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FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1944

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
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6th SEPT/44.	OPERATION NO. 99 - BOMBING BOMBEN		Bomb Load -	A/C "A", "J", "D", "M", "H", "L", "3", "4", "W", "U", "R", "W",		carried 1 x 2000 lb. bomb, 6 clusters (500 lb. ea.) and 48 x 30 lb. incendiaries.	I - 1.
				A/C "T" and "B" carried 1 x 2000 lb. bomb and 48 x 30 lb. incendiaries.			
				A/C "G" - carried 1 x 2000 lb. bomb and 6 clusters (500 lb. ea.) incendiaries.			
6th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "A" ML 814	CAPT W/O ROY, G.A. & CREW 2nd Plt P/O KING, J.L.	C.1362 J.25379	15.50	20.39	This A/C arrived over target at 18.28 hrs. flying at 16,200 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on centre of concentration of red T.I.'s. Bombs seen to burst slightly to starboard of markers. Marking good. Too early to see results but on leaving target fires were burning well. Target should be well bombed. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1105
6th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "B" ML 813	CAPT P/O LEPPENWILL, E.R. & CREW	J.16317	16.06	20.32	This A/C arrived over target at 18.29 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. Visibility good. Fires were beginning to take hold. Whole area covered in smoke. Large explosion seen at 18.29 hrs. Good trip and target should be wiped out. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1106
6th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "G" ML 802	CAPT P/L ANDERSON, W.G. & CREW	J.4428	16.07	20.46	This A/C arrived over target at 18.30 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on most Easterly red T.I. Bombing seemed to be in Easterly part of City marking in good grouping. Smoke covered whole target as we left area and could be seen for 50 miles. Very good trip. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1107
6th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "H" ML 998	CAPT P/O HAMTHORN, G.E. & CREW	J.86925	15.51	21.11	This A/C arrived over target at 18.30 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. Mostly good bombing although smoke covered centre target area. Seemed like an excellent effort. 8 x 30 lb. incendiaries hung up and were brought back. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1108
6th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "L" ML 902	CAPT P/O BROWN, D.R. & CREW 2nd Plt P/O STALLERCKE, J.	J.25969 J.13402	16.01	20.39	This A/C arrived over target at 18.28 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. Fires burning all over City. Centre of target covered with smoke and fire. Large explosion in centre of town. Whole area covered in smoke. Good trip. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1109

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6TH SEP 2/44	HALIFAX III "G" ML 896	CAPT F/O LARSON, L. & CREW.	J.85239	16.21	20.33	This A/C arrived over target at 18.29 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. Visibility good. Master Bomber instructed to bomb Easterly red T.I.'s. P.F.F. marking very good. Not many fires when we bombed. A very good attack. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1110
6TH SEP 2/44	HALIFAX III "U" LV 991	CAPT F/O CRAIG, G.L. & CREW. 2nd FLT F/O MACKIE, A.M.	J.18420 J.88245	16.25	20.51	This A/C arrived over target at 18.30 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. Bombing well concentrated in centre of town. A very good attack. 4 x 50 lb. incendiaries hung up and were brought back. No difficulties encountered, fighter escort were right on hand. Crew landed safely at base.	A.1111
6TH SEP 2/44	HALIFAX III "G" ML 194	CAPT F/O BARTON, G.G. & CREW	J.24258	16.13	20.26	This A/C arrived over target at 18.31 hrs. flying at 17,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on centre of red and green T.I.'s. Bombing was good and fires were beginning to take hold all over town - much smoke in centre of town. Good trip and considered good risk. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1112
6TH SEP 2/44	HALIFAX III "U" LV 164	CAPT SGT LONG, J.P. & CREW 2nd FLT F/O BARNES, S.D.	R.176026 J.27679	16.09	21.10	This A/C arrived over target at 18.30 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed visually on the centre of City. All bombing was seen well on the target. Thick smoke over target on leaving. Best attack yet. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1113
6TH SEP 2/44	HALIFAX III "D" ML 516	CAPT F/O BONAR, W.G. & CREW.	J.86939	16.04	20.47	This A/C arrived over target at 18.34 hrs. flying at 16,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on green T.I.'s as per instructions of Master Bomber. Nearly complete town covered in smoke with numerous small fires. One large fire to North of target and markers well concentrated. Good effort. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1114
6TH SEP 2/44	HALIFAX III "G" ML 897	CAPT F/O PEARSON, P.G. & CREW.	J.87605	16.08	20.37	This A/C arrived over target at 18.32 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed centre of City as per Master Bomber's instructions. Bombing well concentrated and target sprinkled with fires and covered with smoke. Smoke seen 115 miles away. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1115

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6TH SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "E" ML 519	CAPT F/O WRIGHT, L.W. & CREW	J.25937	16.17	21.02	This A/C arrived over target at 18.31 hrs. flying at 17,600 ft. Visibility good. Bombed visually as T.I.'s were obscured in smoke. Could see built-up area. Could see bursts of bombs in centre of City. 3 explosions with white plumes of smoke to 3000 ft. seen leaving target at 18.40 hrs. Concentration of aircraft good. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1116
6TH SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "S" ML 947	CAPT F/O GUILD, R.D. & CREW. 2nd FLT F/O WALKER, C.S.	J.28064 J.87424	16.26	21.05	This A/C arrived over target at 18.32 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. Visibility excellent. Bombed Eastern red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. Target covered in smoke and fires. Centre of City would be heavily damaged by this attack. Fires seen well past enemy coast on return. Good effort. 8 x 30 lb. incendiaries hung up and were brought back. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1117
6TH SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "T" ML 356	CAPT F/O BOLLINGER, J.R. & CREW.	J.86077	16.10	20.30	This A/C arrived over target at 18.32 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on centre of smoke on instructions of Master Bomber. Target covered in smoke. Attack well concentrated. Smoke from target seen for 70 miles away. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1118
6TH SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "R" ML 898	CAPT F/L FERTMAN, A.E. & CREW.	J.5789	16.16	20.52	This A/C arrived over target at 18.32 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on green T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. Markers very well concentrated. Should be a very good raid. 8 x 30 lb. incendiaries hung up and were brought back. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1119
11th SEPT	OPERATION NO. 100 - BOMBING LSHAVRE. BOMB LOAD - All aircraft carried 9 x 1000 lb. and 4 x 500 lb. bombs.						I - 2.
11 SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "A" ML 814	CAPT F/L LOUDON, N.G. & CREW	J.8846	05.14	09.49	This A/C arrived over target area and was ordered by Master Bomber to abandon target and return to base. Visibility was good. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base with full bomb load.	A.1120
11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "D" ML 316	CAPT F/O STALBERGER, J.J. & CREW.	J.13402	05.19	09.46	This A/C arrived over target area and heard Master Bomber order abandon target three times. Visibility very good. Red T.I.'s seen to go down on pall of smoke. No difficulties encountered and crew returned to base with full bomb load.	A.1121

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11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "H" LW.998	CAPT F/O EARL, R.S. & CREW.	J.86872	05.15	09.38	This A/C when 16 miles away from target heard Master Bomber give order to abandon target so returned and landed safely at base with full bomb load. Visibility very good.	A.1122
11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "T" ML.897	CAPT F/O PEARSON, F.C. & CREW.	J.87605	05.21	09.51	This A/C arrived over target at 07.53 hrs. flying at 10,500 ft. Visibility good. Master Bomber not heard. Other bombs seen falling on red T.I.'s. Bombed visually and on red T.I.'s. Considerable smoke but T.I.'s plainly seen. Good concs. of bombs in T/A. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1123
11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "O" LW.119	CAPT F/O GUILD, R.D. & CREW	J.18064	05.45	10.15	This A/C arrived in target area just as Master Bomber was heard to give order to abandon target. Red T.I.'s and bombing North of target near Coast seen. Visibility good. No difficulties encountered and crew returned and landed safely at base with full bomb load.	A.1124
11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "Q" ML.896	CAPT F/O LARSON, L.R. & CREW	J.85239	05.55	09.32	This A/C turned back at 07.45 hrs. on instructions of Master Bomber. Clear, slightly hazy, good visibility. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base with full bomb load.	A.1125
11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "P" ML.356	CAPT F/O MACKIE, A.M. & CREW.	J.88245	05.51	10.00	This A/C arrived over target at 07.49 hrs. flying at 10,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on "Gee" fix and red T.I.'s. Bombs were seen falling on T.I.'s which were well concentrated. Heavy smoke over area. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1126
11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "B" ML.813	CAPT F/O KING, J.L. & CREW.	J.25579	05.16	10.12	This A/C arrived over target and bombed at 07.45 hrs. East of markers then twice heard to abandon mission. At 07.50 hrs. saw new red T.I.'s coming down near target area. Visibility good. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1127
11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "E" ML.754	CAPT F/O SANDERS, S.D. & CREW.	J.27679	05.23	10.10	This A/C arrived over target and heard Master Bomber instructing to bomb port of red T.I.'s, then said Red T.I.'s and finally abandon mission heard clearly 3 times. Saw bombs falling at 07.44 hrs. Visibility good. Did not bomb but jettisoned 1 x 1000 lb. bomb safely at position 49.45N. 0045.W. at 08.07 hrs. from 10,500 ft. to lose weight for safe landing at Base with remainder of bomb load. No difficulties encountered.	A.1128

