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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	Up	Down	DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
1.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT		WELLINGTON IC AIRCRAFT				
DV 529	P/O	F. Watson	Ferrying	12.00	12.50	Kabrit - IG 237	
DV 895	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	F/O J. Souden Sgt F. Hall Sgt F. Makin Sgt A. E. Downs Sgt J. M. Scott	Operations Battle Area	05.00	05.58	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Battle Area - IG 237. Weather good. Little cloud. Bombed in 5 sticks on groups of M.T. closely parked. Bombs among vehicles. 2 fires started, one a petrol wagon. About 5 good fires burning altogether. Bomb load: 15 x 250 NIR 2 SBC 40lb H.E. Map reference: 1:500000 Matruh.	
KX 465	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	F/O J. E. L. Gover Sgt J. S. Oien Sgt E. W. Mitchell Sgt J. W. Tate Sgt C. H. Brooks Sgt P. Dayton	Operations Battle area	02.45	05.20	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Battle Area - IG 237. Weather good some slight cloud over target. Bombed in six sticks on widely dispersed M.T. Bombs fell among M.T. One light AA gun firing, otherwise opposition nil. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NIR 2 SBC 40lb HE Map reference: 1:500000 Matruh.	
KX 529	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	F/O F. V. Campbell Sgt F. I. Taylor Sgt E. B. Turnbull Sgt E. K. Brewett Sgt G. C. C. Holmes Sgt E. J. Forsey	Operations Battle Area	05.00	05.10	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Battle Area - IG 237. Clear over target visibility good. Bombed in 5 sticks on large concentration of M.T. Direct hits - 1 fire started. No AA encountered. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NIR 2 SBC 40lb HE (1 SBC hung up) Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
HF 545	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt D. R. Moon Sgt T. M. Billingham Sgt F. C. McEllan Sgt E. J. Thomas Sgt G. D. Fitzgerald Sgt G. McDowell	Operations Battle area	02.57	05.55	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Battle Area - IG 237. No cloud over target. Attacked numerous M.T. in 4 sticks. 2 direct hits on vehicles both blew up. Machine gunned at 400' 600 rounds - no results. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NIR 2 SBC 40lb HE Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
AD 657	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt K. L. Cartois Sgt T. B. Frosser Sgt A. K. Newman de Souza Sgt A. T. Coles Sgt A. E. Frampton Sgt J. M. R. Bullock	Operations Battle area	02.50	06.00	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Battle Area - IG 237. Clear over target. Attacked well dispersed M.T. - 5 sticks. One fire started. Bursts seen among M.T. Opposition - some small arms fire. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference: 1:500000 Matruh.	
DV 563	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	F/O W. W. McGee Sgt R. R. Pearson Sgt E. T. Lord Sgt E. H. Gordon Sgt P. V. Jeffries	Operations Battle Area	03.42	06.00	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather - good. Bombed in 4 sticks among widely dispersed M.T. Bombs fell among vehicles and two fires started. Machine gunned M.T. - about 100 rounds fired. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NIR 2 SBC 40lb HE Map reference: 1:500000 Matruh.	
	"B" FLIGHT						
DV 625	Sgt	F. Doran	Return to Base	09.45	10.35	Kabrit - IG 237 (kilo 40)	
ES 987	Sgt	C. G. Kilisnoke	-do-	10.20	11.10	Kabrit - IG 237 (kilo 40)	
DV 647	Sgt	H. Triaks	-do-	16.35	17.30	Kabrit - IG 237 (kilo 40)	
DV 876	Sgt	F. B. Henry	-do-	09.50	10.40	Kabrit - IG 237 (kilo 40)	
DV 520	P/Sgt	W. J. Pulcher	-do-	10.00	10.50	Kabrit - IG 237 (kilo 40)	
DV 512	P/O	M. G. MacKenzie	-do-	10.10	11.05	Kabrit - IG 237 (kilo 40)	
DV 649	Sgt	J. Reay	-do-	10.55	11.50	Kabrit - IG 237 (kilo 40)	

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
	DV 878	Sgt J. Gray Sgt I. B. Thomas W/O AG Sgt D. Jackson P/Gnr S. R. J. Harper (Sgt) R/Gnr Sgt R. Wilkinson	Operations Battle area	02.50	05.10	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Battle Area - IG 224. Weather good over target, 4 sticks aimed at fairly well dispersed M.T. Fire started, not definitely claimed as other aircraft were bombing at the same time. Bursts seen among M.T. Bomb load: 15 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference: 1:500000 Matruh.	
	ES 967	W/Odr J. D. Warras DFC Sgt R. J. Momo Sgt G. Soulsby W/O AG Sgt J. Reekie P/Gnr Sgt E. J. Cooney R/Gnr Sgt L. M. Mearns	Operations Battle area	03.57	05.50	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather - very good. 6 sticks - bombed dispersed M.T. Bursts seen among M.T. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference: 1:500000 Matruh.	
	DV 520	Sgt Maj. Kane Sgt C. M. Laity W/O AG Sgt R. A. McParlane P/O H. J. Reid P/Gnr A. C. Hoopy R/Gnr Sgt W. Burnham	Operations Battle area	02.50	05.05	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good. Dropped 3 sticks on dispersed M.T. in light of flares. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference: 1:500000 Matruh.	
	DV 523	Sgt V. L. Parrett P/O M. Smith Sgt P. D. M. Jackson W/O AG Sgt D. L. Moody P/Gnr Sgt R. G. Wood R/Gnr Sgt D. W. Dunham	Operations Battle area	02.57 02.58	06.14	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. No cloud, slight ground haze. Bombed in 4 sticks on widely dispersed M.T. One vehicle set on fire. All bursts seen among M.T. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference: 1:500000 Matruh.	
	DV 512	P/O G. S. Hunter Sgt W. S. Mothers Sgt J. J. H. Tynan W/O AG Sgt E. C. Hughes P/Gnr Sgt A. E. M. McColl R/Gnr Sgt J. A. Carpenter	Operations Battle area	03.10	05.35	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather fair. 2/10ths cloud at 2000'. Four sticks on well dispersed M.T. 3 fires started on last stick, one on second. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference: 1:500000 Matruh.	
	DV 649	P/L V. S. Gane Sgt R. W. Coddington Sgt E. Rowe W/O AG Sgt R. A. V. Palmer R/Gnr Sgt A. J. Wilkinson	Operations Battle Area	02.55	05.35	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good: 3 sticks among M.T. fairly closely packed. 2 fires started and an existing fire enlarged. One of the fires possibly petrol bowser. Bomb load: 12 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference: 1:500000 Matruh.	
2.9.42.	<u>"A" FLIGHT</u>						
	HX 393	P/O A. Wharton	Return to Base	15.00	15.50	Kabrit - IG 237 (kilo 40)	
	DV 893	P/Lt K. Moore Sgt S. W. Reader P/O K. S. Campbell W/O AG Sgt C. C. Chambers P/Gnr Sgt R. G. Wood R/Gnr Sgt S. S. Gray-Buchanan	Operations Battle area	23.30	02.00	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather perfect. Four sticks on widely dispersed M.T. Good illumination. 2 small fires started. Eight fires seen on leaving target area. Bomb load: 8 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference: 1:500000 Matruh.	
	HX 529	W/O D. Neal Sgt E. W. Perkins C. G. Hall (Sgt) Sgt I. J. Steel W/O AG Sgt T. J. Robinson P/Gnr Sgt A. S. Gulton	Operations Battle area	23.44	02.08	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good. 6 sticks on well dispersed M.T. Direct hits on 7 vehicles causing 4 fires. Machine gunned M.T. - 1000 rounds. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference: 1:500000 Matruh.	

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES					
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2.9.42. "A" FLIGHT - Continued.												
WELLINGTON				IS AIRCRAFT								
HP 848	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	W/O W.D.F. Ross	Operations	23.47	08.27	IG 237(kilo 40) - Battle Area - IG 237. Weather and Visibility good. 4 sticks amongst clusters of M.T. 1 fire started. No AA opposition. Nine fires seen burning in target area. Bomb load; 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.						
		Sgt S.W.G. Burton	Battle area									
		Sgt C. Whitmore										
		Sgt H.L. Lane										
		Sgt M.J. Smith (Sgt)										
DV 543	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt E.D. Chinery	Operations	23.35	08.20	IG 237(kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good. 4 sticks amongst M.T. 1 large and 1 small fire started. No AA opposition. Bomb load; 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.						
		Sgt R.C. Mitchell	Battle area									
		Sgt B.E. Heard										
		P/S S. Owens										
		Sgt H.L. Horne										
HX 483	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt G.E. Musk	Operations	23.46	08.11	IG 237(kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Visibility good. Illumination good. 2 sticks (1) on large M.T. concentration. 1 fair sized fire started. (2) same target. Bombs fell parallel, 50 yards from line of M.T. Bomb load; 10 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.						
		F/O J.D. MacKellar	Battle area									
		Sgt W.G. Sharpe										
		Sgt W.D. Storie										
		Sgt W.E. Dight										
2nd Sortie.												
DV 893	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	F/Lt K. Moore	Operations	08.20	06.20	IG 237(kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Visibility and weather good. Aimed at well dispersed M.T. illuminated by flares. Direct hit on vehicle which burst into flames. Other bursts within 50 yards. Bomb Load; 16 x 250 NIR. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.						
		Sgt S.W. Reeder	Battle area									
		F/O K.S. Campbell										
		Sgt G.C. Chambers										
		Sgt R.G. Wood										
BB 840	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt S.G. Gray-Buchanan	Operations	05.43	05.55	IG 237(kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good. Bombs amongst M.T. in target area. 4 direct hits on vehicles two possibly tanks. At least 3 fires started, one quite large. Looked like petrol bowser. Bomb Load 13 x 250 NIR. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.						
		W/O W.D.F. Ross	Battle area									
		Sgt S.W.G. Burton										
		Sgt C. Whitmore										
		Sgt H.L. Lane										
HX 483	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt M.J. Smith	Operations	08.15	05.35	IG 237(kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good. Five sticks amongst M.T. 2 fires started. Position 50.50N. 29.00E. Bomb load; 16 x 250 NIR. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.						
		Sgt E.D. Chinery	Battle area									
		F/O J.D. MacKellar										
		Sgt W.G. Sharpe										
		F/O W.E. Storie										
AD 637	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt W.E. Dight	Operations	05.15	05.50	IG 237(kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Visibility good but hazy. 7 sticks on dispersed M.T. Bursts seen amongst lorries which disintegrated. Bomb load; 16 x 250 NIR. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.						
		Sgt R.C. Mitchell	Battle area									
		W/O Noel D.										
		Sgt E.W. Markus										
		Sgt C.G. Hall										
T 2878	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt L.W. Steel	Operations	05.30	05.45	IG 237(kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Visibility good. Bombed in 7 sticks. All bursts seen except 2 fell amongst M.T. No fires. Bomb load; 16 x 250 NIR. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.						
		Sgt I.S. Robinson	Battle area									
		Sgt A. Sutton										
		Sgt H.L. Horne										
		Sgt R.C. Mitchell										
	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt B.E. Heard	Operations									
		Sgt S. Owens	Battle area									
		Sgt H.L. Horne										
		Sgt G.E. Musk										

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2.9.42.	"B" FLIGHT						
	DW 625	P/O P. Watson	Collecting A/C	09.20	10.05	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - IG 99	
	HX 508	Sgt R. H. Baker	Delivery	11.05	12.05	IG 99 - IG 237	
	ES 987	Sgt C. G. Klimke	Air Test	16.50	17.10	IG 99 - IG 237	
	DW 512	P/O M. G. MacKenzie	Operations	23.55	02.50	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle Area - IG 237. Weather good. Vis very good. 2 sticks at widely dispersed vehicles which looked like tanks. Both sticks overshoot vehicles aimed at. No AA opposition. Bomb load 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference 1,500000 Matruh	
	2nd P	P/O R. L. Cater	Battle area				
	W/O AG	Sgt J. T. O'Sullivan					
	P/O	Sgt L. J. Butson					
	P/O	Sgt L. M. Birdling					
	DW 649	Sgt C. G. Klimke	Operations	23.50	02.00	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle Area - IG 237. Weather good. 3 sticks amongst transport in light of flares. Large fire started which could be seen 50 miles after leaving target. No opposition. Bomb load 12 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference 1,500000 Matruh.	
	2nd P	Sgt P. R. Street	Battle area				
	W/O AG	Sgt J. Broadley					
	P/O	Sgt G. Young					
	P/O	Sgt J. P. Rendell					
	P/O	Sgt A. G. S. Smith					
	DW 525	Sgt P. Moran	Operations	00.15	02.50	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good. Slight ground haze. 2 sticks at large M.T. concentration. 2 fires started. No opposition. Bomb load 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference 1,500000 Matruh.	
	2nd P	Sgt R. Dorsey	Battle area				
	W/O AG	Sgt G. T. Hill					
	P/O	Sgt A. J. F. Rowe					
	P/O	Sgt M. Bethune					
	P/O	Sgt W. Jenkins					
	DW 520	P/O W. E. Puleher	Operations	00.25	02.33	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather very good. Slight ground haze. 3 sticks amongst M.T. concentrations. One large fire started, probably some smaller ones. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference: 1,500000 Matruh.	
	2nd P	Sgt P. J. Clifton	Battle area				
	W/O AG	Sgt D. G. Chackfield					
	P/O	Sgt R. T. Lewis					
	P/O	Sgt D. C. Stanger					
	P/O	Sgt D. C. Forsley					
	DW 576	S/Ldr W. A. Rankin	Operations	23.56	02.05	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. 4 sticks amongst transport in target area in light of flares and fires. 2 sticks amongst M.T. 2 fires started. On leaving target observed 7 - 8 fires - 2 too large for transport. Bomb load 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference 1,500000 Matruh.	
	2nd P	Sgt T. B. Henry	Battle area				
	W/O AG	Sgt A. R. Morris					
	P/O	Sgt J. A. Ward					
	P/O	Sgt W. C. Bull					
	P/O	Sgt J. T. Roughton					
			2nd Sortie				
	DW 576	S/Ldr W. A. Rankin	Operations	03.00	03.15	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - IG 237. Aircraft returned unserviceable for operations.	
	2nd P	Sgt T. B. Henry	Battle area				
	W/O AG	Sgt A. R. Morris					
	P/O	Sgt J. A. Ward					
	P/O	Sgt W. C. Bull					
	P/O	Sgt J. T. Roughton					
	DW 647	P/O M. G. MacKenzie	Operations	03.25	05.20	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good. Fires and flares showed position of target. Bombed in two sticks. With second stick two fires started. Bomb load 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference 1,500000 Matruh	
	2nd P	P/O R. L. Cater	Battle area				
	W/O AG	Sgt J. T. O'Sullivan					
	P/O	Sgt L. J. Butson					
	P/O	Sgt L. M. Birdling					

