAPT W/O BLAKE, J.D. G.198 NAV F/O CHAMBERLAIN, A.D. R.24548 W/A SGT KUNNING, G.A. R.161249 W/G F/S FLAHERTY, A.H. R.165189 F/E F/L WOOD, W.M.B. G.18836 I/G SGT DAVIDSON, W.C. 992091 A/G SGT DUKIN, J.R. R.163437		22.08	02.01 BOMBING	This A/C carrying 16 x 500 lb. bombs arrived over the target at 00.16 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. and 165 m.p.h. Visibility good. Dropped bombs on centre of red T.I.'s. Bombing was very well concentrated across the target indicators which were well placed. If the F.P.F. accurate this should be successful raid. No defences encountered except electrical storms.	A.425

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FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 1944

DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
31 MAY	HALIFAX III "Y" LV.910	CAPT P/O BROWN R. NAV P/O MILLER H. P/A P/O MCKEIGHT V. W/O W.D. JOHNSON G. P/S SGT BROWN H. W/O SGT LINDSAY H.S. W/O SGT BRANCH H.	J.24772 J.24559 J.28361 R.108304 R.1822921 R.203549 R.194624	22:07	02:53	This a/c carrying 18 x 500 lb bombs arrived over the target at 00:18 hrs flying at 9,000 ft and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good over the target area. Dropped bombs on concentration of red T.I.'s which were well concentrated and all the bombing was well in the target area. 3 x 500 lb bombs hung up and were brought back to base. No congestion over target and it is felt that this raid should be quite successful. A/C returned safely to base.	A.426
31 MAY	HALIFAX III "L" LW.169	CAPT P/O BARNIER R. NAV P/O MAY A.E. P/A P/O MORRISON J. W/O W.D. MILLERSON W. P/S SGT DAWSON L.B. W/O P/O MELSTROM H. W/O P/O QUEEN S.J. 2ND PILOT P/O DUNDAS J.C.	J.23899 J.22827 J.23207 R.67502 R.1803226 J.184414 J.27920 J.25564	21:52	02:15	This a/c carrying 16 x 500 lb bombs arrived over the target at 00:17 hrs flying at 9,000 ft and 170 m.p.h. Visibility good over the target. Bombed on cluster of red T.I.'s. Bombing was well concentrated and bomb bursts seen across the markers. Should be a very successful raid. Weather not good due to electrical storms. A/C returned safely to base.	A.427
31 MAY	HALIFAX III "D" EX.516	CAPT P/O KEYS J.G. NAV P/O RIGGS W.B. P/A P/O FARRISON W. W/O W/S GUNSTON A. P/S SGT McDONALD C. W/O SGT EMMERICH F. W/O SGT GILLARDERS G.	T.223101 J.26655 J.28881 R.10601603 R.1824953 R.140754 R.189496	22:55	02:49	This a/c arriving over the target at 00:19 hrs, flying at 8,800 ft and 170 m.p.h. was carrying 16 x 500 lb bombs. Good visibility over the target area. Dropped bombs just left of the centre of a cluster of T.I.'s and all were seen to burst. Other bombs seen to burst right on the markers. No defences encountered. Good time outside of violent electrical storms. Crew brought a/c safely back to base.	A.428
31 MAY	HALIFAX III "P" LW.113	CAPT P/O KIRBY R. NAV W/O VANDRUCK T. P/A P/O DRISCOLL-HAY W/O SGT PARRY R. P/S SGT CAITH P.S. W/O SGT CHUBBS J. W/O SGT SINDER R.A. 2ND PILOT SGT SAMP R.S.	R.153719 QANC 4832 J.24019 1411367 1800910 R.210110 R.165420 R.187242	21:50	02:37	This a/c carrying 16 x 500 lb bombs arrived over the target at 00:15 hrs flying at 9,000 ft and 170 m.p.h. Visibility clear over the target. Dropped bombs on concentration of red T.I.'s. Bombing was very good and right on or around the target. Considered to be a very successful effort. No defences encountered outside of electrical storms from base to Channel. A/C returned safely to base.	A.429
31 MAY	HALIFAX III "O" LW.164	CAPT P/O HANNAH R. NAV P/O COPE J.L. P/A P/O GRAY G.H. W/O SGT BURNS J.C. P/S SGT CATLIN R.H. W/O SGT RIRLE A.L. W/O SGT PERINI S.E.	J.28186 J.26702 J.28504 R.184353 1867791 R.202642 R.202961	21:56	02:00	This a/c carrying 16 x 500 lb bombs arrived over the target at 00:15 hrs flying at 9,000 ft and 170 m.p.h. Visibility clear over the target. Dropped bombs between 2 red T.I.'s. Bombing seemed quite accurate as most sticks were seen at the markers bursting. A large yellow explosion seen at 00:15 hrs. Good effort and considered successful. No defences encountered with the exception of violent electrical storms. A/C returned safely to base.	A.430