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11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "G" LG.802	CAPT F/L ANDERSON, M.G. & CREW.	J.4428	05.18	09.58	This A/C arrived over target and at 07.43 hrs. heard Master Bomber order abandon mission. Good visibility. Smoke and T.I.'s seen to port of target missions which was identified visually. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base with full bomb load.	A.1129
11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "L" LG.902	CAPT F/O BROWN, D.R. & CREW.	J.25969	05.20	09.48	This A/C arrived over target at 07.51 hrs. flying at 10,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed target visually between red and green T.I.'s. Very smoky over target. Good concentration of bombs in target area. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1130
11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "M" LG.901	CAPT F/O CRAIG, G.L. & CREW.	J.18420	05.24	10.24	This A/C arrived over target and heard Master Bomber order bombing to port of red T.I.'s and then to order abandon mission. Visibility good. Chatterbox red T.I.'s seen N. of target and sticks of bombs seen going into built-up area S.E. of town during run in. Did not bomb but jettisoned 4 x 500 lb. bombs at position 54.31N. 01.09E. at 09.35 hrs. from 10,500 ft. safe, to lose height for safe landing at base.	A.1131
11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "N" LG.319	CAPT F/O WERTHAM, W.R. & CREW.	J.37112	05.49	10.26	This A/C arrived over target at 07.55 hrs. flying at 10,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed visually and on red T.I.'s. on instructions of Master Bomber after making orbit. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1132
11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "3" LG.947	CAPT F/O LOVING, L.R. DFC & CREW.	J.16130	05.53	10.02	This A/C after hearing Master Bomber order to abandon mission three times and at 07.43 hrs. turned off short of target. Visibility good. Red T.I.'s were still seen going down while ordered to abandon target. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base with full bomb load.	A.1133
11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "W" LG.953	CAPT F/O HOLLINGER, J.R. & CREW.	J.86077	05.48	10.17	This A/C arrived over target at 07.47 hrs. flying at 10,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed visually and on red T.I.'s North of Aiming Point. Master Bomber and Deputy heard talking in noisy reception. T.I.'s well concentrated. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1134
11th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "H" LG.194	CAPT F/L TURNBULL, J.C. DFC & CREW.	J.21370	05.52	09.43	This A/C arrived over target at 07.47 hrs. flying at 10,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed visually and on red T.I.'s. Master Bomber heard but not understood. Three groups of red T.I.'s. seen North of Aiming Point. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1135

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11th SEP/44	OPERATION NO. 101 - MINING KIEL BAY - MINES				01.19	Aircraft carried 4 x 1500 lb. mines.	I - 3.
11th SEP/44	HALIFAX III "C" ML 161	CAPT F/O LEPREYRE, E.R.H.Y. & CREW.	J.16317	19.39	01.19 MINING KIEL	This A/C arrived over "Garden" area at 22.45 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. Good visibility. Rear Gunner saw some parachutes from Mines open and possibly parachutes from some other A/C close by as eight "chutes in all were seen to open. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1136
11th SEP/44	HALIFAX III "J" ML 131	CAPT F/O LAM, J.F. & CREW.	J.88553	19.36	01.29 MINING KIEL	This A/C laid its mines in "Garden" area at 22.43 hrs. from 15,000 ft. Bl cloud but very dark. A very good trip. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1137
11th SEP/44	HALIFAX III "A" ML 896	CAPT F/L PENTAMIN, A.E. & CREW.	J.5709	19.41	01.21 MINING KIEL	This A/C laid its mine load in "Garden" area at 22.41 hrs. from 15,000 ft. There was 2/10th strata cumulus cloud with tops at 3,000 ft. Visibility good. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1138
11th SEP/44	HALIFAX III "H" ML 901	CAPT F/O PALDWAR, W. & CREW.	J.26781	19.34	01.14 MINING KIEL	This A/C deposited mines in "Garden" area at 22.40 hrs. from 15,000 ft. There was 3 to 6/10th strata cumulus cloud with tops at 6,000 ft. but visibility good. A good trip. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1139
12th SEP/44	OPERATION NO. 102 - BOMBING DORTMUND - BOMB LOAD -					All aircraft carried 16 x 500 lb. bombs with the exception of A/C "G" "B" "D" "H" "O" and "S" which carried 7 x 1000 lb. and 4 x 500 lb. bombs each.	I - 4.
12th SEP/44	HALIFAX III "J" ML 602	CAPT W/O ROY, G.A. & CREW.	DPO G.1362	15.23	21.11 BOMBING DORTMUND	This A/C arrived over target at 18.27 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on green S.I. on instructions of Master Bomber who was very helpful. Two large fires seen after leaving target. Concentration of A/C should be improved, fighter escort very good. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1140
12th SEP/44	HALIFAX III "H" ML 813	CAPT F/O KING, J.L. & CREW.	J.25379	15.11	21.07 BOMBING DORTMUND	This A/C arrived over target at 18.30 hrs. flying at 16,500 ft. Visibility good with slight industrial haze. Bombed on concentration of red P.I.s on instructions of Master Bomber who was very good. Good raid and excellent concentration with no designation over target. Port outer engine went U/S at 18.45 hrs. when hit by predicted flak. Bomb bay and port wing were also hit. 1 x 500 lb. bomb hung up and was brought back. Crew brought A/C to base on three engines and landed safely.	A.1141

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12TH SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "D" ML 316	CAPT F/O BONAR, W.S. & CREW	J.86939	15.27	21.28	This A/C arrived over target at 18.9 hrs. flying at 16,500 ft. No cloud, visibility good. Bombed slightly to port of centre of red T.I.'s (100 yards). Markers well concentrated. Three fires starting in area. Early in attack and bombs seem going down seemed to be right on target. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1142
					BOMBING DORTMUND		
12TH SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "H" LW.998	CAPT F/O STAIRS, J.J. & CREW	J.13402	15.26	20.58	This A/C arrived over target at 18.30 hrs. flying at 17,000 ft. Heavy no cloud, visibility fair. Bombed on red T.I.'s. Markers well concentrated, seemed in target area. Intense heavy flak over target, slight heavy flak mainly to starboard on way in. Good attack. Crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1143
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12th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "L" ML 902	CAPT F/O BROWN, D.R. & CREW	J.25969	15.18	21.3	This A/C arrived over target at 18.29 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. No cloud, visibility good. Bombed on red T.I.'s. T.I.'s on Aiming Point by visual check of railway W/Ys. Two large fires with black smoke up to 7/8000 ft. Should be successful raid. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1144
					BOMBING DORTMUND		
12TH SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "O" LW.119	CAPT F/O GUILD, R.D. & CREW	J.18064	15.19	21.22	This A/C arrived over target at 18.31 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. No cloud, heavy but visibility good. Bombed on green and yellow T.I.'s. T.I.'s believed to be on A/P by visual check of railway lines East of target. Master Bomber very helpful. Should be good effort. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1145
					BOMBING DORTMUND		
12th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "A" ML 814	CAPT F/O EARL, R.S. & CREW	J.86872	15.16	20.46	This A/C arrived over target at 18.31 hrs. flying at 17,500 ft. No cloud, heavy but visibility good. Bombed on red T.I.'s which were well concentrated. Two large fires seen around T.I.'s with black and brown smoke rising to 10/12,000 ft. Master Bomber good and clear. Good concentration of A/C, no congestion. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1146
					BOMBING DORTMUND		
12th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "S" LW.164	CAPT F/O TIDY, M.R. & CREW	J.25833	15.15	21.18	This A/C arrived over target at 18.31 hrs. flying at 18,000 ft. No cloud, heavy, visibility good. Bombed on centre of red T.I.'s. By visual check bombing appeared to be on A/P. One large explosion seen at 18.31 hrs. with mass of flame mushrooming into sky. Concentration of A/C strung over 30 miles. No congestion. Fighter escort seen. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1147
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12th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "B" ML 135	CAPT F/O CHANCE, D.G. & CREW	J. 86499	15.12 BOMBING DORTMUND	21.13	This A/C arrived over target at 18.30 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. No cloud, visibility good. Bombed on red T.I.'s. Two large fires seen with smoke rising up to 4/5,000 ft. Appeared to be successful raid. No congestion. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1149
12th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "B" ML 897	CAPT F/O PEARSON, F.C. & CREW	J. 87605	15.25 BOMBING DORTMUND	20.48	This A/C arrived over target at 18.31 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. No cloud, smoke haze but visibility good. Bombed on red T.I.'s which were well concentrated. Bombing target obscured by black smoke. Master Bomber very helpful. Should be successful raid. Smoke still seen 30 miles away. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1150
12th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "B" ML 418	CAPT F/O BURNS, R.G. & CREW	J. 86999	15.21 BOMBING DORTMUND	21.27	This A/C arrived over target at 18.30 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. No cloud, visibility good. Bombed on red T.I.'s. By visual check Baldiva T.I.'s to be on A/P. Bombing concentrated. Good concentration of A/C from English coast back to English coast. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1151
12th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III (433 Sqn) "B" ML 396	CAPT F/O PARTRIDGE, J. & CREW 2nd PLT F/O WALKER, C.S.	J. 25850 J. 87424	15.57 BOMBING DORTMUND	20.56	This A/C arrived over target at 18.27 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. No cloud, hazy but visibility good. Bombed on centre of large block of buildings. Identified A/P by visual check of Autoban and railway W.Yds. N.W. of A/P. After leaving target large fire seen burning with black smoke up to 10,000 ft. Raid on Munster observed. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1152
12th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "B" ML 896	CAPT F/O LARSON, L.S. & CREW	J. 85239	15.22 BOMBING DORTMUND	20.51	This A/C arrived over target at 18.31 hrs. flying at 19,500 ft. Hazy, fair visibility. Bombed on red T.I.'s which were on time and concentrated. Good concentration of A/C over target and no congestion. Should be good raid. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1153