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5.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT						
HF 840	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	P/O S.C. Pearce Sgt H.S. Rodger P/Sgt W.M. Passababb P/Sgt D.A. Mitchell P/Sgt D.A. Miller Sgt R.M.G. Banbury	Operations Battle area	00.45	02.45	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather and visibility good. Bombed in 4 sticks at poorly dispersed M.T. illuminated by Albacores. Bursts well amongst M.T. No AA opposition. Bomb load: 18 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HS. 4000'. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
HX 529	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	S/ldr A.P. Craigie P/O P.V. Campbell P/O H.B. Turnbull Sgt R.E. Drewett Sgt G.G. Holmes Sgt S. J. Jovoy	Operations Battle area	00.50	03.00	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Good over target - slight haze. Low cloud from Wadi Matruh beacon down to 600'. Sometimes 10/10ths. Improved over base. Dropped bombs in 7 sticks including 1 SBC. Jettisoned among M.T. Vehicles fairly close together. Bursts and two red fires seen. Illumination not quite as good as usual. Seven good fires seen on target. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HS. Map ref 1:500000 Matruh.	
AD 637	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr	P/O W.W. McRae Sgt H.R. Pearson P/Sgt R.A. Lord Sgt E.A. Bowden P.V. Jeffries.	Operations Battle area	01.35	04.10	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Visibility and weather good. 4 sticks (4000') all at M.T. fairly well dispersed in target area. Bursts seen amongst M.T. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb Frag.	
HF 848	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt R.J. Momo Sgt R.W. Coddington P/O G. Soulsby Sgt J. Beekle Sgt E. J. Jovoy Sgt L.M. Meares	Operations Battle area	01.20	01.50	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - IG 237. Port engine cutting. Bombs jettisoned safe 50.12N. 50.34 E. Some bombs exploded. Containers jettisoned with 40lb HS's.	
T 2878	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt F.J. Fraser Sgt G. Coleman Sgt H.M. Gibson Sgt A.J. Sullivan Sgt J. Flood Sgt E. Bates	Operations Battle area	00.50	03.45	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Visibility and weather good. No cloud over target. Bombed in 4 sticks (5000') 1st stick at triangle of bright lights seen in area. (Possibly dummy) Rest at M.T. well dispersed. Bursts amongst M.T. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
HX 485	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	P/O J.E.L. Gover Sgt J.S. Oien P/O E.M. Mitchell Sgt J.W. Tate Sgt P. Mayton	Operations Battle area	00.45	03.25	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Visibility good. 1/10th drifting cloud at 2000'. Four sticks, bursts seen amongst fairly tightly packed M.T. Bomb load 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
HX 393	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	P/O A. Wharton P/O D.E. Beattie Sgt D.M. Martin Sgt G.W. Brand Sgt G.W. Curtis Sgt H.M. Mayrow	Operations Battle area	00.41	03.55	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Slight haze over target. Some low cloud on return. Found well dispersed M.T. and between 0205 and 0234 bombed in 9 sticks (4200' - 2700') Fourth stick started a fire. Other bombs all fell near vehicle. No opposition over target, but N.W. A/C fired on by heavy AA. Bomb load 14 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HS. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
DN 893	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	P/O J. Clark P/Sgt J. Souden Sgt F. Hall Sgt P. Martin Sgt A.E. Domes Sgt J.M. Scott	Operations Battle area	00.35	04.10	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - Crashed 1/2 mile from IG 224. General weather fair. 6 sticks all at well dispersed M.T. in target area. Bursts among M.T. Visibility very poor on return located IG 224 and made two circuits. Decided to follow road to base and crashed about 1 1/2 miles from IG 224, thought owing to pressure change. P/Gnr died of injuries. P/Sgt Souden and Sgt Hall injured. Aircraft total loss. Bomb load 13 x 250 NIR. 2 SBC 40lb HS. (3000') Map reference: 1:500000 Matruh.	

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	"B" FLIGHT						
DV 876		S/Ldr W.H. Rankin	Air Test	10.20	11.00	Local	
DV 649		P/O F. Watson	Operations	00.51	03.47	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Visibility poor. General weather good. Haze over target. 5 sticks (5000') all at M.T. very well dispersed centre of area. Bursts seen amongst M.T. and two direct hits on trucks. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NTR. 2 SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/O P/Gnr	Sgt K.H. Higgins Sgt G. Marshall Sgt H. Attwood Sgt R.T. Elliott	Battle area				
DV 647		P/Lt V.J. Gane	Operations	00.35	02.40	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Low cloud latter part of trip home to base. Bomb area well illuminated and widely dispersed M.T. Dropped bombs in four sticks - bursts amongst vehicles. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NTR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/O P/Gnr	Sgt T.W. Thomas Sgt E. Rowe Sgt R.V. Palmer Sgt G.W. Harper Sgt R. Wilkinson	Battle area				
DV 876		Sgt R. Triaks	Operations	00.35	02.45	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. No cloud, visibility good. Illumination good. Dropped bombs in 5 sticks (4000') amongst well dispersed M.T. and causing one red fire with last stick. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NTR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/O P/Gnr	Sgt R.W. Baker Sgt W. Maskeil Sgt J. Vincent Sgt R.A. Whitefield Sgt G.L. G. Loughkew	Battle area				
DV 520		Sgt M.J. Cane	Operations	00.50	02.55	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Visibility and weather good. 4 sticks (4000' - 5000') at M.T. illuminated by flares. 1st two sticks at fairly well dispersed M.T. Last stick at M.T. already burning, started large new fire. Also burst amongst M.T. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NTR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/O P/Gnr	Sgt C.R. Laity Sgt McFarlane, R.A. P/O R.J. Reid Sgt W. Harbison	Battle area				
DV 623		Perrett, V.L.	Operations	00.40	03.25	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Good over target, low cloud towards base. Bombed in 4 sticks on to M.T. dispersed in clusters. No groups closely packed. Bursts on 1st and 2nd stick started 8 air alert fires. One exploding, probably ammunition truck. No M.A. opposition. Bomb load 14 x 250 NTR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/O P/Gnr	P/O M. Smith Sgt P.D.M. Backow Sgt D.L. Moody Sgt R.G. Wood Sgt D.W. Dunham	Battle area				
DV 512		P/O G.S. Barber	Operations	00.45	02.55	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Good over target, slight haze. Fairly good illumination. M.T. much better dispersed among humpy ground. Bombed in 5 sticks (4000'). Bursts among vehicles. On 3rd stick bursts and a small red fire started. Bomb load 14 x 250 NTR. 2 SBC 40lb HE. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/O P/Gnr	Sgt W.N. Pethers Sgt J.J. H. Twyman Sgt F.C. Hughes Sgt J.M. McColl Sgt J.A. Carpenter	Battle area				
DV 607		Sgt N.G. Beadle	Operations	00.52	03.22	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. General weather very good. Four sticks amongst widely dispersed M.T. 3 fires started and one direct hit on vehicle. Bomb load: 14 x 250 NTR. (4500') Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/O P/Gnr	Sgt G.M.P. Chumney Sgt J. Blair Sgt A.J. Riddle Sgt J.M.S. Moir	Battle area				

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES					
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WELLINGTON IC AIRCRAFT												
4.9.42. "A" FLIGHT												
HX 529	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	W/O	D. Neal	20.50	23.10	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good, some low clouds near base. Flares stopped at 22.00 hours and found difficulty in finding good target. Some widely dispersed M.T. bombed with 7 sticks. Saw bursts amongst vehicles. 5 S/Ls and heavy AA 10 miles NW of area. Bomb load: 16 x 250 NIR. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.						
		Sgt	C. H. Markus									
		Sgt	C. H. Ball									
		Sgt	T. S. Robinson									
		Sgt	L. W. Staal									
HF 840	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt	D. R. Moon	21.35	23.55	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Visibility and weather good. 3 sticks (5000') at M.T. dispersed in clusters. 9 fires burning on arrival. Direct hits with first and last sticks. Last stick on what appeared to be a petrol bower. Bomb load: 16 x 250 NIR. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.						
		Sgt	T. H. Billingham									
		Sgt	P. C. McEllan									
		Sgt	D. P. Thomson									
		Sgt	G. B. Fitzgerald									
DV 543	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt	H. A. Cartois	21.04	01.04	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good. Saw large fire exploding and bombed area around this. 5 sticks started 5 large red fires and 12 small red fires. 4 S/Ls and one heavy AA gun nearby. Shells bursting 10000'. Bomb load: 16 x 250 NIR. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh. On take-off port tyre burst, and by light of flare checked up that tyre was U.S. Saw rubber hanging in ribbons. On arrival at Base, made belly landing successfully on soft sand on specially laid out flare path.						
		Sgt	T. B. Prosser									
		Sgt	A. A. Wynnes de Souza									
		Sgt	A. J. Jones									
		Sgt	A. S. Crumpton									
DV 637	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt	J. A. T. Bullock	21.08	23.58	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good. No flares being dropped at time over target. Saw fires and began bombing. Dropped four sticks on M.T. seen in depression and 2nd stick started big fire. Incendiary dropped by rear gunner started fire. Another fire started by 1st bomb of last stick. Bomb load: 16 x 250 NIR. (5000') Map ref: 1:500000 Matruh.						
		Sgt	W. D. F. Ross									
		Sgt	S. W. G. Barton									
		Sgt	J. M. Jones									
		Sgt	W. J. Lane									
HX 483	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt	D. S. Chinery	20.44	23.24	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. General weather good. Illumination good. Bombed M.T. in 6 sticks. Started large fire. Last stick started even a larger fire than the first. Area attacked was full of concentrated M.T. Most of rest of area very widely scattered M.T. 5 S/Ls and some light flak. Bomb load: 16 x 250 NIR. Map ref: 1:500000 Matruh.						
		Sgt	J. F. Taylor									
		Sgt	R. C. Mitchell									
		P/O	H. B. Turnbull									
		P/Sgt	S. J. Jones									
HX 398	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt	G. F. Meisk	20.37	22.57	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Vis and weather good. Illumination good. Bombed in 5 sticks. Violent explosion felt at 3700' by A/C, resulted from 1st stick amongst M.T. 4th stick - large orange fire started, visible for 17 min. after leaving target. 7 S/Ls and 3 light guns S.W. corner of area. Bomb load: 16 x 250 NIR. Map ref: 1:500000 Matruh.						
		P/O	J. D. MacKellar									
		P/O	W. G. Sharpe									
		P/O	W. M. Starns									
		Sgt	W. S. Light									
DV 647	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt	A. R. Wood	20.06	23.45	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. General weather good. Found less M.T. than usual. Dropped bombs in 4 sticks. 1st and 2nd sticks started fires, the 2nd a large one with red, white and green very lights shooting out of it. 5 S/Ls in cluster with heavy AA just N.E. of target. Bomb load: 16 x 250 NIR. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.						
		Sgt	R. O. Miller									
		Sgt	R. M. Baker									
		Sgt	G. E. P. Chaundy									
		Sgt	A. S. Morris									
"B" FLIGHT												
DV 647	2nd P Nav W/O AG P/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt	J. A. Ward									
		Sgt	W. C. Bull									
		Sgt	J. T. Houghton									
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1944	DV 520	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/Gnr E/Gnr	Y/Sgt W.B. Bulcher Sgt F.T. Clifton Sgt H.K. Jackson Sgt L. Fitzgerald Sgt R. Wilkinson	Operations Battle area	20.40 22.55	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Good weather apart from slight haze. No cloud. Good illumination. Dropped bombs in 4 sticks. One fire started with last stick. Bomb bursts seen amongst M.T. and near existing fires. Bomb load: 16 x 250 NTR Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
1944	DV 523	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/Gnr E/Gnr	Sgt P.B. Doran Sgt R. Dorey Sgt G.T. Hill Sgt A.P. Howe Sgt M. Deane Sgt W. Jenkins	Operations Battle area	20.58 23.08	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good. Slight ground haze. Illumination good. Bombed in 3 sticks. Four fires started and several bursts were seen near M.T. & S/Ls and some light flak. A/C unobserved. Bomb load: 16 x 250 NTR. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
1944	DV 549	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/Gnr E/Gnr	Sgt G. Klinko Sgt G. Street Sgt J. Broadley Sgt G. Rung Sgt J. Sandell Sgt A.G. Smith	Operations Battle area	20.55 23.15	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good. Vis fair. 4 sticks (4000') 1st two sticks ar dispersed M.T. in SE corner. Last two sticks at ammunition dumps in centre of target area. Bursts among M.T. 2nd stick started fire. 4th stick caused large explosion, blast felt in aircraft and fire started almost immediately. Continued exploding with large white flashes, visible for ten minutes after leaving target. Bomb load 16 x 250 NTR. Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
1944	DV 512	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/Gnr E/Gnr	P/O M. Smith P/O J. Fowler Sgt G.L. Cater Sgt J.S. Bell Sgt L. Watson Sgt L. Birdling	Operations Battle area	20.45 23.00	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good. 2 sticks at M.T. 1st at cluster which was widely dispersed. Bursts amongst M.T. 2nd stick large cluster of M.T. not so well dispersed. 3 fires started and 3 direct hits on M.T. Bomb load: 16 x 250 NTR Map reference 1:500000 Matruh.	
1944	HX 508	2nd P Nav WO/AG P/Gnr E/Gnr	Sgt R.J. Mcmo Sgt R.W. Coddington P/O G. Souleby Sgt J. Reekie Sgt F. Womsey Sgt L. Mears	Operations Battle area	20.28 23.25	IG 33W (Kilo 40) - Battle area - IG 237. Weather good over target. Illumination good. 6 sticks on M.T. 2 fires started one from first stick. Good fire and another from last stick. Bursts seen amongst M.T. Bomb load: 16 x 250 NTR. Map reference: 1:500000 Matruh.	
1944	5.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT - N I L					
1944	6.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT - N I L					
1944	2 2571	Sgt H.L. Curtois	Return to Base	10.50	11.20	Kabrit - IG 237 (Kilo 40)	
1944	HF 848	P/O F.V. Campbell	Air Test	17.50	17.50	Local	
1944	HX 529	2nd P1 Nav WO/AG P/Gnr E/Gnr	P/O S.C. Pearce Sgt H.S. Rogers P/Sgt W.D. Passarabb P/Sgt D.A. Mitchell P/Sgt D.D. Miller Sgt R.M.G. Sanbury.	Operations Tobruk	19.40 02.15	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Weather perfect. Dropped 54 flares. Out of all flares half failed. At the blits period illumination good. About 10 searchlights. Opposition normal. Load: 40 flares. Map reference 7/1(1)	