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				Up	Down		
31 MAY	HALIFAX III "E" HX.319	CAPT F/O PARKER J. J.25850 NAV F/O HUGHES L. J.26927 B/A SGT KIRSTIN W. R.151143 W/G SGT BURNFORD S.A. 1381875 F/E SGT BRIDGES A.L. 1862030 W/G SGT PATON J. R.207801 A/G SGT SCORRION A. R.223019	J.25850 J.26927 R.151143 1381875 1862030 R.207801 R.223019	22:05	01:57	This a/c carrying 16 x 500 lb bombs arrived over the target at 00:15 hrs flying at 9,000 ft and 170 m.p.h. Visibility clear over the target. Dropped bombs on the centre of red T.I.'s which seemed to be well concentrated. Many bombs seen to burst in the target area. One 500 lb bomb hung up and was brought back to base. Ran into electrical storms which threw a/c around quite considerably. Considered a successful trip and a/c returns safely to base.	A.431
31 MAY	HALIFAX III "R" LV.959	CAPT F/O GORDON P. J.25978 NAV F/O SEVENSON D. J.26657 B/A F/O BRUGGER W. J.28950 W/G F/L KERR D. J.17500 F/E SGT ROGERS G.S. 1896391 W/G SGT FIDERS S.L. R.201896 A/G SGT GERRIE V.C. R.203167	J.25978 J.26657 J.28950 J.17500 1896391 R.201896 R.203167	22:07	02:11	This a/c carrying 16 x 500 lb bombs arrived over the target at 00:19 hrs flying at 9,000 ft and 170 m.p.h. Visibility clear over target area. Dropped bombs on a single red T.I. Some of the flares seemed to go out very quickly and presumed to have been dropped in the water. No defences encountered outside of electrical storms. Crew brought a/c back safely to base.	A.432
31 MAY	HALIFAX III "W" LW.194	CAPT F/O BARTON C.G. J.24258 NAV F/S CADLOFF J. R.135855 B/A F/S ROSA J.R. R.250823 W/G W/O SMITH G.A. R.100320 F/E SGT ROSE K. 1350835 W/G SGT BROWN L.D. R.200391 A/G SGT ROSS J.M. R.207165	J.24258 R.135855 R.250823 R.100320 1350835 R.200391 R.207165	21:58	02:09	This a/c carrying 16 x 500 lb bombs arrived over the target at 00:19 hrs flying 9,000 ft and 170 m.p.h. Visibility clear over target area. Dropped bombs on a single red T.I. Some of the flares dropped in the sea but bombing seemed fairly accurate on the ground. "Good" went u/s and H2S "Fishpond" u/s part of the time. No defences outside of electrical storms. Considered a good effort and should be quite successful. A/c returned safely to base.	A.433
31 MAY	HALIFAX III "V" LV.953	CAPT W/O HAYTER A.T. R.25377 NAV W/O GRAY A.T. R.141034 B/A W/O GORDON D.A. R.157430 W/G SGT CANNY G. 1126974 F/S SGT WATSON H.J. 1821062 W/G SGT TIDEMILE J. R.207827 A/G W/O HAYWARD C.T. R.112303 2ND PILOT F/O CRAIG G.L. J.18420	R.25377 R.141034 R.157430 1126974 1821062 R.207827 R.112303 J.18420	21:59	02:03	This a/c carrying 16 x 500 lb bombs arrived over the target flying at 9,000 ft and 170 m.p.h. Visibility clear over the target. Dropped bombs on centre of red T.I.'s which were well concentrated and bombs were seen bursting in vicinity. Seemed like a very good trip. No defences of any kind and a/c returned safely to base.	A.434

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