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12th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "H" LV. 794	CAPT F/O WENTHAM, W.R. & CREW.	J. 57112	15.47	21.39	This A/C arrived over target at 18.32 hrs. Flying at 19,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed red T.I.'s. on instructions of Master Bomber. Bombs all away by single salvo will cause slight overshoot. Good raid. Fires and explosions seen after dropping bombs. Flak burst over target hit hydraulic system and bomb doors would not close. Crew brought A/C back and landed safely at base.	A. 1154
					BOMBING DOWNED		
12th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "H" LV. 953	CAPT F/O LOVING, L.R. DFC & CREW.	J. 16130	15.32	21.31	This A/C arrived over target at 18.33 hrs. Flying at 19,500 ft. Visibility good, no cloud. Bombed on centre of red T.I.'s on second run. T.I.'s well concentrated. Six large fires burning - dirty brown and white in colour. Should be good effort, well concentrated. 1 x 500 lb. bomb hung up due to technical failure and was brought back. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A. 1155
					BOMBING DOWNED		
12th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "F" HX. 519	CAPT F/L ARBUCKLE, G.F. DFC & CREW.	J. 23445	15.20	21.32	This A/C arrived over target at 18.31 hrs. Flying at 19,500 ft. No cloud, visibility good. Bombed on red T.I.'s and by check of railroad leading to W/ys. indicators seemed to be on A/P. Master Bomber very clear and helpful. Good effort, no difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A. 1156
					BOMBING DOWNED		
12th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "S" LV. 947	CAPT F/O MACKIE, A.M. & CREW.	J. 88245	15.38	21.10	This A/C arrived over target at 18.31 hrs. Flying at 19,500 ft. Visibility good, no cloud. Bombed red T.I.'s. on instructions of Master Bomber who was heard clearly. Bombs were well concentrated. Several explosions noted over target. Should be very good effort. 1 x 1000 lb. bomb hung up and was brought back. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A. 1157
					BOMBING DOWNED		
15th SEPT/44.	OPERATION NO. 104 - BOMBING - KIEL (not load 1500 lbs) BOMB LOAD - All A/C carried 1 x 2000 lb. bomb. 1188 x 4 lb. incendiary bombs.						I - 5
15th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "O" LV. 164	CAPT F/O TIDY, M.R. & CREW.	J. 25833	21.57	03.35	This A/C arrived over target at 01.14 hrs. Flying at 21,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed centre of red and green T.I.'s. Bombs well concentrated around T.I.'s. Large explosion seen in target area at 01.32 hrs. Concentration of A/C very good over target area. From results seen should be fair attack. 60 x 4 lb. incendiary bombs hung up and were brought back. No difficulties encountered whatsoever and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A. 1158
					BOMBING KIEL		
15th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "M" LZ. 897	CAPT F/O STALBERG, J.J. & CREW.	J. 13402	21.51	04.10	This A/C arrived over target at 01.15 hrs. Flying at 20,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed centre of yellow stars. Large fires seen around target indicators. No congestion over target. Glow of fires could be seen 100 miles away. 90 x 4 lb. incendiary bombs hung up and were brought back. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A. 1159
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15th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "W" LW.194	CAPT F/O BURNS, R.G. & CREW.	J.86959	21.53	03.52	This A/C arrived over target at 01.12 hrs. flying at 20,000 ft. Bombed centre of red and green T.I.'s. Marking excellent and bombing very good. Bombs seen bursting across A/T. Effort seemed very successful and all bombing seen was on good headings. 150 x 4 lb. incendiaries hung up and were brought back. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1160
15th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "Z" LZ.754	CAPT F/O SANDERS, S.D. & CREW.	J.27679	22.12	04.08	This A/C arrived over target at 01.15 hrs. flying at 19,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on centre of red and green T.I.'s which were well concentrated. By HES check T.I.'s appeared to be on A/T. One large explosion seen at 01.14 hrs. Some moderate H/Wink over target but not accurate. 90 x 4 lb. incendiaries hung up and were brought. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1161
15th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "X" LZ.805	CAPT F/O WALKER, C.S.	J.87424	21.48	04.57	This A/C arrived over target at 01.19 hrs. flying at 19,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed centre of 3 clusters of red T.I.'s. Bombing was very well concentrated around markers. Large fire burning in centre of target area. Large number of incendiary fires taking hold and could be seen for over 40 miles away. Seemed to be an excellent raid, no difficulties experienced. 90 x 4 lb. incendiaries hung up and were brought back. Crew brought A/C safely down at base.	A.1162
15th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "V" LW.953	CAPT F/O MACKIE, A.M. & CREW	J.88245	21.54	04.32	This A/C arrived over target area at 01.21 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed centre of red T.I.'s. Markers seemed somewhat scattered but fires were starting all over A/T. Very good effort and good trip. Many A/C seen with Hav. Lights on too near enemy coast. 90 x 4 lb. incendiaries hung up and were brought back. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1163
15th SEPT/44.	OPERATION NO.105 - MINING KIEL → MINES CARRIED - Each A/C carried 4 mines.						I - 6.
15th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "A" LZ.814	CAPT F/O LEFEVRE, B.R. & CREW.	J.16317	21.50	04.27	This A/C arrived over "Garden" area at 01.10 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. No cloud, visibility good. Good trip and four parachutes seen to open. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1164
15th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "K" LW.117	CAPT F/O BONAR, W.B.F. & CREW.	J.86939	21.56	04.24	This A/C arrived over "Garden" area at 01.13 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. No cloud, visibility good. Good trip but 'chutes not seen to open. Bombing raid on KIEL appeared successful. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1165