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<u>WELLINGTON I.C. AIRCRAFT</u>							
6.9.42. "A" FLIGHT - Continued							
HX 393	F/O	A. Wharton	Operations	19.43	02.23	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. General weather good. 1 stick at jetties No. 3 and 4. No results seen. 1 x 500 bomb up and dropped over Sollum. About 3 heavy gun batteries seen firing. 12 searchlights counted. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD .12 delay. Map reference: 7/1(1)	
	2nd P	P. S. Scott	Tobruk				
	Nav	D. A. Martin					
	WO/AG	Sgt J. M. Brand					
	F/Gnr	Sgt G. C. Curtis					
	R/Gnr	Sgt R. L. Wright					
HX 845	F/O	J. Clark	Operations	19.48	02.08	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Clear over target. Got good run on heading 120° on jetties. Results obscured by photo flash. 3 heavy batteries active. Moderate in accuracy and intensity. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD .12 Map reference: 7/1(1)	
	2nd P	Sgt N. L. Taylor	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt A. R. Threlfall					
	WO/AG	Sgt W. E. Bright					
	F/Gnr	Sgt J. M. Scott					
	R/Gnr						
<u>"B" FLIGHT</u>							
DV 649	S/Ldr	W. H. Hankin	Operations	19.48	02.23	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Visibility good over target. Patches of haze. 23.26 hrs. heading 040° at jetties and dock area. No results seen. Heavy AA batteries NE and SE ends of harbour. About 8 guns in each battery. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD .12 Delay. Map reference 7/1(1)	
	2nd	Sgt E. H. Higgins	Tobruk				
	Nav	P/O G. Ray					
	WO/AG	P/Sgt R. G. Marshall					
	F/Gnr	Sgt R. T. Elliott					
	R/Gnr						
DV 520	Sgt	C. G. Kilmacke	Operations	19.50	02.50	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Visibility good over target. Heading 160° at Jetty No. 4. No results seen. Heavy flak intense and accurate. 5 s/l's in cone caught and held aircraft for about 5 minutes. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD .12 Delay. Map reference 7/1(1)	
	2nd P	Sgt P. R. Street	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt J. Broadley					
	WO/AG	Sgt G. Young					
	F/Gnr	Sgt J. P. Mandell					
	R/Gnr	Sgt A. G. S. Smith					
DV 647	Sgt	R. W. Baker	Operations	19.51	02.56	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Weather perfect. Heading 180° bombed Jetty No. 5. Results not seen owing to need for violent evasive action. Caught by s/l's on bombing run and drew heavy AA. Briefly reinforced - falling now about 8 guns. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD .12 Map reference 7/1(1)	
	2nd P	Sgt G. R. P. Chaundy	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt A. R. Morris					
	WO/AG	Sgt J. A. Ward					
	F/Gnr	Sgt W. C. Bull					
	R/Gnr	Sgt J. T. Houghton					
7.9.42. "A" FLIGHT - N I.L.							
<u>"B" FLIGHT - N I.L.</u>							
8.9.42. "A" FLIGHT							
HX 529	W/O	D. Neal	Air Test	09.30	10.00	Local	
T 2571	W/O	W. D. F. Ross	Air Test	15.15	16.15	Local	
T 2878	P/O	J. D. Mackellar	Air Test	15.15	16.30	Local	
HX 529	W/O	D. Neal	Operations	21.32	02.32	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Good over target. Illumination poor. No ships seen therefore attacked 5 gun battery 4557.4156. No results seen. About 12 accurate s/l's Heavy flak accurate. Bomb load: 6 x 500 TD .12 (2 hang-up - jettisoned Sollum) Map reference 7/1(1)	
	2nd P	Sgt E. W. Marions	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt C. G. Hall					
	WO/AG	Sgt T. E. Robinson					
	F/Gnr	Sgt L. W. Small					
	R/Gnr	Sgt A. Boulton					

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	AD 657	S/Ldr A.P. Craigie Sgt T.E. Henry 2nd P F/O H.E. Turnbull Nav Sgt R.E. Grewett WO/AG Sgt R.E. Grewett F/Gnr Sgt G.C. Holmes R/Gnr Sgt E.J. Povey	Operations Tobruk	21.50	04.15	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Ground haze, no cloud over target. Cloud over coast east of Tobruk. Illumination poor after 0100 hrs. No shipping seen. 4 x 500 aimed at jetties but no results seen owing to violent evasive action. 1 x 500 dropped on 4 gun battery north of town from 5000 feet. No results seen. About 16 S/Ls very accurate. Flak light and heavy - not so accurate. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GPTD .12 Map reference: 7/1(i)	
	HF 847	F/Lt K. Moore Sgt S.W. Reeder 2nd P S/O K.S. Campbell Nav Sgt C.C. Chambers WO/AG Sgt A.H. Wood F/Gnr Sgt S.B. Gray-Buchanan R/Gnr Sgt	Operations Tobruk	21.40	04.35	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Weather good over target. Aircraft missed peak illumination period at 0100 Hrs, waited for more illumination in vain. Attempted to bomb on own flare hopeless because of S/Ls. Slightly dropped bombs along south shore of harbour into opposite jetties. Believed to have fallen in water. 12 accurate S/Ls Heavy intense flak - not very accurate. Bomb load: 6 x 500 TD .12 Map reference: 7/1(i)	
	HX 485	F/O W.W. MacRae Sgt H.R. Pearson 2nd P F/O I.G. S. Gould Nav Sgt E.H. Howden WO/AG Sgt P.V. Jeffries R/Gnr Sgt	Operations Tobruk	22.00	04.20	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Clear over target, vis. and weather good. Aimed at jetties, bursts seen near target point 9. Hang up dropped over Sollum Harbour from 6000'. One fair sized ship and two small ships. Bursts seen near and white smoke was seen for some minutes. Unusual heavy flak intense. Also light flak from ships off north shore near 11. Shaped jetty, east of 17 shaped jetty and east of naval fuel station. About 12 S/Ls round bay. Bomb load: 6 x 500 TD .12 Map reference: 7/1(i) (5 hang-ups)	
	HX 593	Sgt N.L. Stewart Sgt R.C. Mitchell 2nd P Sgt B.E. McLeod Nav S/O S. Green WO/AG Sgt H.L. Cairns F/Gnr Sgt G.E. Misk R/Gnr Sgt	Operations Tobruk	21.30	05.45	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Clear over target. At 0055 hrs aimed at ship south of jetty No. 3. Bombed in one attack on heading of 080°. No results seen. Aircraft not worried by AA. Intense AA seen. Heavy as usual - more light. Bomb load: 4 x 500 GP TD .12. Map reference: 7/1(i)	
	T 257	Sgt J.V. Fraser Sgt G. Coleman 2nd P Sgt H. McPherson Nav Sgt A.J. Sullivan WO/AG Sgt E. Bates R/Gnr Sgt	Operations Tobruk	21.40	04.15	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Weather good over target. Ship seen near 1.17 (7/1(2)) Attacked at 0115 hrs 185° in one attack. As aircraft ran up it was caught in S/Ls and results of bombing not seen owing to evasive action. About 15 S/Ls flak mainly heavy - 2 to 3 light guns. Bomb load: 6 x 500 TD Map reference: 7/1(i)	
	"B" FLIGHT						
	ES 967	Sgt R.J. Hemo	Air Test	14.35	15.40	Local	
	DW 512	F/O G.D. Hunter	Air Test	15.10	15.25	Local	
	DW 562	F/O E.A. Loos	Pe-Base	17.00	17.50	Gabrit - IG 237 (Kilo 40)	
	DW 647	Sgt M.J. Cane Sgt C.R. Laity 2nd P F/O R.A. McFarlane Nav S/O H.J. Reid WO/AG F/O A.C. Heapy F/Gnr Sgt W. Turnham R/Gnr Sgt	Operations Tobruk	21.40	05.55	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Weather good over target. No shipping seen. Attacked small fire in dock area 0120 hrs. 2900 bombs fell along shore east of docks, only bursts seen. Opposition intense and accurate, was centred on another A/C 10 to 12 S/Ls. 6 Heavy gun batteries North of town - remainder scattered around harbour inlet. Bomb load: 6 x 500 TD .12 Map reference: 7/1(i)	

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				WELLINGTON IC AIRCRAFT			
8.9.42. "B" FLIGHT - continued							
DV 876	Sgt	H. Tricks	Operations	21.36	05.40	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Clear over target, weather and visibility good. Bombs near jetty No. 1. No results seen. Heavy flak intense and accurate. Only two light guns seen firing. 8/1s as usual. 8 red balls seen in air - possibly rocket gun. Bomb load: 8 x 500 TD .12 Heading 180° Map reference: 7/1(1)	
	2nd P	Sgt J. Murphy	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt W. Maclell					
	WO/AG	Sgt J. Yident					
	P/Gnr	Sgt A. Whitefield					
DV 623	Sgt	G. Gloushkov	Operations	21.47	04.47	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. 1/10 cumulus near target which was clear. No illumination. Ship seen at 1.17 (4/1/8). In one stick 0130 hrs 090° Bombs missed by 500 yards owing to evasive action. 18 8/1s in a row along W and W edge of harbour. Intense heavy flak - fairly intense - accurate. Much light flak up to 10000'	
	2nd P	Sgt R. W. Baker	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt T. H. Thomas					
	WO/AG	Sgt P. D. M. Sackow					
	P/Gnr	Sgt D. L. Moody					
DV 647	Sgt	D. W. Dunham	Operations	21.44	04.49	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. 4/10 to 5/10 cloud over target. Arrived late over target and found no flares. Attempted to locate shipping and see harbour. Bombed on 2 small fires. No results seen. No AA. AA seen before reaching target but stopped as own aircraft came over. Bomb load: 8 x 500 TD .12 Map reference: 7/1(1)	
	2nd P	Sgt E. R. Harper	Tobruk				
	Nav	P/Sgt W. B. Fulcher					
	WO/AG	Sgt P. J. Clifton					
	P/Gnr	Sgt D. J. Blackfield					
DV 607	Sgt	R. I. Fitzgerald	Operations	21.35	01.05	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - IG 237. As aircraft was passing over post. 30.42 and 28.37E. when it was fired on by heavy AA - probably 4 guns. Aircraft was flying at 6000' and bursts were directly under A/G. Other shots followed but aircraft got away as a result of violent evasive action. Continued flying towards target when it was found by pilot, on going back to pump oil, that shrapnel had come through bomb bay and completely geodetic and oil pipe leading to the starboard engine. Bombs immediately jettisoned safe at ER position 31.10N. 27.03E. Aircraft headed for base.	
	2nd P	Sgt R. G. Beadle	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt N. S. Ayres					
	WO/AG	Sgt A. J. Riddle					
	P/Gnr	Sgt J. Weis					
HX 508	Sgt	G. M. Moir	Operations	21.35	03.35	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. 5/10ths cloud at 5000'. No Matruh. Clear over Tobruk. Met. winds good. Illumination good. 2 ships, one fairly large, seen off Naval Installation. Attacked "I" shaped jetty which also had a ship alongside. 0100 180° all bombs in one stick. Results not seen. Heavy flak fairly intense, some from outside boom. Light up to 10000' Bomb load: 6 x 500 TD .12 Map reference: 7/1(1)	
	2nd P	Sgt E. Clarke	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt G. R. P. Chaundy					
	WO/AG	Sgt E. Rowe					
	P/Gnr	Sgt R. A. V. Palmer					
DV 512	P/O	A. J. Wilkinson	Operations	21.31	04.06	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Visibility moderate. General weather fair. 0056 hrs. first flare dropped, and rest continuously till 0125 hrs. 33 flares - about 6 failures. Several late in lighting up. From 9500' to 6000' one 800 incendiaries dropped at point 4150 - 4345. Explosions seem to take place within the area covered by incendiaries and continued for some time. Intense heavy and light flak - not accurate about 12 8/1s spaced around harbour. Map reference: 7/1(1)	
	2nd P	Sgt G. B. Hunter	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt W. M. Pethers					
	WO/AG	Sgt J. J. H. Tynan					
	P/Gnr	Sgt E. C. Hughes					
ES 987	Sgt	A. H. M. McCall	Operations	21.42	04.32	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Visibility good. At 0110 aircraft was running up when port engine cut out - turned away and at 0120 hrs when running up again same engine cut again. Bombs jettisoned North of town. When near Solihun on return starboard oil pressure went to zero. Message then sent to Base - engine picked up slightly after continuous oil pumping. Flak much heavier than usual. 2 bomb hung up - was able to get rid of one. Other bomb fell out when aircraft landed. Flare to bomb docks at geodetics. Bomb load: 8 x 500 TD .12 Map reference: 7/1(1)	
	2nd P	Sgt J. A. Carpenter	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt R. J. Momo					
	WO/AG	Sgt R. W. Coddington					
	P/Gnr	P/O G. Scoble					

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9.9.42. "A" FLIGHT						
HF 840	P/O S.G.Fossey 2nd P Sgt H.S.Rodger Nav P/Sgt W.A.Bessarab W/AG S/Sgt D.A.Mitchell O/Gnr S/Sgt D.D.Miller R/Gnr S/Sgt R.W.G.Sanbury	Operations Tobruk	22.30	05.25	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. 6 - 8/10th strato cumulus tops 5000' over target and along coast. Illumination was wide of target and harbour was in darkness until 3 flares were dropped by an aircraft that had just bombed. Could see no shipping on west end of harbour. Bombed heading 5100 along S/L and heavy guns. No results seen. Considerable AA but not concentrated. Mostly heavy and much light. Bomb load: 5 x 500 TD .12 Map reference 7/1(1)	
HX 529	F/O J.D.Mackellar 2nd P Sgt W.G.Sharpe Nav P/O W.H.Storms W/AG Sgt R.B.Dight R/Gnr Sgt R.C.Fuller	Operations Tobruk	22.25	06.10	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. 5 - 7/10th cloud tops 4000'. Visibility good. Target well lit up by flares, no shipping seen searchlights weaving about and aircraft mistook position. Bombs fell in water near SAN GIOVANNI - nothing seen. AA more than usual. Light AA barrage. Bomb load: 5 x 500 TD .12 Map reference 7/1(1)	
DV 687	W/O W.D.F.Ross 2nd P Sgt S.W.G.Burton Nav Sgt J.M.Jones W/AG Sgt H.K.Lane P/Gnr Sgt M.J.Smith R/Gnr Sgt D.B.Chimney	Operations Tobruk	22.31	05.50	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. 8 - 9/10th strato Cu. over target stretching from Sollum to 20 miles W. of Tobruk. Dispersed N. off coast. All flares except three were out to sea. East of harbour at 0240 bombs on heading 150 across Naval Installations. No results seen. Opposition as usual - firing on by fairly accurate heavy AA. 5-8/12 made ineffective by cloud. Bomb load: 5 x 500 TD .12 Map reference 7/1(1)	
HX 848	Sgt D.R.Moore 2nd P Sgt T.H.Ellingham Nav Sgt F.C.McLellan W/AG Sgt R.P.Thomson R/Gnr Sgt G.M.Powell	Operations Tobruk	22.35	06.05	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Cloud from Sollum to target area V. 8/10th Cu. Tops about 5000'. Saw 4 large ship with about 4 - 5 smaller ones round it (probably barges). Ship was broad in beam and lying just off large creek S shore SW of SAN GIOVANNI. At 0235 hrs. Bombed ship 080°. Believe bombs were reasonably close - one burst just on shore. AA did not appear as intense as usual because of all aircraft going in to bomb at same time. Bomb load: 5 x 500 TD .12 Map reference 7/1(1)	
T 2878	Sgt H.L.Curtis 2nd P Sgt T.B.Prosser Nav Sgt A.A.Neves De Souza W/AG Sgt A.F.Coates P/Gnr Sgt A.E.Frampton R/Gnr Sgt H.H.F.Ballock	Operations Tobruk	22.25	06.10	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Strato Cu. 5/10th increasing tops 4000' visibility good. On run up 1 flare lit up harbour through gap in cloud and a large ship with 5 or 4 small ones was visible. At same time burst burst on shore. AA did not appear as intense as usual because of all aircraft going in to bomb at same time. Bomb load: 5 x 500 TD .12 3 flares. Map reference 7/1(1)	
HX 395	F/O A.Wharton 2nd P F/O B.S.Beattie Nav Sgt D.M.Martin W/AG Sgt J.M.Brand P/Gnr Sgt G.C.Curtis R/Gnr Sgt H.Whybrow	Operations Tobruk	22.28	05.25	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Strato Cu. 2/10th 5000'. Visibility and general weather good. Aimed at large ship off jetty VI. No results seen. Heavy flak intense and accurate. Caught in S/Ls but not held. About 3 light guns seen firing. Bomb load: 5 x 500 TD .12 Map reference 7/1(1)	
"B" FLIGHT						
DV 520	Sgt P.B.Doran	Air Test	15.40	16.20	Local	

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES.
				Up	Down		
				WELLINGTON IC AIRCRAFT			
9.9.42.	"B" FLIGHT - Continued						
	DV 649	P/O F. Watson	Operations	22.48	05.55	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Strato Cu. 5/10th tops 5000	
	2nd P	Sgt K.R. Higgins	Tobruk			Visibility fair. General weather good. Aimed at jetties and	
	Nav	P/O G. Kay				docks. No results seen. AA same as usual except for one extra	
	WO/AG	P/Sgt R.G. Marshall				gun seen on N. coast approx posn. 4150 - 4155. Astro dops	
	P/Gnr	Sgt N.R. Attwood				announced by firing stramel. Bomb load: 6 x 500 TD .12	
	P/Gnr	Sgt T.R. Elliott				Map reference 7/1(1)	
	DV 612	P/O V.G. Gane	Operations	22.30	05.20	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Strato Cu. 5/10th tops	
	2nd P	P/O C.W. Fowler	Tobruk			5000'. Visibility fair. Flares not good, no shipping seen so	
	Nav	P/O R.L. Oater				aimed at Eric. Bomb bursts not seen owing to evasive action.	
	WO/AG	Sgt J.T. O'Neil				AA as usual. 6 S/Ls. Light AA firing up come.	
	P/Gnr	Sgt L.A. Harding				Bomb load: 5 x 500 TD .12 2 flares. Map reference 7/1(1)	
	DV 876	P/O C.G. Kilmoke	Operations	22.35	05.35	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. 6 - 8/10th Strato Cu. Tops	
	2nd P	Sgt P.R. Street	Tobruk			5500'. Visibility poor. Illumination not very good - chiefly	
	Nav	Sgt J. Broadley				to east down coast. No shipping seen. Harbour ver indistinct	
	WO/AG	Sgt G. Young				Attached gun battery near target point 18. No results.	
	P/Gnr	Sgt J. Sandell				Bomb load: 5 x 500 TD .12 Map reference 7/1(1)	
	P/Gnr	Sgt A.G. Smith					
	DV 647	P/O J.K.L. Dover	Operations	22.35	05.45	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Visibility good. Cloud	
	2nd P	Sgt J. O'Neil	Tobruk			covering target. 6 flares above cloud; aimed stick at target	
	Nav	P/O E.A. Mitchell				area. Intercepted by S/Ls - no results. Bomb load: 5 x 500	
	WO/AG	Sgt J.K. Tate				TD .12 (1 hang up later jettied) Map reference 7/1(1)	
	P/Gnr	Sgt C.W. Brooks					
	P/Gnr	Sgt R. Hayton					
	EX 508	P/O J.D. Byrne	Operations	22.23	05.05	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Cloud about 4 - 5/10ths	
	2nd P	Sgt J.P. Taylor				target not illuminated. Flares were in two areas NE and SE of	
	Nav	P/Sgt R. Williams				harbour. Heading 285° bombed along dockside at 0236 hrs. Cloud	
	WO/AG	Sgt D. Jackson				covered half harbour and no results of shipping were seen.	
	P/Gnr	Sgt J. Wroughton				AA not concentrated. Two batches of S/Ls one N and one S of	
						harbour - about 15 in all. Left 3 flares over target.	
						Bomb load: 6 x 500 TD .12 4 flares. Map reference 7/1(1)	
10.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT - NIL						
	"B" FLIGHT						
	DV 647	Sgt M.J. Gane	Air Test	11.50	12.20	Local	
11.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT						
	HF 840	P/O J.C. Clark	Operations	19.18	02.45	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Sollum - IG 237. 7/10th Cu. at 6000'	
	2nd P	Sgt J.F. Taylor	Tobruk			Owing to rough running of port engine decided to attack Sollum	
	Nav	Sgt A.N. Threlfall				Light seen in middle of semi-circular block of buildings,	
	WO/AG	P/O L.S. White				probably barracks. Attacked these buildings 2355 350°	
	P/Gnr	Sgt J.M. Scott				explosions - one moderate, and one which rocked aircraft at	
						9000'. 2 to 3 heavy guns opened up after bombing - inaccurate	
						Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD .12 5 flares. (3 off racks failed)	
						Map reference 7/1(1)	

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				Up	Down		
	HX 529	W/O D. Neal 2nd P Sgt W. J. Markins Nav Sgt G. G. Hall WO/AG Sgt L. W. Staal P/Gnr Sgt W. E. Robinson R/Gnr Sgt A. Schulten	Operations Tobruk - flares	19.24	01.59	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Clear over target. Patches of cloud along coast from Sollum to near target. At 2312 dropped flares in one stick N. side of peninsula. 8 flares stuck in racks and were not released. Out of remainder 14 lit up. Jettisoned 2 of remaining 8 over target. AA normal. S/Ls good. Load: 50 flares. Map reference T(1)	
	AD 687	P/O F. V. Campbell 2nd P Sgt T. B. Henry Nav P/Sgt R. J. Lord WO/AG Sgt E. J. Hewett P/Gnr P/Sgt G. C. C. Holmes R/Gnr Sgt E. J. Povey	Operations Tobruk	19.20	02.07	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Clear over target. Cloud x Sollum. At 2320 hrs having failed to find shipping in harbour bombed heading 110° along dockside. Bursts just east of main quay area. Flak as usual - possibly more light AA. Flares good. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD .12 2 flares. Map reference: T/1(i)	
	T 2878	Sgt J. F. Fraser 2nd P Sgt G. Coleman Nav Sgt H. McPherson WO/AG Sgt A. J. Sullivan R/Gnr Sgt E. Bates	Operations Tobruk	19.20	01.55	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Clear over target. Navy on way out. General weather good. Aimed at 1 large W/V and 4 small ships near Jetty V. No results seen owing to evasive action. S/Ls in usual positions. Heavy and light flak same as usual - accurate. Illumination by flares excellent. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD .12 2 flares. Map ref: T/1(i)	
	HX 483	P/O W. W. McRae 2nd P Sgt H. R. Pennesson Nav P/O J. E. Bald WO/AG Sgt E. H. Howden R/Gnr Sgt P. V. Jeffries	Operations Tobruk	19.15	02.30	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Visibility and weather good. 23.15 aimed at large ship in centre of harbour opposite Jetty IV. No results seen owing to being dazzled by S/Ls. Fair amount of accurate light flak. Heavy same as usual. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD .12 2 flares. Map ref: T/1(i)	
	HX 393	Sgt N. L. Stewart 2nd P Sgt R. C. Mitchell Nav Sgt B. J. Hoard WO/AG P/Sgt S. Owens P/Gnr Sgt M. L. Horne R/Gnr Sgt G. R. Lusk	Operations Tobruk	19.10	02.05	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Clear over target, cloud on coast. Small ships seen near jetties. At 2315 bombed heading 090° along quay side. No definite results seen. 2 separate batteries of heavy guns along N. coast of peninsula. Bomb load: 6 x 500 TD .12. Map reference T/1(1)	
	"B" FLIGHT						
	DV 647	Sgt M. J. Cane	Air Test	11.00	11.15	Local	
	DV 625	Sgt R. L. Parrott	Ret. to Base	10.50	11.50	Rabbit - IG 237 (kilo 40)	
	DV 649	Sgt P. D. Doran 2nd P Sgt R. Dorcy Nav Sgt G. J. Hill WO/AG Sgt A. J. F. Rowe R/Gnr Sgt W. Jenkins	Operations Tobruk	19.20	05.10	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Visibility good. 1 stick aimed at large ship in centre of harbour off Jetty No. 4 pointing 045°. Bomb bursts not seen - no results. Considerable light AA up to 10000'. S/Ls 5-6 in come up to 9000'. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD .12. 2 flares. Map ref: T/1(i)	
	DV 512	S/Ldr W. S. Hankin 2nd P Sgt W. H. Peters Nav Sgt J. H. Wynn WO/AG Sgt A. H. McColl P/Gnr Sgt E. C. Hughes R/Gnr Sgt J. A. Carpenter	Operations Tobruk	19.15	02.15	IG 237 (kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. Visibility good. 1 stick aimed at 1 large and 2 small ships in W. end of harbour 435-4355 well lit up by flares. Bombs not seen to burst but smoke seen to rise from water E. of ships. Defences appeared to be lighter than usual. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD .12 2 flares. Map reference: T/1(i)	