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15th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "C" LN 119	CAPT F/O GILES, R.D. & CREW.	J.18064	21.45 MINING KIEL	04.16	This A/C arrived over "Garden" area at 01.13 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. Clear with general haze but visibility good. Good trip and mines laid in area laid down. All 'chutes seen to open. Attacked twice by Me 210 and Rear Gunner opened fire claiming possible damage. Crew brought A/C down safely at base.	A.1166
15th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "B" LN 888	CAPT F/L FENTIMAN, A.E. & CREW.	J.5789	21.42 MINING KIEL	04.05	This A/C arrived over "Garden" area at 01.09 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. No cloud, visibility good. Good trip. 'Chutes seen to open. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1167
15th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "H" LN 418	CAPT F/O EATON, G.G. & CREW.	J.24258	21.44 MINING KIEL	03.38	This A/C arrived in "Garden" area at 01.13 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. Visibility good. Good concentration of A/C seen over "Garden". Trouble free trip. Raid on KIEL seemed to be being cut viewed from this position. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1168
15th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "J" LN 131	CAPT F/O CHANCE, D.G. & CREW.	J.86499	22.06 MINING KIEL	04.28	This A/C arrived over "Garden" area at 01.08 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. Patches of cloud but visibility good. Home on H28. Good trip. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1169
15th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "N" LN 901	CAPT F/O BROWN, D.R. & CREW.	J.25969	22.32 MINING KIEL	04.19	This A/C arrived over "Garden" area at 01.13 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. No cloud, visibility good. Good trip and 'chutes were seen to open. Home on H28. Raid on KIEL appeared to be good. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1170
15th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "Q" LN 896	CAPT F/O LOVING, L.R. DFC & CREW.	J.16130	21.43 MINING KIEL	04.30	This A/C arrived in "Garden" area at 01.07 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. No cloud, visibility good. Trouble free trip and 'chutes seen to open. KIEL raid seemed to be well concentrated. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1171
15th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "S" LN 947	CAPT F/O PALIDWAR, W. & CREW	J.26781	21.46 MINING KIEL	04.21	This A/C arrived in "Garden" area at 01.09 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. Visibility good. Good trip and mines laid in area given. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1172
15th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "T" LN 318	CAPT F/O DUNDAS, J.C. & CREW.	J.25964	22.31 MINING KIEL	04.35	This A/C arrived over "Garden" area at 01.13 hrs. flying at 15,000 ft. Clear, slight haze, but visibility good. Good trip and mines laid in allotted areas. Parachutes seen to open. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1173

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SEPT. 17th/44	HALIFAX III "A" NC 814	MAJ OPERATIONS NO. 106 - BOMBING - BOULOGNE		07.10	11.11	A/C carried 9 x 1000 lb. and 4 x 500 lb. bombs.	I - 7.
17 SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "A" NC 814	CAPT P/L ARBUTHNOT, G.P. DFC J.23445 & CREW		07.10	11.11	This A/C arrived over target at 09.15 hrs. flying at 10,000 ft. and was ordered to orbit by Master Bomber. 8/10th to 10/10th cloud over target area. Just as orbiting A/C was struck by a burst of flak and the Bomb Aimer, C/Lt J. 19828 P/O J.G. MURPHY was wounded by a piece of flak. He died almost immediately and Captain returned to base with his full load of bombs and landed safely.	A.1174
17th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "B" NC 316	CAPT P/O KING, J.L. & CREW	J.25379	07.08	11.48	This A/C arrived over target at 09.15 hrs. Visibility poor due to heavy cloud. Orbited 3 times. Saw two yellow smoke puffs on Red T.I. on 1st run-up so did not bomb. Target covered in smoke and T.I.'s not seen. 2 x 1000 lb. bomb jettisoned at position 50.24N 01.10E from 10,000 ft. at 09.35 hrs. Brought remainder of bomb load back and landed safely at base.	A.1175
17th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "B" NC 754	CAPT P/O SANDERS, S.D. & CREW	J.27679	07.28	11.03	This A/C arrived over target at 09.13 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Visibility only fair due to clouds. Bombed a slight overshoot of the red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. Target covered in smoke. Red T.I.'s were in field in front of target. One overshoot seen. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1176
17th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "J" LN 131	CAPT P/O HAWTHORN, G.S. & CREW	J.86925	07.09	11.06	This A/C arrived over target at 09.13 hrs. flying at 10,000 ft. Visibility fair. Bombed on second lot of red T.I.'s as per Master Bomber's instructions. If markers accurate should be good effort as our bombs went right down on them. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1177
17th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "L" NC 902	CAPT P/O STALBRIGER, J.V. & CREW	J.13402	07.11	11.22	This A/C arrived over target at 09.15 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Visibility only fair. Orbited twice and finally bombed red T.I.'s with one second delay on instructions of Master Bomber. Last markers appeared to be accurate. Some bombing seen was definitely an overshoot. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1178
17th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "M" NC 897	CAPT P/O PARSON, F.C. & CREW	J.87605	07.13	11.05	This A/C arrived over target at 09.13 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. Visibility fair. Bombed red T.I.'s with two second overshoot on instructions of Master Bomber. Target covered in black smoke. Red T.I.'s were in front of wood. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1179

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17th SEP	HALIFAX III "V" LX 362	CAPT F/O WATSON G.W. & CREW	J.67424	07:24	11:14	This A/C arrived over target at 09:16 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Visibility only fair due to heavy cloud. Bombed first group of red T.I.'s with two second overshoot on instructions of Master Bomber. Red T.I.'s were in front of smoke in target area. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1180
17 SEP	HALIFAX III "V" LX 519	CAPT F/O WRIGHT L.W. & CREW	J.25937	07:14	11:25	This A/C arrived over target at 09:14 hrs. with very limited visibility. Due to timed run and only smoke seen did not bomb. Did see some sticks of bombs burst 1 mile from A/P. Jettisoned safe 1 x 1000 lb. bomb at position 50:26 N. 00:50E. at 09:25 hrs. from 10,000 ft. All other bombs were brought back and A/C landed safely at base.	A.1181
17 SEP	HALIFAX III "V" LX 895	CAPT F/O LOVING DPC & CREW	J.16130	07:16	11:31	This A/C arrived over target at 09:16 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed with a delay of 1 second on first red T.I. seen. Master Bomber satisfied with attack. Bombing very concentrated and good when we were on target. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1182
17 SEP	HALIFAX III "V" LX 947	CAPT F/O PALMER W. & CREW	J.26781	07:30	11:46	This A/C arrived over target at 09:15 hrs. in fair visibility made three orbits. Saw T.I.'s were short on first run up. Left target at 09:23 hrs. without bombing. 1 x 1000 lb bomb jettisoned safe at position 50:20N 01:07E. at 09:33 hrs. from 9,000 ft. All other bombs were brought back and A/C landed safely at base.	A.1183
17 SEP	HALIFAX III "V" LX 418	CAPT F/O BURNS R.G. & CREW	J.86959	07:12	10:51	This A/C arrived over target at 09:11 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. Fair visibility. Master Bomber said to bomb 2nd group seen of R.T.I.'s on track on edge of wood. Bombing mostly to the right of T.I.'s and T.I.'s were covered in smoke. Our bombs went down as directed by Master Bomber. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1184
17 SEP	HALIFAX III "V" LX 955	CAPT F/O GUILD R.D. & CREW	J.18064	07:33	11:30	This A/C arrived over target at 09:15 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Fair visibility. First Red T.I.'s had a yellow flare on them. Bombed 2nd group with a one second delay. Bombing concentrated and second accurate. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1185
17 SEP	HALIFAX III "V" LX 194	CAPT F/O PARTRIDGE & CREW	J.29850	07:31	11:34	This A/C arrived over target at 09:13 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Visibility fair. Bombed second group of red T.I.'s on edge of wood and which appeared to be accurately placed. Unable to assess effort. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1186

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17th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "X" NZ 805	CAPT P/O HARKIN A.M. & CREW	J.88245	07:27 BOOMBING DOULGHS	11:47	This A/C arrived over target at 09:13 hrs. flying at 6,000 ft. Visibility fair. Master Bomber said to bomb as per his instructions so bombed 300 to 400 yds. east of smoke. No markers were seen. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1187
17 SEP	HALIFAX III "B" NZ 813	CAPT P/O LINTON R.B. & CREW	J.16317	07:15 BOOMBING DOULGHS	11:12	This A/C arrived over target at 09:13 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on overcast on red T.I.'s as instructed by Master Bomber. Two T.I.'s were seen dropping after we had bombed. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1188
18th SEPT/44 OPERATION NO. 107 - BOOMBING - GUN ENLIGHTENED S.W. OF CALAIS. BOB LOAD - All A/C carried 5 x 1000 lb. and 4 x 500 lb. bombs.							
20th Sep	HALIFAX III "B" NZ 813	CAPT P/O KING J.L. & CREW	J.25379	16:22 BOOMBING S.W. OF CALAIS	19:31	This A/C arrived over target at 18:18 hrs. flying at 10,000 ft. Visibility good but slightly hazy. Bombed on 1st cluster of red T.I.'s which appeared to be accurately placed. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back and on diversion landed at R.A.F. Station Tangmere due to bad weather at base.	A.1189
20 SEP	HALIFAX III "E" NZ 754	CAPT P/O BUDERS S.D. & CREW	J.27679	16:24	19:20	This A/C arrived over target at 18:21 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. Visibility good over target. Bombed first cluster of red T.I.'s. Observed one considerable undershoot, rest of bombing appeared accurate. No difficulties encountered and due to bad weather at base landed at R.A.F. Station, Tangmere on diversion.	A.1190
20 SEP	HALIFAX III "I" NZ 802	CAPT P/O KEYS J.G. & CREW	J. T.223101	16:21	19:39	This A/C arrived over target at 18:20 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Visibility good over target. Bombed on first cluster of red T.I.'s. Bombing seemed very accurate, could be good effort. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back and landed at Tangmere on diversion.	A.1191
20 SEP	HALIFAX III "J" LW 131	CAPT P/O HAWTHORN G.E. & CREW	J.86925	16:26	19:22	This A/C arrived over target at 18:22 hrs. flying at 10,000 ft. Visibility good, somewhat hazy over target. Bombed on 1st cluster of red target indicators. Bombing was dead on markers. 2 x 500 lb. bombs hung up and were brought back. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely down on diversion at Tangmere.	A.1192
20 SEP	HALIFAX III "K" NZ 376	CAPT P/O PENTON M.G. & CREW	J.4428	16:25	19:53	This A/C arrived over target at 18:20 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on 1st cluster of red target indicators. Bombing seemed very accurate. No difficulties encountered but due to bad weather conditions at base, landed at Tangmere on diversion.	A.1193