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				Up	Down		
			WELLINGTON	IC	A	AIRCRAFT	
11.9.42.	"B" FLIGHT - Continued						
	DV 876	Sgt H. Tricks	Operations	19.13	05.05	LG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - LG 237. Weather and visibility good. Aimed at petrol installations Jetty VI. Bursts seen on land. Heavy and light flak about same as usual. What appeared to be rocket gun firing north of target point 6.	
	2nd P	Sgt J. Murphy	Tobruk			Bomb load; 5 x 500 GP TD.12 2 flares (both failed) Map ref: 7/1(i)	
	Nav	Sgt W. Maskell					
	WO/AG	Sgt J. Vincent					
	P/Gnr	Sgt R. A. Whitefield					
	R/Gnr	Sgt R. Wilkinson					
	HX 508	Sgt E. Clarke	Operations	19.13	01.50	LG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - LG 237. 3-4/10th cloud developing to 7/10 most of the way. One stick 25.17 hrs 180° Bombs supposed to have fallen across naval fuel jetty. Illumination very good. AA opposition unchanged. 1 A/C seen caught in 10 S/Ls. Bomb load; 5 x 500 GP TD.12 2 x flares (both worked) Map reference 7/1(i)	
	2nd P	Sgt T. H. Thomas	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt E. Rowe					
	WO/AG	Sgt A. J. Wilkinson					
	R/Gnr	Sgt R. A. V. Palmer					
	DV 562	Sgt R. J. Momo	Operations	19.08	02.10	LG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - LG 237. Clear over target. Scattered cloud along coast at 5000' Sollum to Tobruk. No flares over harbour itself. One stick North - another East, but light illuminated to a certain extent. Aimed at large ship lying off jetties, 25.15 hrs 150° one stick - column of smoke seen to rise from area aimed at. AA not quite as intense as previously. Bomb load; 5 x 500 GP TD.12 2 flares - both worked. Map reference 7/1(i).	
	2nd P	Sgt R. W. Coddington	Tobruk				
	Nav	P/O G. Galsby					
	WO/AG	Sgt J. Reekie					
	P/Gnr	Sgt E. J. Cooney					
	R/Gnr	Sgt S. R. J. Harper					
	DV 647	Sgt Y. J. Cane	Operations	19.19	02.05	LG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - LG 237. Clear over target. 5/10 to 6/10 cloud at 6000' along coast. Illumination very good aimed at two medium ships lying due south of Mengar Shamsak 25.15 300° Bursts seen between ships and shore. Heavy flak fairly accurate. Rocket guns in action. Bomb load; 5 x 500 GP TD.12 2 flares - both worked. Map reference 7/1(i)	
	2nd P	Sgt C. R. Laity	Tobruk				
	Nav	P/Sgt R. A. McFarlane					
	WO/AG	Sgt D. Jackson					
	P/Gnr	P/O A. C. Meany					
	R/Gnr	Sgt W. Turnham					
12.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT						
	AD 637	Sgt W. C. Sharpe	Delivery	13.10	14.00	LG 237 (Kilo 40) - 5 A.R.U.	
	HX 483	P/Lt E. Moore	Air Test	13.20	14.10	LG 237 - Rayid	
				14.50	15.10	Rayid - Shallufa	
				18.00	18.50	Shallufa - LG 237	
	"B" FLIGHT - N I L						
13.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT						
	T 2571	W/O W. D. F. Ross	Air Test	17.00	17.30	Local	
	T 2571	W/O W. D. F. Ross	Operations	19.19	02.15	LG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - LG 237. Visibility fair to heavy. 1 stick - 10000', 150°. Aimed at vicinity of ERIC, bomb bursts not seen, no results. Aircraft not attacked by defences but AA as usual, heavy to 15000'. 1 A/C left target area large fire burning in town area, 2305 Hours.	
	2nd P	Sgt G. W. G. Burton	Tobruk			Bomb load; 5 x 850 lb. 5 can 40lb. Map reference 7/1	
	Nav	Sgt J. M. Jones					
	WO/AG	Sgt H. L. Lane					
	P/Gnr	Sgt M. J. Smith					
	R/Gnr	Sgt D. S. Chinery					

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				UP	DOWN		
	HF 848	P/O S.C. Pearce 2nd P Sgt H.S. Rodger NAV F/Sgt W.M. Bassarabb WO/AG F/Sgt D.A. Mitchell F/Gnr F/Sgt D.D. Miller R/Gnr Sgt R.M.G. Banbury	Operations Tobruk	19.20	02.20	IG 237 (Kilo 40) - Tobruk - IG 237. 7/10th cloud over target, tops about 4000'. Owing to difficulty of seeing target decided to bomb ERIO. 2 stick - results seen - one fire. Intense AA especially from North shore and peninsula. Little from south shore. Just as aircraft was leaving target 2332 hrs. a very big explosion and flash from target. Only one flare seen at Tobruk. 2250 small flashes seen south shore like small arms firing. Bomb load: 5 x 250 GP NIR 3 SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference: 7/1(1)	
	HX 529	S/Ldr A.F. Craigie 2nd P F/O J.D. MacKellar NAV F/O W.M. Sterna WO/AG Sgt R.P. Thomson F/Gnr Sgt R.O. Fuller R/Gnr	Operations Tobruk	19.14	02.29	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Carried out special recon for one hour. Nothing to report. One stick 2338 hrs aimed at gun position NE of town. Results obscured by cloud. Evasive action made observation difficult. Much flak as usual. Rocket guns active. At 2350 hrs very violent explosion from south shore. 5 to 7/10 Cumulus. Bomb load: 7 x 250 NIR. 3 SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference 7/1(1)	
	T 2878	Sgt H.L. Curtois 2nd P Sgt T.B. Prosser NAV Sgt A.M. Mendes De Souza WO/AG Sgt A.T. Coles F/Gnr Sgt A.S. Frampton R/Gnr Sgt J.H.T. Bullock	Operations Tobruk Souza	19.28	02.28	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Strato Cu. 5/10 tops 8000'. lat stick 2300 hrs. NW Corner of harbour - bursts seen. 2nd stick 2320 hrs. West of Mol jetty - bursts seen. 3rd stick 2330 hrs west end of town - bursts only seen. Flak about same as usual. Bomb load: 5 x 250 GP NIR. 3 x SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference 7/1(1)	
	HX 483	W/Odr J.D. Warne 2nd P Sgt J.F. Taylor NAV F/Sgt R.J. Williams WO/AG Sgt D. Jackson F/Gnr Sgt P. Hayton R/Gnr	Operations Tobruk	19.14	02.14	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. 6 - 7/10 tops 5000'. Base 4000'. Visibility good. Weather good apart from cloud. Being recon aircraft looking for ground signals decided to bomb first and then go below cloud - impossible to pick up any signal above cloud. Bombed on heading 276° in target area. Bursts seen. Flew to south shore near Marsa El Chaite and followed coast at 100 ft. No good as could not see from below cloud. Very large explosion at about 2320 hrs, lit up whole sky, impossible to give position. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP. 3 x SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference 7/1(1)	
	HX 395	F/O A. Wharton 2nd P Sgt W.G. Sharpe NAV Sgt D.M. Martin WO/AG Sgt J.M. Brand F/Gnr Sgt A.R. Wood R/Gnr Sgt H. Whybrow	Operations Tobruk	19.18	02.05	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Good over target. Approx 2/10 Bay 3 sticks along North of North shore of harbour. AA very active and intense but less accurate. 2312 Just North of Marsa Umm big fire and explosions. Bomb load: 5 x 250 GP TD NIR Map reference 7/1(1)	
	"B" FLIGHT						
	IV 607	Sgt P.B. Doran	Ret. to Base	11.30	12.30	Abait - IG 237.	
	IV 820	F/Sgt W.B. Fulcher	Air Test	12.25	12.00	Local	
	IV 876	Sgt G.C. Klimcke	Air Test	12.00	12.15	Local	

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(0472) Wp. 24220/1550. 1806. 8/40. P.L. 81-7781.		FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1942.		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT		REFERENCES				
DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME						
				Up	Down					
WELLINGTON IV AIRCRAFT										
13.9.42. "B" FLIGHT - Continued										
	DV 647	Sgt K. Clarke	Operations	19.15	02.35	1G 237 - Tobruk - 1G 237. 4/10ths Cu. Tops 5000'. Visibility good. slight haze. Bombed in 3 sticks. 1st stick fell in town area - bursts seen, no results. 2nd stick fell in petrol dump J.15 started large red fire with explosions, still burning 1 hour later and seen 70 miles from target. 3rd stick - aimed at fire caused by 2nd stick - burst seen, no results. Defences same as usual. Aircraft had bursts very near - flak very high. A terrific flash seen at 2335 hrs., at base of harbour. Bomb load: 5 x 250 GP 3 x SBC 40lb Frag. Map ref: 7/1				
	2nd P	Sgt H.S. Ayres	Tobruk							
	Nav	Sgt K. Rowe								
	WO/AG	Sgt A.J. Wilkinson								
	P/Gnr	Sgt R.A. Palmer								
	R/Gnr	Sgt R.A. Whitefield								
	DV 520	P/Sgt W.S. Pulcher	Operations	19.35	03.00	1G 237 - Tobruk - 1G 237. 5/10ths Cu. Tops 4000'. Visibility good - haze. Owing to port engine nacelle covering being loose and vibrating, first noticed on way out soon after passing Wadi Matruh, decided to bomb in one stick. Bursts seen. Flak about as usual. Large fire near target point 10 at 2325, looked like petrol fire. Exploded with terrific flash. Bomb load: 5 x 250 GP TD 3 SBC 40lb HE. Map ref: TI(1)				
	2nd P	Sgt F.J. Clifton	Tobruk							
	Nav	Sgt D.G. Chacksfield								
	WO/AG	Sgt R.T. Gria								
	P/Gnr	Sgt L. Fitzgerald								
	R/Gnr	Sgt R. Wilkinson								
	DV 623	Sgt V.L. Parrett	Operations	19.26	03.38	1G 237 - Tobruk - 1G 237. 3/10 Tops 4000'. Visibility good. Bombed in 3 sticks - fell in town area all bursts seen. 2nd stick caused large red fire which kept exploding 414.435 Heavy and light AA - Heavy as usual. At 23:14 terrific glow and flash up to about 1000' 414.435. Bomb load: 5 x 250 GP 3 SBC 40lbs. Map ref: 7/1(1)				
	2nd P	P/O M. Smith	Tobruk							
	Nav	Sgt F.D.M. Backow								
	WO/AG	Sgt D.L. Moody								
	P/Gnr	Sgt L.J. Watson								
	R/Gnr	Sgt D.W. Dunham								
	DV 876	Sgt C.G. Klimke	Operations	19.50	03.05	1G 237 - Tobruk - 1G 237. 6/10th Cu. Tops 5000'. Visibility moderate. 1st stick 2312 160° aimed at dock area started large fire at or near target point 13. Big explosion from this fire 2325. 2nd stick same area and heading. No results. Flak severe - intense and fairly accurate. Power 3/1s than before. Bomb load: 5 x 250 GP NIR 3 x SBC 40lb Frag.				
	2nd P	Sgt P.R. Street	Tobruk							
	Nav	Sgt J. Broadley								
	WO/AG	Sgt M. Bechane								
	P/Gnr	Sgt J.F. Lundell								
	R/Gnr	Sgt A.G.S. Smith								
	DV 649	P/O F. Watson	Operations	19.27	02.47	1G 237 - Tobruk - 1G 237. 4-5/10ths Cu. Base 5000'. Visibility moderate. 3 sticks - all fell in town area, bursts of 1st stick seen only. First stick may have started fire 414.435 Defences intense, several holes in aircraft, many bursts heard and cordite could be smelt. At 2320 violent explosion seen at base of harbour. Bomb load: 7 x 250 GP NIR 3 SBC 40lb Map ref: 7/1				
	2nd P	Sgt E.H. Higgins	Tobruk							
	Nav	P/O G. Kelly								
	WO/AG	P/Sgt R.G. Marshall								
	P/Gnr	Sgt H.H. Atwood								
	R/Gnr	Sgt T.R. Elliott								
	DV 512	Sgt R.W. Baker	Operations	19.29	02.50	1G 237 - Tobruk - 1G 237. About 5/10th cloud. 2 sticks along area near N. shore of harbour. Bursts seen. At 2320 hrs saw a very big flash and explosion in area believed to be Maria Ram dying down to small fire. Fire also seen near ERIC. Bomb load: 5 x 250 GP NIR 3 x SBC 40lb HE. Map ref: 7/1(1)				
	2nd P	Sgt G.R. Pughandry	Tobruk							
	Nav	Sgt A.R. Morris								
	WO/AG	Sgt J.A. Ward								
	P/Gnr	Sgt W.C. Bull								
	R/Gnr	Sgt J.T. Houghton								

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	DV 562	Sgt N.G. Beadle 2nd P Sgt T.W. Thomas NAV Sgt A.J. Riddle WO/AG Sgt J. Weir P/Gnr Sgt S.R.J. Harper R/Gnr Sgt J.M.S. Moir	Operations Tobruk	19.20	02.40	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. 7/10ths Strato Cu. Base 2-5000'. Visibility and general weather good. 1st stick west of target point 12. Bursts only. 2nd stick west of target point 13. No results seen. AA rather less than usual. 5/Ls working in cones light flak working in conjunction. 2325 saw very large explosion which lit up whole sky. Unable to give exact position - thought North shore NE of town. Bomb load: 5 x 250 GP TD. 5 SBC 40lb Frag. Map ref: 7/1(i)	
	HX 508	P/Lt V.G. Gane 2nd P P/O C.W. Fowler NAV P/O R.L. Gasser WO/AG Sgt J.T.O. Bell R/Gnr Sgt L.M. Birdling.	Operations Tobruk	19.25	02.15	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Visibility good. - slight haze on return journey. 1st stick - aimed at gun position NE of town No results. 2nd stick - same aiming point - no results. 3rd stick - same aiming point. No results. Flak much as usual. 8 5/Ls seen. Violent explosion from area 4345.4132 at 2325 hours. Bomb load: 7 x 250 NIR 3 SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference 7/1(i)	
14.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT						
	T 2571	P/O F.V. Campbell	To Kabrit	13.00	13.50	IG 237 - Kabrit (Repairs)	
	"B" FLIGHT						
	DV 520	S/Ldr W.H. Rankin	Circuits & Landings	14.30	15.15	Local	
15.9.42	"A" FLIGHT - N I L						
	"B" FLIGHT - N I L						
16.9.42	"A" FLIGHT						
	T 2571	P/O F.V. Campbell	Return to Base	16.45	17.45	Kabrit - IG 237.	
	HF 848	Sgt D.R. Moom	Air Test	11.30 14.15	12.30 15.15	IG 237 - Payid Payid - IG 237	
	HX 529	P/O J. Clark 2nd P Sgt J.F. Taylor NAV Sgt A.M. Trolfall WO/AG P/O L.S. White R/Gnr Sgt J.M. Scott	Operations Tobruk	19.15	01.55	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Visibility and general weather good Aimed at jetties. Bursts seen well in dock area - all on land Heavy flak same as usual and fairly accurate. Light tracer being fired up to 12000'. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD. 12 2 flares (both 4/s) Map reference 7/1(i)	
	HF 848	Sgt D.R. Moom 2nd P Sgt J.S. Oien NAV Sgt F.C. McLellan WO/AG Sgt R.P. Thomson R/Gnr Sgt G. McDowell	Operations Tobruk	19.13	02.43	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Weather good. Patches of 4 - 8/10th cloud on the way out. At 2300 heading 080° bombed in one stick on to quayside. Bursts seen. AA appeared to be as intense as usual. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD. 12. Map reference 7/1(i)	