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20th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "L" ML.902	CAPT F/L STALBERGER, J.V. & CREW.	J.13402	16.18	19.14	This A/C arrived over target at 18.21 hrs. flying at 10,000 ft. Visibility good, slight haze over target. Bombed on red T.I.'s and bombs seen to hit target. No difficulties encountered but owing to weather conditions landed at R.A.F. Tangmere.	A.1194
20th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "M" ML.901	CAPT F/O CRAIG, G.L. & CREW. 2nd Plt F/L GREEN, R.W.	J.18420 J.11327	16.15	19.49	This A/C arrived over target at 18.22 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. Visibility clear but limited. Bombed on 1st cluster of red T.I.'s. Bombs were 'bang-on' markers. Very quiet trip. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C down at R.A.F. Tangmere on diversion.	A.1195
20th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "S" LV.947	CAPT F/O FALDHAM, W. & CREW.	J.26791	16.14	19.15	This A/C arrived over target at 18.22 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. Visibility good. Considered 1st cluster of red T.I.'s slightly inland so bombed 1/2 second early. Master Bomber then instructed to undershoot. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C down at R.A.F. Tangmere on diversion.	A.1196
20th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "M" ML.937	CAPT F/O PEARSON, F.O. & CREW.	J.07605	16.23	19.10	This A/C arrived over target at 18.21 hrs. flying at 10,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on first cluster of red T.I.'s. Bombs seen to hit target with three only short of T.I.'s. Crew brought A/C down safely at R.A.F. Tangmere on diversion.	A.1197
20th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "U" ML.418	CAPT F/O BURNS, R.G. & CREW.	J.86959	16.10	19.11	This A/C arrived over target at 18.23 hrs. flying at 8,500 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on red T.I.'s and bombs seen to straddle markers. General bombing appeared good. No difficulties encountered and crew landed at R.A.F. Tangmere on diversion due to adverse weather conditions at Base.	A.1198
20th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "V" LV.953	CAPT F/O GUILD, R.D. & CREW. 2nd Plt F/O SMITH, R.W.	J.18064 J.16164	16.40	19.44	This A/C arrived over target at 18.23 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. Visibility good, slight haze in target area. Bombed N.W. edge of 1st cluster of red T.I.'s. General bombing appeared good. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C down at R.A.F. Tangmere on diversion.	A.1199
20th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "W" ML.191	CAPT F/O WALKER, G.S. & CREW.	J.07424	16.16	19.58	This A/C arrived over target at 18.23 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Visibility good with slight haze over target. Bombed on 1st cluster of red T.I.'s. Bombing seemed very accurate. Port outer engine went 4/8 but crew brought A/C back on 3 engines and landed safely at R.A.F. Tangmere on diversion.	A.1200

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20th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "Y" ML 905	CAPT E/C WACKIE, A.L. & CREW.	J.88245	16.20	20.05	This A/C arrived over target at 18.29 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed 1st cluster of red T.I.'s N.W. of smoke. Good bombing. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely down on diversion at R.A.F. Tangmere.	A.1201
20th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "Y" ML 947	CAPT F/C WRIGHT, L.S. & CREW.	J.25937	16.17	19.45	This A/C arrived over target at 18.24 hrs. flying at 8,900 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on second cluster of red T.I.'s. Bombing was generally good and right on markers. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely down on diversion at R.A.F. Tangmere as weather conditions at base were unfavourable.	A.1202
23rd SEPT/44.	OPERATION NO. 108 - BOMBING - BOMBING - BOMB LOAD - All A/C carried 9 x 1000 lb. and 4 x 500 lb. bombs.						I - 9.
23rd SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "A" ML 814	CAPT F/O EARL, R.D. & CREW.	J.86872	15.11	18.36	This A/C arrived over target at 17.00 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. Visibility excellent over target. Bombed visually and on red T.I.'s. Markings were concentrated. A very good effort. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1203
23rd SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "B" ML 813	CAPT F/O DUNDAS, J.C. & CREW.	J.25964	15.12	19.03	This A/C arrived over target at 17.00 hrs. flying at 9,300 ft. Visibility very good over target. Bombed starboard of red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. P.F.P.'s first markers created a fire on edge of town. Master Bomber said our bombs were well laid. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1204
23rd SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "C" ML 164	CAPT F/O KEYS, J.C. & CREW.	J.223101	15.18	18.43	This A/C arrived over target at 17.00 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. Visibility excellent. Bombed starboard cluster of red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. Bombing was concentrated around A/P. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1205
23rd SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "D" ML 316	CAPT F/O BONAR, W.S.F. & CREW.	J.86939	15.17	18.56	This A/C arrived over target at 17.00 hrs. flying at 8,500 ft. Visibility excellent. Bombed starboard cluster of red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. Several red T.I.'s near town but these were not bombed. Bombing seemed very accurate and Master Bomber very good. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1206
23rd SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "H" ML 998	CAPT F/L ARBUCKLE, G.F. DFC & CREW.	J.23445	15.14	18.39	This A/C arrived over target at 17.01 hrs. flying at 8,500 ft. Visibility over target, very good. Bombed starboard red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. If markers on should be excellent effort. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1207

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23rd SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "J" LW.131	CAPT F/O KING, J.L. & CREW.	J.25479	15.15	18.50	This A/C arrived over target at 17.00 hrs. flying at 9,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed just short of red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. Bombers were well concentrated and this should be good effort. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1208
23rd SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "K" LW.576	CAPT F/L ANDERSON, W.G. & CREW.	J.4428	15.16	18.38	This A/C arrived over target at 17.00 hrs. flying at 8,500 ft. Visibility excellent over target. Bombed centre of smoke on instructions of Master Bomber. Bombers were spread out but bombing seemed very good. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1209
23rd SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "L" LW.902	CAPT F/L STALPERSER & CREW.	J.J. J.13402	15.19	18.51	This A/C arrived over target at 17.00 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Visibility very good. Bombed to starboard of red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. A few bombs were seen to fall in sea. Bombing was well concentrated. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1210
23rd SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "M" LW.898	CAPT W/O ROY, G.L. & CREW.	DFC G.1362	15.23	18.53	This A/C arrived over target at 17.00 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Visibility excellent. Bombed to starboard of red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. First stick of bombs fell on beach. Generally very good bombing. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1211
23rd SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "N" LW.947	CAPT F/O MACLE, A.M. & CREW.	J.88245	15.20	18.54	This A/C arrived over target at 17.00 hrs. flying at 9000 ft. Visibility over target very good. Bombed starboard of red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. T.I.'s were spread out on both sides of A/C. If bombs correctly placed should be good effort. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1212
23rd SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "O" LW.805	CAPT F/L PARTRIDGE, J.L. & CREW.	J.25850	15.24	18.48	This A/C arrived over target at 17.00 hrs. flying at 8500 ft. Visibility excellent. There were two groups of red T.I.'s and on instructions of Master Bomber bombed the starboard group. Good bombing and should be fair effort. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1213
23rd SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "P" LW.901	CAPT F/O GRAIS, G.L. & CREW.	J.18420	15.21	18.47	This A/C arrived over target at 17.00 hrs. flying at 8500 ft. Visibility very good. Bombed starboard red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. Some green T.I.'s seen on edge of village. Very good marking and Master Bomber helpful. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1214

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23rd SEP/44	HALIFAX III "W" LV.953	CAPT F/O WALKER, G.S. & CREW.	J.87424	15.25 BOOMBING DOWNBURG	19.04	This A/C arrived over target at 17.00 hrs. flying at 8500 ft. Visibility very good. Bombed starboard red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. F.P.O. markers were very good and bombing quite concentrated. Good effort. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1215
23rd SEP/44	HALIFAX III "A" LV.896	CAPT F/O LOVING, H.R. DFC & CREW.	J.16130	15.10 BOOMBING DOWNBURG	18.30	This A/C arrived over target at 17.01 hrs. flying at 8000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed red T.I.'s in centre of smoke. These were the only markers seen. Looked like good effort. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1216
23rd SEP/44	HALIFAX III "X" LV.247	CAPT F/O HOLLINGER, J.R. & CREW.	J.86077	15.27 BOOMBING DOWNBURG	18.45	This A/C arrived over target at 17.00 hrs. flying at 8200 ft. Visibility good. Bombed starboard red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. whole target area was covered in smoke. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1217
23rd SEP/44	HALIFAX III "U" LV.418	CAPT F/O BURNS, R.D. & CREW.	J.86959	15.36 BOOMBING DOWNBURG	18.35	This A/C arrived over target at 17.01 hrs. flying at 8000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed starboard cluster of red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. Few fairly large explosions seen. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1218
23rd SEP/44	HALIFAX III "M" LV.357	CAPT F/O FARRON, F.O. & CREW.	J.87605	15.13 BOOMBING DOWNBURG	18.41	This A/C arrived over target at 17.00 hrs. flying at 9000 ft. Visibility excellent over target. Bombed starboard red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber who was heard clearly and who was very satisfied with the raid. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1219
25th SEP/44	OPERATION NO. 109 - BOOMBING - 'UNDERGO' NEAR CALAIS				BOOB LOAD	9 x 1000 lb. and 4 x 500 lb. bombs carried by all A/C.	I - 10.
25th SEP/44	HALIFAX III "A" LV.611	CAPT F/O EARL, R.S. & CREW	J.86672	08.43 BOOMBING NR. CALAIS	12.49	This A/C arrived over target at 10.50 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Visibility only fair due to patchy clouds. Bombed on centre of red T.I.'s. Bombing seemed very good. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1220
25th SEP/44	HALIFAX III "B" LV.813	CAPT F/O KING, J.L. & CREW.	J.25379	08.42 BOOMBING NR. CALAIS	12.57	This A/C arrived over target at 10.54 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Visibility fair. Bombed on red T.I.'s and were last group to bomb on then as instructed by Master Bomber. Good concentration of bombs. Checked T.I.'s visually - dead on. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1221

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25th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "O" ML. 164	CAPT FLT/OPF KEYS, J.G. & CREW	T.223101	BOMBING NR. CALAIS	08.44 12.47	This A/C arrived over target at 10.50 hrs. flying at 4,500 ft. Visibility obscured somewhat by patchy clouds. Bombed green T.I.'s and visually as per Master Bomber's instructions. First bombs appeared to be slight undershoot to Green T.I.'s were dead on but reds were too far North. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1222
25th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "P" ML. 754	CAPT F/O LANG, J.E. & CREW	J.88553	BOMBING NR. CALAIS	08.45 12.44	This A/C arrived over target at 10.50 hrs. flying at 4,500 ft. Visibility fair. Bombed on instructions of Master Bomber. Bombing seemed very good. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1223
25th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "H" ML. 998	CAPT F/O HAWTHORNE, G.E. & CREW	J.86925	BOMBING NR. CALAIS	08.45 13.14	This A/C arrived over target at 10.50 hrs. flying at 7,000 ft. Visibility fair. Bombed on last set of red T.I.'s as per instructions of Master Bomber. Bombing seemed slightly scattered. One stick seemed to overshoot. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1224
25th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "K" ML. 576	CAPT F/O ANDERSON, W.G. & CREW	J.4428	BOMBING NR. CALAIS	08.51 13.07	This A/C arrived over target at 10.50 hrs. flying at 5,500 ft. Visibility fair. Bombed starboard of red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. Bombing seemed concentrated and on target. Saw two or three explosions. Smoke obscured target. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1225
25th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "L" ML. 902	CAPT F/O ARMSTRONG, G.F. & CREW	J.23446	BOMBING NR. CALAIS	08.46 12.50	This A/C arrived over target at 10.55 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Visibility fair, as target was somewhat obscured by cloud and smoke. Bombed on red T.I.'s as per Master Bomber's instructions. Markers looked well placed and bombing was concentrated. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1226
25th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "M" ML. 897	CAPT F/O PEARSON, R.C. & CREW	J.87605	BOMBING NR. CALAIS	08.41 12.45	This A/C arrived over target at 10.50 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Visibility fair. Bombed centre of green T.I.'s as ordered by Master Bomber. Bombing seemed concentrated and well on target. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1227
25th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "N" ML. 901	CAPT F/O GREEN, R.V. & CREW	J.11327	BOMBING NR. CALAIS	08.53 13.03	This A/C arrived over target at 10.52 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Visibility fair. Bombed red T.I.'s as instructed. Bombing seemed concentrated and this should be good effort. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1228

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25TH SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "Q" ML 896	CAPT F/O LOVING, P. R. & CREW	DFC J.36130	08.50 BOMBING NR. CALAIS	12.44	This A/C arrived over target at 10.54 hrs. flying at 5,500 ft. Visibility obscured by clouds. Bombed centre of red T.I.'s. Bombing seemed concentrated and Master Bomber was very clear. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1229
25 TH SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "R" ML 898	CAPT F/L PARTRIDGE, J. A. & CREW	J.29850	08.54 BOMBING NR. CALAIS	13.08	This A/C arrived over target at 10.49 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Visibility only fair. Bombed green T.I.'s and visually. Master Bomber was quite clear. Red T.I.'s on time seemed to be overshoot. Good effort. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1230
25TH SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "S" IV. 947	CAPT F/O PALINPAR, W. & CREW	J.26761	09.10 BOMBING NR. CALAIS	12.52	This A/C arrived over target at 10.49 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Visibility somewhat obscured by clouds. Bombed green T.I.'s. Red seemed to slightly overshoot. Master Bomber said to Bomb greens. Time run O/K. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1231
25th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "U" ML 131	CAPT F/O SANDERS, S. D. & CREW	J.27679	08.48 BOMBING NR. CALAIS	13.38	This A/C arrived over target at 10.53 hrs. flying at 5,300 ft. Weather and visibility just fair. Bombed red T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. Good bombing. Saw two explosions. 4 x 500 lb. bombs were hung up and brought back. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1232
25th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "V" ML 356	CAPT F/O WALKER, C. S. & CREW	J.87424	09.16 BOMBING NR. CALAIS	12.55	This A/C arrived over target at 6,700 ft. and at 10.52 hrs. Visibility fair due to patchy cloud. Bombed green T.I.'s on instructions of Master Bomber. Saw two explosions causing black smoke in target area. 1 x 1000 lb. bomb which hung up was jettisoned safely and 1 x 500 lb. bomb which hung up was brought back to Base. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1233
25th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "W" ML 438	CAPT F/O SMITH, E. W. & CREW	J.16164	08.45 BOMBING NR. CALAIS	13.16	This A/C arrived over target at 10.52 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Visibility fair. Bombed on red T.I.'s. Bombing Good. Few fell towards left of T.I.'s and towards beach. 1 x 500 lb. bomb hung up and was brought back. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1234
25th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "Y" ML 316	CAPT F/O WRIGHT, L. W. & CREW	J.25937	09.23 BOMBING NR. CALAIS	13.00	This A/C arrived over target at 10.52 hrs. flying at 5,500 ft. Visibility fair. Bombed starboard of red T.I.'s (red). Bombing quite spread out. One stick seen to fall in sea. Bombing not as concentrated as previous Calais effort. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to Base.	A.1235