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			WELLINGTON	IC	AIRCRAFT		
16.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT - Continued						
	T 2878	Sgt F. J. Fraser Sgt G. Coleman Sgt R. McPherson Sgt E. Bates Sgt R. W. Frearson	Operations Solihull	19.20	01.50	IG 237 - Solihull - IG 237. Visibility and weather good. 2 - 3/10th coastal cloud. Owing to inter-bomb failure decided to bomb Solihull. 6,000' heading 090° at barrack buildings on top of escarpment just N. of town. Bursts seen, bombs overshot. 2 heavy guns - fairly accurate. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GPTD. 12 2 flares (only 1 lit up) Map reference: 1:500,000 N. 11.1	
	HX 395	F/Lt K. Moore Sgt S. W. Reeder P/O A. S. Campbell Sgt C. C. Chambers Sgt A. E. Wood Sgt A. B. Gray-Buchanan.	Operations Tobruk	19.15	02.15	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Visibility and general weather good. 1 stick at large ship in centre of harbour opposite jetty No. 5. Bursts seen just off end of batteries on southern shore. Slightly less heavy flak than usual. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GPTD. 12 2 flares (1 lit up) Map reference T/1(i)	
	"B" FLIGHT						
	DV 562	F/Sgt W. B. Pulcher Sgt P. J. Clifton Sgt D. G. Chacksfield Sgt R. T. Eria Sgt L. Fitzgerald Sgt E. Wilkinson	Operations Tobruk	19.20	02.10	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Weather good - slight haze. At 22.28 bombed in one stick heading 800° Bombs fell on S. shore. Bursts only. Intense heavy and light AA. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD. 12 Map reference T/1(i)	
	HX 508	Sgt R. J. Jones Sgt G. R. P. Chaundy P/O G. Gableby Sgt J. Reekie Sgt E. J. Conroy Sgt J. W. S. Moir	Operations Tobruk	19.25	02.00	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Visibility and general weather good. No cloud. Aimed at jetties - no results seen. Thought bombs overshot. No illumination by flares over target area at 23.00 hours. Heavy flak as usual - not as accurate. 8/1s not working in cones. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD. 12 2 flares. Map reference T/1(i)	
	DV 623	Sgt M. J. Cane Sgt M. S. Ayres Sgt R. A. Macarlane P/O R. J. Reid P/O A. C. Reddy Sgt W. Turnbull	Operations Tobruk	19.25	02.30	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. General weather good. Aimed at jetties. No results seen owing to evasive action. Flak as intense and accurate as usual. About 7 8/1s counted. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD. 12 Map reference T/1(i)	
	DV 676	Sgt H. Tricks Sgt J. Murphy Sgt W. Maclellan Sgt J. Vincent Sgt R. A. Whitefield Sgt G. J. Loshkov	Operations Tobruk	19.20	01.50	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Clear. Began dropping flares 22.58 hours. First flares slightly to the North, second batch over West end of harbour. Load: 50 flares on racks - 6 flares inside. Map reference T/1(i)	
	DV 607	Sgt P. B. Doran Sgt R. Doray Sgt G. T. Hill Sgt A. J. F. Rowe Sgt M. Bethune Sgt W. Jenkins	Operations Tobruk	19.25	22.45	IG 237 - IG 237. Owing to elevator u/s and starboard engine losing revs. A/C was losing height at an indicated air speed of 100 m.p.h. Decided to abandon task. 1 x 500 GPTD jettisoned safe at 3020N - 2835E to see whether aircraft would maintain height. This did not help. 5 x 500 GPTD jettisoned at position 3035N - 2820E. Bursts seen. Turned back at 21.01 hours position 3035N - 2740E.	
17.9.42	"A" FLIGHT - N I L						
	"B" FLIGHT						
	DV 607	Sgt N. G. Beadle	Air Test	10.10	11.00	Local	

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	DV 520	P/O F. Watson	Ret. to Base	17.20	18.10	Kabrit - IG 237	
18.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT						
	W 5650	P/O S.C. Pearce	Air Test	17.00	18.00	Local	
	T 2571	W/O W.D. F. Ross	Operations	19.20	02.05	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. 8/10ths cloud over target. Visibility and general weather good. Aimed at 3 ships off South shore opposite target point 18. On large ship, north of these ships in centre of harbour. Rear gunner saw bursts - one larger than the rest and debris thrown into the air. Heavy flak as intense as usual but not so accurate. Light AA same. 8/Ls round west end of harbour not effective. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD .12 2 flares. Map ref: T/1	
	2nd P Nav W/AG F/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt S.W.G. Burton Sgt J.M. Jones Sgt H.M. Lane Sgt M.J. Smith Sgt D.B. Chinery	Tobruk				
	HX 529	W/O D. Neal	Operations	19.15	01.45	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. 4/10ths cloud over target. Vis. fairly good. No shipping seen, attacked gun positions north of town. 305200. Illumination not good. Flares well away from target. Bomb bursts followed by whitish blue flashes - and 2 8/Ls were extinguished. Light AA working with 8/Ls. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD. Map reference: T/1(1)	
	2nd P Nav W/AG F/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt E.W. Marlas Sgt C.G. Hall Sgt T.B. Robinson Sgt L.W. Staal Sgt A. Boulton	Tobruk				
	HX 393	P/O A. Wharton	Operations	19.18	02.07	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Visibility and general weather good. Illumination poor, all flares dropped to West of target. Target difficult to find - no ships definitely identified. Bombed in 1 stick (2 hang-ups) 3:04:30 aiming at dock area - no results. Hang ups only disengaged after leaving target. Dropped on Sollum. Bursts seen North of Jetty. AA not as intense as usual. 7 8/Ls. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD Map reference T/1(4)	
	2nd P Nav W/AG F/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt E.S. Beattie Sgt D.M. Martin Sgt J.M. Brand Sgt T.L. Thomson Sgt H. Mayhew	Tobruk				
	T 2878	Sgt H.L. Curtois	Operations	19.21	21.01	IG 237 - IG 237. After take off aircraft started juddering bomb doors found to be ajar, pumping would not close them. aircraft would not maintain height as less than 21 1/2 boost 1 bomb jettisoned - performance slightly improved but decided to turn back owing to high petrol consumption. Remainder of bombs (4 x 500 GP TD) jettisoned 30.15N 29.58E A/C was then able to maintain height but not climb. On landing it was discovered that fabric had been torn off from centre section, port side upper surface.	
	2nd P Nav W/AG F/Gnr R/Gnr	Sgt T.E. Prosser Sgt A.K. Newnes De Souza Sgt A.T. Coles Sgt A.E. Frampton Sgt J.H.T. Bullock	Tobruk Souza				
	"B" FLIGHT						
	DV 623	Sgt V.L. Parrett	Air Test	11.10	11.50	Local	
	DV 876	F/Lt V.G. Gane	Air Test	09.30	10.00	Local	
	DV 607	Sgt K.G. Beadle	Operations	19.20	01.50	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Sollum - weather very good. A/C did not attack primary target owing to bad juddering and loss of air speed. Bombs dropped in one stick over Sollum across headland - great cloud of white smoke seen which seemed slow to disperse. No shipping seen. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD .12 Map reference: T/1	
	2nd P Nav W/AG F/Gnr	Sgt T.W. Thomas F/Sgt E.A. McFarlane Sgt J. Weib Sgt J.M.S. McIvor	Tobruk (Attacked Sollum)				

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				UP	DOWN		
			WELLINGTON		IC AIRCRAFT		
18.9.42. "B" FLIGHT - Continued							
	HX 508	Sgt K. Clarke	Operations	19.24	01.44	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Visibility good - slight ground haze One stick aimed at jetties. Aimed made difficult by cloud. No results seen. Flak as usual, about 10 S/Ls. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD.12 Map reference T/1(1)	
	2nd P	Sgt N.S. Ayres	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt E. Rowe					
	WO/AG	Sgt R.A.V. Palmer					
	R/Gnr	Sgt R. Wilkins on					
	DV 623	Sgt V.L. Parrett	Operations	19.23	02.28	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. 8/10ths Str. Cu. Base 2-3000' Visibility and general weather good. 1 bomb jettisoned at 30.40'W 27.30'E as aircraft could not maintain height. Engine cowling fell off - aircraft rapidly losing height. Remaining 4 bombs on south shore East of Bardia road. A/C fired on by AA. Much light flak and heavy same as usual. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD.12 2 flares. Map ref: T/1	
	2nd P	Sgt D. Ross	Tobruk				
	Nav	F/Sgt R.J. Williams					
	WO/AG	Sgt D.L. Moody					
	F/Gnr	Sgt R.G. Wood					
	R/Gnr	Sgt D.W. Dunham					
	DV 876	F/lt V.G. Gane	Operations	19.20	01.20	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. 4/10th Str. Cu. and some haze over target. General weather good. Stationary ship, about 10000' tons, seen off Mersa Belafrit. After circling six times aircraft attacked in one stick. Steady run up, but moon was in such a position that it was not possible to see bursts. No opposition. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD .12 Map reference T/1	
	2nd P	F/O C.W. Fowler	Tobruk				
	Nav	F/O R.L. Gaiser					
	WO/AG	Sgt J.T.O. Bell					
	F/Gnr	Sgt L.J. Hutson					
	R/Gnr	Sgt L.M. Birdling					
	DV 520	Sgt C.G. Klimke	Operations	19.15	02.30	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Bank of cloud 2800' - 3000' stretching across target. Visibility poor. Attacked jetties 1 stick 2000 bursts seen in dock area - no other results. AA moderate. 11 S/Ls coming over harbour. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD Map reference T/1.	
	2nd P	Sgt P.R. Street	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt J. Broadley					
	WO/AG	Sgt M. Broadley					
	R/Gnr	Sgt J.F. Mundell					
19.9.42. "A" FLIGHT							
	W 5650	F/O J. Clark	Air Test	14.20	15.00	Local	
	T 2571	F/O J.E.L. Gover	Operations	20.55	02.10	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Clear over harbour. Up to 10/10ths between Sollum and target. Heading 270° bombed dockside. Bombs belted fell base of jetty No. 5. Opposition as usual. 10 S/Ls Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD. Map reference T/1(1)	
	2nd P	Sgt J.S. Oien	Tobruk				
	Nav	F/O E.W. Mitchell					
	WO/AG	Sgt J.W. Tate					
	F/Gnr	Sgt C.W. Brooks					
	R/Gnr	Sgt P. Hayton					
	W 5650	F/O J. Clark	Operations	20.15	03.30	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Strato Cu. 6/10ths Tops 3000' Vis and general weather good. Bombed across end of main jetties bursts seen. Flak about same as usual - fairly accurate. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD .12 Map reference T/1(1)	
	2nd P	Sgt S.A. Scrimbeur	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt A.H. Threlfall					
	WO/AG	F/O L.S. White					
	F/Gnr	Sgt A.R. Wood					
	R/Gnr	Sgt J.M. Scott					
	HX 529	F/O F.V. Campbell	Operations	20.18	03.03	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Some broken cloud over harbour. Heading 220° across jetty No. 5 3 bursts seen on land - end of stick in water. On making turn saw two fires one on dock side the other off jetties - probably a ship. 2 large palls of black smoke drifting across harbour. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD.12 Map reference T/1(1)	
	2nd P	Sgt T.B. Henry	Tobruk				
	Nav	F/Sgt R.T. Lord					
	WO/AG	Sgt R.S. Drewett					
	F/Gnr	Sgt G.C.C. Holmes					
	R/Gnr	Sgt E.J. Povey					