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25th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "X" 122.805	CAPT F/O MACKIE, A.M. & CREW.	J. 88245	08.56 BOMBING	13.22 MR. GALLAIS	This A/C arrived over target at 10.52 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Visibility fair. Bombed starboard of red T.L.'s and visually as per Master Bomber's instructions. Saw one explosion. All bombs well on beach. Lot of smoke. Bombing well concentrated. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1236
25th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "T" 122.947	CAPT F/O HOLLINGER, & CREW.	J. 86077	08.47 BOMBING	12.58 MR. GALLAIS	This A/C arrived over target at 10.50 hrs. flying at 5,000 ft. Visibility somewhat obscured by clouds. Bombed port side of green T.L.'s as per instructions of Master Bomber. Bombing seemed concentrated. Saw explosion, might be bomb. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1237
27th SEPT/44	OPERATION NO. 110 - BOMBING - PRIMARY - STRECHS - ALTERNATIVE - DUTY - All A/C carried 16 x 500 lb. bombs.						I - 11
27th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "A" 122.814	CAPT F/O BASH, R.S. & CREW.	J. 86872	07.21 BOMBING	13.32	This A/C arrived over target at 09.58 hrs. flying at 18,000 ft. 9/10/10th cloud with tops at 8,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on red T.L.'s and saw spot visual through break in clouds. M/B directed to alternative and then said to bomb primary. Altered course and through hole in cloud saw large column of black smoke. Could see built-up area and at 09.58 hrs. a large explosion with sheets of yellow flame. Master Bomber seemed undecided. This individual effort considered effective. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1238
27th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "B" 122.803	CAPT F/O KING, J.L. & CREW.	J. 25379	07.22	13.03	This A/C arrived over target at 09.51 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. Identified target visually through haze in cloud. M/B confusing re two targets. Fairly large explosion M.W. corner target but no smoke in target area when we bombed. Confusion over target. Port outer engine went U/S but crew brought A/C safely back to base on three engines.	A.1239
27th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "C" 122.164	CAPT F/O LEFEBVRE, R.R. & CREW.	J. 16317	07.30	12.53	This A/C arrived over target at 10.01 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. Visibility poor but during orbit saw a cluster of red T.L.'s and ball of smoke and oil tank installation and bombed these. Heavy black smoke rising to 9000 ft. Consider our effort successful. Much confusion over target due to M/B changing targets. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1240

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27th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "D" HL 316	CAPT F/O BONAR, W.S. & CREW.	J.86939	07.42	12.38	This A/C arrived over target at 09.56 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. Visibility obscured by 10/10th cloud but there were some breaks. Saw 4 or 5 oil storage tanks and section of railroad and bombed this. Bombs seen to go down but couldn't see results because of cloud. Rather uncertain effort as Master Bomber caused great confusion by changing his instructions. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1241
27th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "E" HL 754	CAPT F/O LANG, J.F. & CREW.	J.88553	07.24	12.56	This A/C arrived over target at 09.56 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. Identified target through break in clouds and was all set to bomb but due to some technical failure bombs would not release. Brought full bomb load back and landed safely at base.	A.1242
27th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "H" HL 998	CAPT F/O DOWAN, H.H. & CREW.	J.85095	07.34	12.22	This A/C arrived over target at 09.53 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. Visibility only fair due to heavy cloud. Master Bomber said to bomb red T.I.s if seen and if not seen to bomb alternative. XXXX Altered course and bombed DISSECT as no T.I.s were seen. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1243
27th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "J" HL 131	CAPT F/O KINGS, J.G. & CREW	T.223101	07.58	12.40	This A/C after steepling around target for 15 minutes due to confusion caused by Master Bomber finally bombed uncertain somewhere S. of XXXX through break in cloud at 10.01 hrs. from 18,000 ft. on large factory with four large chimneys and oil storage. Fires from this target and billowing black smoke to 6,000 ft. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1244
27th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "K" HL 576	CAPT F/L ANDERSON, V.C. & CREW.	J.4428	07.28	12.51	This A/C arrived over target and was ordered to bomb alternative and then to bomb primary on red T.I.s but no markers were visible due to very heavy cloud conditions so at 09.58 hrs. from 18,000 ft. bombed just slightly beyond target. Considered not a good effort. Unfortunate met. conditions. No other difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1245
27th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "L" HL 902	CAPT F/L BRUCKLE, G.F. DFC & CREW.	J.23445	07.25	12.31	This A/C arrived over target area at 09.52 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. Visibility just fair owing to cloud. Master Bomber very confusing but through break in cloud saw what seemed to be refining installations so bombed this and saw bombs straddle over large building and burst into refinery installations which were untouched before our bombs straddled them. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1246

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27th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "B" WL 897	CAPT F/O PEARSON, F.O. & CREW.	J. 87605	07.30	12.23	This A/C arrived over target at 10.00 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. Visibility poor. Target obscured in cloud and T.I.'s not seen. Through break in cloud saw factory and bombed this, others bombing same target and factory was well hit with fires raging and black smoke seen billowing up. Master Bomber very confusing. No other difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1247
27th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "B" WL 901	CAPT F/O CRAIG, G.L. 2nd & Crew. 2nd Plt F/O Grant, M.O.	J. 18420 J. 29142	07.36	12.28	This A/C arrived over target area at 09.55 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. Visibility poor due to heavy cloud. Master Bomber very confusing but heard instructions to leave primary and bomb Duisberg. Bombed the alternative and black smoke was seen billowing up from dock area. Disappointing effort due to confusion and not seeing T.I.'s. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1248
27th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "B" WL 319	CAPT F/O SMITH, R.W. & CREW.	J. 16164	07.41	13.17	This A/C arrived over target at 10.01 hrs. flying at 18,000 ft. Visibility poor due to heavy cloud. T.I.'s not seen and Master Bomber very confused. Bombed on factory in built up section in Essen area seen through break in clouds. Great confusion over target area caused by Master Bomber giving 5 alterations from primary. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1249
27th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "B" WL 896	CAPT F/O LOVING, L. DFC & CREW.	J. 16130	07.26	12.27	This A/C arrived over target at 10.05 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. Visibility poor. After atoning around for 15 minutes over target endeavouring to keep up with changing instructions of Master Bomber finally bombed what we believed to be primary. Unable to assess effort due to cloud. Confusion over target. Crew brought A/C back and landed safely at base.	A.1250
27th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "B" WL 940	CAPT F/O GIBSON, R.W. & CREW.	J. 11327	07.32	13.09	This A/C arrived over target at 09.57 hrs. flying at 18,000 ft. Visibility poor due to cloud. Through break in cloud saw T.I.'s and bombed primary. Some fires burning with dark blue smoke and pinkish glow. T.I.'s seemed fairly well concentrated. Master Bomber heard clearly but confused, working under difficulties. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1251

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27th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "M" 12.947	CAPT W/O ROY, G.A. DFC & CREW. 2nd Flt F/L ALDWORTH, F.C. J.13091	G.1362	07.31	13.07	This A/C arrived over target at 10.00 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. 10/10th cloud with occasional breaks, visibility good. Bombed medium sized built-up area and a railroad at position 51.27N. 07.20E., seemed to be industrial area, seen through break in clouds. Effort very confused due to met. conditions and M/B had a tough job but nevertheless shouldn't have changed his mind. Crew brought A/C back and landed safely at base.	A.1252
27th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "M" 12.356	CAPT P/O WALKER, G.A. & CREW.	J.87424	07.27	12.59	This A/C arrived in target area at 1001 hrs. flying at 16,000 ft. Heavy cloud with occasional break, visibility good. After orbiting bombed visually on smoke and fires believed to be primary. Saw two fires burning with very large column of smoke. Poor met. conditions and confusion resulting from switching target created difficulties. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1253
27th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "M" 12.418	CAPT P/O BURNS, R.G. & CREW.	J.86959	07.40	12.26	This A/C arrived in target area at 09.56 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. 10/10th cloud but visibility good. Master Bomber ordered to bomb alternative and then primary if you saw T.I.'s, no T.I.'s visible so bombed DUISBURG. No assessment possible. Rather poor effort due to met. and M/B changing mind which upset tactics. Crew brought A/C back and landed safely at base.	A.1254
27th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "M" 12.953	CAPT P/O WRIGHT, J.W. & CREW.	J.25237	07.37	12.42	This A/C arrived in target area at 09.56 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. Visibility hampered by 10/10th cloud drifting over target. Bombed primary on acid blind red T.I. and glow in break in cloud. Brownish smoke and bomb bursts seen scattered in target area. Bomber stream good on way in confused over target. Hit by flak over target and three small holes in fuselage. Crew brought A/C back and landed safely at base.	A.1255
27th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "M" 12.805	CAPT P/O MACKIE, A.M. & CREW.	J.88245	07.23	13.19	This A/C arrived over target at 09.59 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. Visibility obscured by 10/10th cloud. Through break in cloud saw built-up area, large factory, and portion of railroad and buildings. Bombed building with large chimney. Consider primary target attached. Consider effort poor as met. was dull and M/B very confusing. Crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1256
27th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "M" 12.947	CAPT P/O HOLLINER, J.R. & CREW.	J.86077	07.18	12.58	This A/C arrived over target at 10.02 hrs. flying at 18,500 ft. Visibility poor. Bombed on H23 and DR run to target. No markers seen. M/B heard but was confusing. Impossible to assess effort. Bombing seemed scattered over Ruhr. Crew brought A/C back and landed safely at base.	A.1257

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
22nd SEPT/44.	OPERATION NO. 111 - BOMBING -	OUT - CRTS - REG - REG -	CRATS -			LOAD - All A/C carried 9 x 1000 lb. and 4 x 500 lb. bombs.	I - 12.
23rd SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "A" LW. 914	CAPT F/O SMITH, S.D. & CREW.	J. 86872	16.44	20.56	This A/C arrived over target at 18.45 hrs. flying at 10,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed visually and on red T.I.'s. Master Bomber not heard and red and green T.I.'s seemed to be starboard of target. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A. 1258
23rd SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "C" LW. 164	CAPT F/O MACKIE, A.M. & CREW.	J. 88245	17.01	21.25	This A/C arrived over target area at and was ordered by Master Bomber not to bomb but to return. Saw T.I.'s falling on way in from Coast. Visibility clear over target. Jettisoned 2 x 500 lb. bombs safe at position 50.29N. 01.07E. at 19.02 hrs. from 4,500 ft. Brought remainder of bomb load back and landed safely at base.	A. 1259
23rd SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "D" LW. 164	CAPT F/O SMITH, S.D. & CREW.	J. 16164	16.53	20.59	When this A/C arrived over target, Master Bomber ordered to abandon target and return. Visibility was clear over target area. At 18.46 hrs. few bombs seen falling over to right on yellow T.I.'s, about two bombs on A/C. Brought all bombs back and landed safely at base.	A. 1260
23rd SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "E" LW. 154	CAPT F/O LANE, J.F. & CREW.	J. 88553	16.59	21.05	This A/C arrived over target area only to be ordered to abandon task by Master Bomber. Visibility was good. T.I.'s looked scattered with the exception of some red indicators which seemed to be on the target. Jettisoned 4 x 500 lb. bombs safe at position 50.29N. 01.07E. at 19.05 hrs. from 5,000 ft. Brought remainder of bomb load back and landed safely at base.	A. 1261
23rd SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "F" LW. 802	CAPT F/O KAYS, J.G. & CREW.	T. 223101	16.45	21.30	This A/C arrived over target area just in time to hear Master Bomber scrub operation at 18.48 hrs. Markers appeared to be scattered. Visibility was excellent. Jettisoned 2 x 500 lb. bombs safe at position 50.28N. 01.06E. at 19.05 hrs. from 3,500 ft. Brought remainder of bombs back and landed safely at base.	A. 1262
23rd SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "G" LW. 999	CAPT F/O SANDERS, S.D. & CREW.	J. 27679	16.54	21.04	This A/C arrived over target in good visibility but did not bomb. Markers seen appeared to be scattered. Jettisoned 4 x 500 lb. bombs safe at position 50.28N. 01.06E. at 19.59 hrs. from 10,000 ft. Brought remainder of bombs back and landed safely at base.	A. 1263

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28th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "A" 12-131	CAPT F/L DUNDAS, J.C. & CREW.	J.25964	17.00	21.36	This A/C arrived over target and heard Master Bomber call basement at 18.44 hrs. too late to drop to 2500 ft. Vis- ibility was good. Red T.I.'s seen seemed somewhat scattered. Jettisoned 4 x 500 lb. bombs live at position 54.24N 00.50E. at 20.55 hrs. from 6,000 ft. Brought remainder of bomb load back and landed safely at base.	A.1264
28th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "A" 12-953	CAPT F/L ANDERSON, W.G. & CREW.	J.4428	16.58	21.17	This A/C arrived over target and heard Master Bomber order operation scrubbed. Visibility good over target. Markers seen at target area appeared scattered. Brought all bombs back and landed safely at base.	A.1265
28th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "A" 12-902	CAPT F/L ANDERSON, W.G. DEPT & CREW.	J.23445	16.46	21.31	This A/C arrived over target at 18.45 hrs. flying at 18.45 hrs. flying at 10,000 ft. Bombed on Master Bomber's instructions to pass red T.I.'s by 1/2 second. Visibility very good, no cloud. Three loads seen on target. Master Bomber noisy. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1266
28th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "A" 12-897	CAPT F/L KING, J.L. & CREW.	J.25179	16.55	21.20	This A/C arrived over target but abandoned mission on instructions of Master Bomber. Visibility good. Red T.I.'s appeared to be badly scattered at target. Also saw bright red T.I.'s midway between coast and target. Jettisoned 2 x 500 lb. bombs safe at position 54.29N 01.05E. at 19.03 hrs. from 10,000 ft. Brought rest of bomb load back and landed safely at base.	A.1267
28th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "A" 12-901	CAPT F/L CRAIG, G.L. & CREW.	J.18420	16.57	20.17	This A/C arrived over target at 18.44 hrs. flying at 10,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed visually and on red T.I.'s on Master Bomber's instructions. Bombs seen falling on target and slightly East of target. At 18.47 hrs. heard Master Bomber give order to abandon mission. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1268
28th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "A" 12-119	CAPT F/L COWAN, H.M. & CREW.	J.85095	16.49	21.14	This A/C arrived over target just in time to hear Master Bomber clearly order abandon mission at 18.45 hrs. Visibility good. Jettisoned 4 x 500 lb. and 1 x 1000 lb. bombs safe at position 54.29N 01.06E. at 18.48 hrs. from 10,000 ft. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1269
28th SEPT/44.	HALIFAX III "A" 12-896	CAPT F/L LOVING, L.R. & CREW.	DEPT J.16130	16.48	21.13	This A/C arrived over target at 18.46 hrs. flying at 8,000 ft. Visibility good. Master Bomber gave order to abandon mission. T.I.'s scattered and red and green markers badly off. Jettisoned 2 x 500 lb. bombs at position 54.31N 01.05E. at 8000 ft. and 18.59 hrs. Brought rest of bomb load back and landed safely at base.	A.1270

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28th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "1" IE.940	CAPT S/L WESTMAN, A.E. & CREW	J.5709	15.51	21.29	This A/C arrived over target and was ordered by Master Bomber to abandon mission. Visibility good over target. Markers seen appeared scattered. Jettisoned 2 x 500 lbs. at position 50.41N 01.12E. at 18.55 hrs. from 8,000 ft. and jettisoned remainder at 54.00N 00.55E at 20.25 hrs. from 8000 ft. Crew brought A/C safely down at base.	A.1271
28th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "3" IV.947	CAPT F/O WESTMAN, A.E. & CREW	J.57112	16.56	21.43	This A/C had just arrived over target at 18.47 hrs. when Master Bomber ordered abandon mission. Visibility was good over target. Markers seemed fair with reds somewhat to port. Brought all bombs back and crew brought A/C safely down at base.	A.1272
28th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "1" IE.356	CAPT F/L GOSCH, R.W. & CREW	J.11327	16.50	21.09	This A/C arrived over target at 18.47 hrs. flying at 10000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed green T.I.s to starboard of A/P and visually. Master Bomber not heard, others bombing red and green T.I.s. Reds appeared short of target. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1273
28th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "433" IE.284	CAPT F/O WALKER, C.S. & CREW	J.57424	17.25	20.56	This A/C arrived over target at 18.47 hrs. flying at 10,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed red T.I.s on M/B. Instructions. Master Bomber heard clearly Coast to Coast. Red T.I.s seemed well placed. Green badly scattered. Just after bombing heard M/B abandon mission. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1274
28th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "1" IE.805	CAPT F/O WRIGHT, L.V. & CREW	J.25937	16.52	21.11	This A/C arrived over target and was ordered by Master Bomber to abandon mission. Visibility over target was good. Markers appeared widely scattered. Did not bomb. Jettisoned 2 x 500 lb. bombs safe at position 50.41N 00.55E at 19.01 hrs. from 10,000 ft. Brought remainder of bomb load back and landed safely at base.	A.1275
28th SEPT/44	HALIFAX III "1" IE.947	CAPT F/O HOLLINGER, J.R. & CREW	J.86077	16.47	21.31	This A/C arrived over target at 18.45 hrs. flying at 10,000 ft. Visibility good. Bombed on port edge of green T.I.s and visually. T.I. came on time. No difficulties encountered and crew brought A/C safely back to base.	A.1276

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