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	HX 595	P/O J.D. MacKellar	Operations	20.18	02.58	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. 5-7/10th cu. with some big breaks Tops 4000' Visibility fair. General weather good. Bombed across main jetties heading 255° No results seen. Heavy and light AA same as usual. 5/15 same as usual. Bomb load 5 x 500 GP TD Map reference 7/1(i)	
	2nd P	Sgt S.H. Reeder	Tobruk				
	Nav	P/O W.H. Sterns					
	WO/AG	Sgt W.E. Bight					
	P/Gnr	Sgt R.O. Fuller					
	R/Gnr	Sgt R.P. Thomson.					
	"B" FLIGHT						
	DV 507	S/Ldr W.H. Rankin	Operations	20.15	03.35	IG 237 - Bardia - IG 237. Cumulus coastal cloud 8/10 Base 3000' Visibility and general weather good. As aircraft would not climb higher than 3000' dropped two bombs on Bardia. It took some time to locate Bardia - too late to continue to Tobruk so dropped remaining bombs over Bardia. Heavy flak bursting well above aircraft. 1st stick - nothing seen. 2nd stick burst seen followed by several smaller bursts. 1000 Lost on return trip unable to obtain QDM's. Sent SOS. Then obtained pin point and immediately cancelled SOS. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD Map reference 7/1(i)	
	2nd P	P/O G.B. Hunter	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt J.J.H. Fryman					
	WO/AG	Sgt A.H.H. McColl					
	R/Gnr	Sgt J.A. Carpenter					
	HX 508	P/O F. Watson	Operations	20.22	03.22	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. 2/10ths cloud over harbour. At 2359 hours heading 090° aimed for dockside but owing to fault on distributor some bombs fell east of town. Stick spread. AA intense. From ERIC - 8 guns. Bomb load: 6 x 500 GP TD .12 Map reference: 7/1(i)	
	2nd P	Sgt K.H. Higgins	Tobruk				
	Nav	P/O G. Ray					
	WO/AG	F/Sgt T.R. Elliott					
	R/Gnr	Sgt R.G. Marshall					
	DV 876	Sgt R.W. Baker	Operations	20.20	03.05	IG 237 - Tobruk - IG 237. Cumulus 4/10th at 4000' Visibility and general weather good. One stick just west of main quay, two bomb bursts seen on land. Heavy and light AA as usual. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD .12 2 flares Map ref: 7/1(i)	
	2nd P	Sgt G.R.P. Chaundy	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt A.R. Morris					
	WO/AG	Sgt J.A. Ward					
	P/Gnr	Sgt W.C. Bull					
	R/Gnr	Sgt J.T. Houghton					
	HF 840	Sgt H.L. Curtois	Operations	20.31	-	Aircraft missing from operations. No news after 00.26 hours after S.O.S. position 70 to 80 miles south of Morse Matruch.	
	2nd P	Sgt T.B. Prosser					
	Nav	Sgt A.K. Newnes De Souza					
	WO/AG	Sgt A.T. Coles					
	P/Gnr	Sgt A.E. Frampton					
	R/Gnr	Sgt J.H.T. Bullock					
20.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT						
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	"B" FLIGHT						
	DV 649	Sgt G.R.P. Chaundy	To Kabrit	11.00	12.00	IG 237 - Kabrit (15.9.42. - for repairs)	
	DV 649	Sgt P.B. Doran	Return to Base	14.25	15.30	Kabrit - IG 237	
	DV 607	Sgt P.B. Doran	To Kabrit	16.20	17.20	IG 237 - Kabrit	

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21.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT						
	HF 848	Sgt T.E. Billingham	Air Test	11.00	11.40	Local	
	T 2571	Sgt J.F. Taylor	Operations	22.55	01.55	IG 237 - AIG 104 - IG 237. Good and clear over target. 2 sticks. 1st across LG. No fires. 2nd stick across dispersed aircraft East of LG. No fires started. 3 Heavy batteries firing - accurate. Some light inaccurate. No searchlights. Bomb load: 12 x 250 GP NIR. 2 x 250 LD. 1 x SBC 41b Inc. Map reference: D/15	
	2nd P	Sgt K.D. Laird	AIG 104				
	Nav	Sgt R.C. MacLellan					
	WO/AG	Sgt R.P. Thomson					
	R/Gnr	Sgt G. McDowell					
	W 5650	P/O S.C. Pearce	Operations	22.50	02.00	IG 237 - AIG 104 - IG 237. Good and clear over target. Very slight ground haze - did not hamper visibility. Bombed in 2 sticks. 1st - 3 bursts on main runway. 2nd across railway and south part of east dispersal. Bursts only seen. One heavy battery seen on road, fairly accurate. 3 light guns hose-firing from south of IG. No searchlights. Bomb load: 12 x 250 GP NIR. 2 x 250 LD. 1 x SBC 41b Inc. Map reference: D/15	
	2nd P	Sgt J.S. Oien	AIG 104				
	Nav	P/Sgt R.J. Williams					
	WO/AG	Sgt D.A. Mitchell					
	R/Gnr	Sgt D.D. Miller					
	R/Gnr	Sgt R.M.C. Bannbury					
	HF 848	Sgt T.E. Billingham	Operations	22.32	03.07	IG 237 - AIG 20 - IG 237. Good and clear over target. AIG 104 seems empty of aircraft. By light of flares aircraft seen on AIG 20, attacked them. 2 sticks. 1st across dispersed aircraft north of AIG 20. One red fire started. 2nd stick - ran up on fire burning on AIG, not a good run as hydraulics had been shot up on first run. 3 Heavy guns round IG 20, 4 light NE corner. Bomb load: 12 x 250 GP NIR. 2 x 250 LD. 1 SBC 41b Inc. Map reference: D/15	
	2nd P	Sgt R.H. Gresham	AIG 20				
	Nav	Sgt P.H. Wood					
	WO/AG	Sgt G.J. Matheson					
	R/Gnr	Sgt A. MacLean					
	R/Gnr	Sgt L.J. Laberge					
	HX 393	Sgt J.W. Stappe	Operations	22.55	02.40	IG 237 - AIG 20 - IG 237. Good and clear over target. Bombed in 3 sticks. 1st on AIG 20, bursts seen across IG. 2nd stick aimed at east dispersal, bursts seen just north of what appeared to be dispersed aircraft. 3rd stick same aiming point bursts seen. 2 Heavy guns NE of IG 20, 6 light fairly accurate 3 S/L SE of IG. Bomb load: 3 x 250 LD. 12 x 250 GP NIR 1 SBC 41b Inc. Map reference: D/15	
	2nd P	Sgt S.W. Burton	AIG 104 and 20				
	Nav	Sgt J.H. James					
	WO/AG	Sgt B.M. Lane					
	R/Gnr	Sgt M.J. Smith					
	R/Gnr	Sgt J. Greenhields					
	"B" FLIGHT						
	DV 649	Sgt F.E. Doran	Air Test	11.10	11.25	Local	
	DV 562	P/O M. Smith	Air Test	14.11	15.10	Local	
	DV 562	Sgt R.J. Momo	Operations	22.50	02.15	IG 237 - AIG 104 - IG 237. Clear over target. Bombed in 5 sticks. 1st across IG - bursts seen. 2nd stick across IG. Fire started in East dispersal - a faint glow orange in colour flaring up as a/c left target. 3rd stick - bursts seen across IG. 3 batteries of heavy AA - accurate. One S/L East of IG. Bomb load: 12 x 250 GP NIR. 2 x 250 LD. 1 x SBC 41b Inc. Map reference: D/15	
	2nd P	Sgt R.W. Coddington	AIG 104				
	Nav	P/O G. Coulby					
	WO/AG	Sgt J. Reekie					
	R/Gnr	Sgt E.J. Coomey					
	R/Gnr	Sgt L.J. Mears					
	DV 520	P/O V.S. Kane	Operations	22.40	02.00	IG 237 - AIG 104 - IG 237. Clear over target. 2 x 250 NIR dropped S. of Daba in ord r to aid climb. Bombed in 1 stick bursts seen, not pinpointed, possibly south of railway line. Some heavy AA. did not attack aircraft. Bomb load: 12 x 250 GP NIR. 2 x 250 LD. 1 x SBC 41b Inc. Map reference: D/15	
	2nd P	P/O C.W. Fowler	AIG 104				
	Nav	P/O L. Carter					
	WO/AG	Sgt J.W.C. Bell					
	R/Gnr	Sgt L.J. Watson					
	R/Gnr	Sgt L.M. Birdling					

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	DV 625	Sgt M.V. Kane 2nd P Sgt T.M. Thomas Nav P/Sgt R.A. McFarlane WO/AG P/O L.V. Reid P/Gnr P/O A.C. Reapy R/Gnr Sgt W. Burnham	Operations ALG 104	22.40	01.40	LG 237 - ALG 104 - LG 237. Good and clear over target. Bombs in 2 sticks. 1st - across aircraft east of LG. Bursts seen amongst aircraft in area aimed at. 2nd stick - across LG. Bursts seen, nothing else. 2 Batteries of heavy guns - accurate. 6 light guns - inaccurate. No searchlights. Bomb load: 2 x 250 LD. 12 x 250 GP NIR. - 1 x SBC 41b Inc. Map reference: D/15	
	DV 649	Sgt P.R. Duran 2nd P Sgt D. Ross Nav Sgt G.Y. Hill WO/AG Sgt A.J.F. Rowe R/Gnr Sgt W. Jenkins	Operations ALG 104	22.37	02.49	LG 237 - ALG 104 - Heliopolis. Good and clear over target. Two sticks. 1st - aimed at small fire NW of LG. Bursts seen. 2nd - same aiming point. Small fire started West of LG. 5 heavy guns NE of LG south of road and 2 guns due north LG - not particularly accurate. One blue searchlight. Bomb load: 14 x 250 GP NIR. 2 x 250 LD. 1 x SBC 41b Inc. Map reference: D/15	
22.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT			07.28	07.45	Heliopolis - LG 237.	
	HX 595	P/O A. Wharton 2nd P Sgt S.W. Reeder Nav P/O E.C. Lloyd WO/AG Sgt J.M. Brand P/Gnr Sgt G.C. Curtis R/Gnr Sgt J.L. Thomson	Operations Tobruk	22.00	04.45	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 100. Over target 3/10th Str. Cu. Tops about 4000'. One stick, heading 120° at jetties. Bombs fell short onto quayside N. corner of harbour. Bursts seen. Opposition as usual. Defences confused as all aircraft over target at same time. On way back machine gunned N.T. buildings and tents along road from Bur Amud to Bardia. 1700 rounds fired. Road house at Gambut also shot up from 500'. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TI. 1 x 500 GP. 1 x 500 3 hr delay. Map reference: T/1(1)	
	"B" FLIGHT			07.00	07.20	LG 100 - LG 237	
	HX 508	Sgt K. Clarke	Air Test	16.30	16.55	Local	
	DV 625	Sgt K. Tricks 2nd P Sgt J. Murphy Nav Sgt W. Marshall WO/AG Sgt W. Vincent P/Gnr Sgt R.A. Whitefield R/Gnr Sgt G. Glushkow	Operations Tobruk	22.00	05.00	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 100. Clear over harbour, cloud all round. Visibility and general weather good. Aimed at dock area. Bombs dropped on land or sea. Flat as usual. 3/Ls rather less. Bomb load: 3 x 500 GP TI. 1 x 500 GP TD. 12. 1 x 250 GP TD 5 hour delay. - Map reference: T/1(1)	
	DV 649	Sgt G. Gilmore 2nd P Sgt P.R. Street Nav Sgt G. Readley WO/AG Sgt J.F. McDell P/Gnr Sgt M. Gethune R/Gnr Sgt A.G. S. Smith	Operations Tobruk	07.00 22.00	07.20 05.10	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 100. 2/10 Cu. 3-4000'. Vis. good. One stick 180° Bursts seen NW of jetties about 2-500 yards inland. No other results. Guns mainly heavy. 3-4 light not as intense as usual. Bomb load: 4 x 500 TD 18. 1 x 500 12hr delay. 1 x 250 3 hr delay. Map ref: T/1(1)	
	DV 520	P/Sgt W. S. R. S. R. S. 2nd P Sgt P.J. Clifton Nav Sgt D. G. Chackfield WO/AG Sgt R.T. R. R. R. P/Gnr Sgt L. Fitzgerald R/Gnr Sgt R. Wilkinson	Operations Tobruk	08.25 22.05	09.00 00.45	LG 100 - LG 237 LG 237 - LG 237. Aircraft would not maintain height. Task abandoned 23.21 hours. Bombs jettisoned 314ly-280SE. Bomb load: 3 x 500 GP TI. 1 x 500 GP TD 12 hr delay. 1 x 250 6 hr delay. 2 bursts seen. Map ref: T/1(1)	
	HX 508	Sgt K. Clarke 2nd P Sgt N.S. Ayres Nav Sgt S. Rowe WO/AG Sgt R.A.V. Palmer R/Gnr Sgt S. Murdoch	Operations Tobruk	22.02	23.22	LG 237 - LG 237. Task abandoned at 22.38 hrs. Drop in boost tail juddering during entire trip. Bombs jettisoned 3031N 2826E. 4 x 500 GP TI. 1 x 500 12hr delay. 1 x 250 6 hr. delay. No bursts seen. Map reference: T/1(1)	

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						WELLINGTON IC AIRCRAFT	
25.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT	- NIL					
	"B" FLIGHT	- NIL					
24.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT						
	T 2571	W/O D. Neal	Operations	21.17	01.18	LG 237 - ALG 101 and 13 - LG 237. Low cloud covering LG 102. Very heavy 2 sticks; both aimed at badly dispersed aircraft (approx. 20) between LG 101 and 13. 1st stick - 2 bursts amongst aircraft, no other results. 2nd - only bursts seen. Inaccurate fire from 3 heavy guns N. of LG 13. One effective searchlight. Bomb load; 13 x 250 GP NIR. 2 SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference P/6.	
	2nd P	Sgt E.W. Markus	ALG 101 and 13				
	Nav	Sgt C.G. Ball					
	W/O AG	Sgt L.W. Staal					
	F/Gnr	Sgt T.B. Robinson					
	R/Gnr	Sgt A. Boulton					
	HX 595	Sgt N.L. Stewart	Operations	21.15	01.20	LG 237 - ALG 102 and area - LG 237. 4-6/10ths Str. On over target, base 1000'. General weather good. 1st two sticks dropped across LG, where 2 aircraft were seen, but no other results. 3rd and 4th sticks aimed at what might have been aircraft LG 13. 2 S/1s and one gun North of target, both ineffective. Bomb load; 13 x 250 GP NIR 2 x 40lb SBC Frag. Map reference P/6.	
	2nd P	Sgt P.O. Mitchell	LG 102 and area				
	Nav	Sgt P.E.J. Heard					
	W/O AG	Sgt A.J. Sullivan					
	F/Gnr	Sgt H.L. Horne					
	R/Gnr	Sgt G.E. Musk					
	"B" FLIGHT						
	HX 508	Sgt N.G. Beadle	Operations	01.15	01.25	LG 237 - ALG 102 - LG 237. LG's covered with 4-5/10ths low cloud 2000'. Visibility poor. 2 sticks (ALG 102) 1st dropped on what appeared to be about 10 aircraft - only bursts seen. 2nd stick laid across LG 102 amongst incendiaries which encircled landing ground. 5 Heavy guns and 2 S/1s from area north of LG 13. Ineffective. Bomb load; 13 x 250 GP NIR 2 x SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference P/6.	
	2nd P	Sgt D. Ross	ALG 102				
	Nav	P/Sgt R.J. Williams					
	W/O AG	Sgt J. Weir					
	F/Gnr	Sgt J. Noble					
	R/Gnr	Sgt J.M. S. Moir					
	DV 649	P/O F. Watson	Operations	21.20	02.00	LG 237 - LG 102 and area - LG 237. 5/10ths Stratus 1000' sometimes obscuring target completely. Visibility poor. 4 sticks. 1st aimed at 1 aircraft on LG 102 - undershot. 2nd aimed at rain heading East. Bombs fell south of train; but sparks were seen flying out of opposite side of train, which stopped. 3rd stick across aircraft N. of LG 13 - bursts seen near aircraft. 4th stick aimed at aircraft just west of level crossing South of road S. of Ras Buala 532743. 2 Heavy batteries NE and NW of LG 15. 3 - 4 light guns, 4 S/1s. Bomb load; 14 x 250 GP NIR 2 x SBC 40lb Frag. Map ref: P/6.	
	2nd P	Sgt K.N. Higgins	LG 102 and area				
	Nav	P/O G. Kay					
	W/O AG	P/Sgt R.G. Marshall					
	R/Gnr	Sgt T.R. Elliott					
	DV 625	Sgt V.L. Parrett	Operations	21.22	01.12	LG 237 - LG 101 - LG 237. Bank of cloud 2-4000' stretching over LG 102. Two sticks. 1st aimed at 2 a/c in middle of LG no results seen. 2nd dropped across sand runway. Bursts only seen. About 3 heavy guns N. of LG 13. - inaccurate. No S/1s. Bomb load; 15 x 250 GP NIR. 2 x SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference P/6.	
	2nd P	Sgt R. Dorey	LG 101				
	Nav	Sgt P.D.M. Rackow					
	W/O AG	Sgt D.L. Moody					
	F/Gnr	Sgt A.R. Wood					
	R/Gnr	Sgt D.W. Dunham					
	HX 508	Sgt N.G. Beadle	Air Test	09.15	10.15	Local	

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				Up	Down		
25.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT						
	HD 947	F/Sgt R. Verrican	Delivery	14.00	16.00	Aquir - LG 237.	
	T 2571	Sgt J. Fraser	Operations	21.05	02.35	LG 237 - LG 237. Visibility and general weather good. Task abandoned at 23.26 hours owing to failure of whole inter-comm. system. Bombs brought back: 4 x 500 GP TD.12	
	2nd P	Sgt G. Coleman	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt R. McPherson					
	WO/AG	Sgt R. W. Pearson					
	R/Gnr	Sgt E. Bates					
	HX 395	F/Lt K. Moore	Operations	20.30	03.20	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Patches of cloud. Visibility good apart from cloud. General weather fair. Bombed across jetties - no results seen, dazzled by S/Ls. Light and Heavy flak not as intense as usual. Bomb load: 4 x 500 GP TD.12. Map reference: T/1(i)	
	2nd P	P/O G. B. Barber	Tobruk				
	Nav	P/O R. S. Campbell					
	WO/AG	Sgt C. O. Chambers					
	P/Gnr	Sgt C. G. Wood					
	R/Gnr	Sgt S. R. Gray-Puchan					
	"B" FLIGHT						
	DV 623	Sgt R. W. Baker	Operations	20.30	03.15	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Visibility clear. Heading due east aimed at dockside, but bombs undershot and fell in water just west of jetties. Intense heavy and light AA. Up to 20 S/Ls coming. Bomb load: 4 x 500 GP TD.12. Map reference: T/1(i)	
	2nd P	Sgt G. R. P. Cheundy	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt R. R. Morris					
	WO/AG	Sgt J. A. Ward					
	P/Gnr	Sgt W. O. Gull					
	R/Gnr	Sgt J. A. Carpenter					
	HX 508	Sgt R. J. Momo	Operations	20.30	03.45	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Visibility good. Bombed quayside area, evasive action prevented accurate observation of results. Very intense heavy and light AA. S/Ls working in pairs and coming. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD.12. Map reference: T/1(i)	
	2nd P	Sgt R. W. Coddington	Tobruk				
	Nav	P/O G. Soulsby					
	WO/AG	Sgt J. Reekie					
	P/Gnr	Sgt E. J. Cooney					
	R/Gnr	Sgt L. M. Heers					
	DV 649	P/O M. Smith	Operations	20.35	03.25	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Visibility good over target. Slight haze on way out. General weather good. Aimed at jetties. Rear gunner saw bursts in target area. Flak more intense, especially light, which was being fired up S/Ls beams. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD.12. Map reference: T/1(i)	
	2nd P	P/O G. Bowler	Tobruk				
	Nav	P/O R. B. Oter					
	WO/AG	Sgt J. T. O. Bell					
	P/Gnr	Sgt J. B. Oter					
	R/Gnr	Sgt L. M. Birdling					
26.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT						
	HD 947	P/O F. V. Campbell	Air Test	15.30	16.30	Local	
	T 2571	S/Lt A. F. Craigie	Operations	20.30	03.00	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Fine over target but moon too high for good visibility. One stick aimed at E.11 where tanker was reported - no shipping or jetties could be seen owing to high moon. 15 searchlights. Some light and heavy flak - inaccurate. Bomb load: 4 x 500 GP TD.12. Map reference: T/1(i)	
	2nd P	P/O E. J. L. Gover	Tobruk				
	Nav	P/O E. W. Mitchell					
	WO/AG	Sgt G. Young					
	P/Gnr	Sgt C. W. Brooks					
	R/Gnr	Sgt P. Hayton					
		P/Lt R. Lintoff					

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				WELLINGTON I C AIRCRAFT			
26.9.42. "A" FLIGHT - Continued							
HD 947	F/O	F.V. Campbell	Operations	20.34	02.35	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Visibility very good over target. Attacked large ship lying off jetties. No results seen. About 16 S/Ls. Opposition much as usual - accurate. Bomb load: 4 x 500 GP TD.12 Map reference T/1(i)	
	2nd P	Sgt T.S. Henry	Tobruk - shipping				
	Nav	Sgt P.M. Martin					
	WO/AG	Sgt R.E. Drowett					
	F/Gnr	Sgt G.C.C. Holmes					
HX 393	F/O	J.D. Mackellar	Operations	20.33	03.03	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Visibility good and clear. Bombed along docksides, two bursts seen. No immediate results. Defences lighter than usual. All AA from heavy batteries. Position of moon made location of shipping impossible. Bomb load: 4 x 500 GP TD.12 Map reference: T/1(i)	
	2nd P	G/Sgt Harris					
	Nav	F/O W.M. Sterna					
	WO/AG	Sgt W.E. Dight					
	F/Gnr	Sgt R.F. Thomson					
"B" FLIGHT							
DV 647	Sgt	H. Tricks	Ret. to Base	14.15	15.10	Kabrit - LG 237.	
DV 520	Sgt	C.G. Klimcke	Air Test	14.50	15.40	Local	
DV 520	Sgt	C.G. Klimcke	Operations	20.50	02.50	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Fine over target - slight haze. One stick aimed at jetties. Bombs undershot. Flak much as usual - accurate. At least 17 S/L positions - some double. Bomb load: 4 x 500 GP TD.12 Map reference: T/1(i)	
	2nd P	Sgt D. Ross	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt J. Broadley					
	WO/AG	Sgt M. Bottrams					
	F/Gnr	Sgt J.F. Mandell					
DV 649	Sgt	A.G.S. Smith	Operations	20.35	02.35	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Clear over target, slight haze. Bombs aimed at jetty against jetty No.1 - Fell short results not seen owing to evasive action. Very intense light and heavy AA. Approx. 20 S/Ls. Bomb load: 5 x 500 GP TD.12 Map reference: T/1(i)	
	2nd P	Sgt K. Clarke	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt N.S. Ayres					
	WO/AG	Sgt E. Rowe					
	R/Gnr	Sgt R.A.V. Palmer					
DV 623	F/Sgt	W.B. Pulcher	Operations	20.30	22.06	LG 237 - LG 237. Aircraft recalled as oil and smoke seen coming from port engine as aircraft took off. Bombs jettisoned position 30.15N. 29.06E.	
	2nd P	Sgt P.J. Clifton	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt D.G. Chacksfield					
	WO/AG	Sgt R.T. Eria					
	F/Gnr	Sgt L. Fitzgerald					
27.9.42. "A" FLIGHT							
W 5650	F/O	A. Wharton	Delivery to METS	15.00	16.00	LG 237 - Kabrit	
T 2878	P/O	G.B. Hunter	Delivery to METS	15.15	16.11	LG 237 - Kabrit	
T 2571	Sgt	J.F. Taylor	Operations	20.07	21.55	LG 237 - LG 237. Trouble from port engine made Captain decide to turn for Base. Bombs jettisoned 29.38'N 30.06'E Bomb load: 6 x SBC 40lb Frag. 3 x 250 M/R. (40lb exploded)	
	2nd P	Sgt K.D. Laird	Tobruk Defences				
	Nav	Sgt F.C. McLellan					
	WO/AG	Sgt R.P. Thomson					
	F/Gnr	Sgt L. Fitzgerald					
	R/Gnr	Sgt G. McDowell					

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				UP	DOWN		
	HD 947	F/O J. Clark Sgt S.A. Ombear Sgt P. Hall WO/AG P/O L.S. White F/gnr Sgt A.R. Wood R/gnr Sgt J.M. Scott	Operations Tobruk Defences	20.15	08.15	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Weather good - slight haze. 2 stick 1st aimed at ERIC, bombs overshot. 2nd stick aimed at S/L nr Marsa Mreira. S/L was not seen to light up again. Opposition severe. 26 S/Ls. Accurate heavy intense AA. Some light. Bomb load: 5 x 250 NIR. 6 x SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference T/1	
	HX 395	Sgt W.G. Sharpe Sgt J.S. Oien Sgt R.M. Jones WO/AG Sgt H.M. Lane F/gnr Sgt M.J. Smith R/gnr Sgt J. Greenshield	Operations Tobruk Defences	20.09	05.00	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Very good over target. One stick aimed at S/Ls in a row near ERIC gun position NE of town. Aircraft caught in S/Ls no results seen. 22 S/Ls accurate. Usual heavy and light AA. Bomb load: 6 x 40lb SBC Frag. 5 x 250 GP NIR. Map reference: T/1	
	"B" FLIGHT						
	DV 623	Sgt V.L. Parrett	Air Test	09.15	09.35	Local	
	DV 623	Sgt V.L. Parrett 2nd P Sgt R. Dorby Nav Sgt P.D.M. Rackow WO/AG Sgt D.L. Moody F/gnr Sgt R.G. Wood R/gnr Sgt D.W. Dunham	Operations Tobruk Defences	20.12	05.15	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Visibility and general weather good slight haze. Aimed at heavy gun position 4160-4360 (ERIC) Bursts seen. Heavy and light AA as usual, accurate. 21 S/Ls aimed over centre of harbour. Bomb load: 6 x SBC 40lb Frag 5 x 250 NIR. Map reference: T/1.	
	DV 649	Sgt H. Tricke Sgt J. Murphy Nav Sgt W. Maskell WO/AG Sgt J. Vincent F/gnr Sgt R.A. Whitefield R/gnr Sgt G. Gloushkov	Operations Tobruk	20.45	05.05	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Visibility fair to moderate. General weather good. Aimed at gun position West of Hospital Bursts seen. Heavy AA as usual. Slightly more light. 16 S/Ls counted round harbour. Bomb load: 6 x 250 GP NIR 6 x SBC 40lb Frag. Map reference T/1	
	DV 520	Sgt H.G. Beadle F/Sgt R.J. Williams 2nd P Sgt T.N. Thomas Nav Sgt J. Weir WO/AG Sgt J. Noble F/gnr Sgt J.M.S. Moir R/gnr Sgt J.M.S. Moir	Operations Tobruk	20.10	-	Aircraft failed to return from operations. No news	
28.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT						
	HD 947	F/Lt K. Moore	Communications	08.30	09.30	LG 237 - Kabrit Kabrit - LG 237	
	HX 395	Sgt J.F. Taylor Sgt K.D. Laird 2nd P Sgt F.C. McEllan Nav Sgt R.P. Thomson WO/AG Sgt L. Fitzgerald F/gnr Sgt G. McDowell R/gnr Sgt G. McDowell	Operations Tobruk	22.35	05.50	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Light cloud 16-17000' Ground haze. Bombed ship south shore just inside boom. Near mines. Opposition as usual. Bomb load: 4 x 500 GP TD. 12 Map reference: T/1(i)	
	HD 947	P/O S.W. Pearce Sgt R.M. Gresham Nav Sgt A.R. Threlfall WO/AG F/Sgt D.D. Miller F/gnr F/Sgt D.A. Miller R/gnr Sgt R.M.G. Sanbury	Operations Tobruk	22.35	-	Aircraft failed to return from operations. No news.	

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WELLINGTON I C A I R C R A F T							
28.9.42.	"B" FLIGHT						
	DV 649	F/Lt Y.G.Gene	Search	10.10	11.10	Search for aircraft DV 520 "o"	
	DV 647	F/O M.Smith	Operations	22.35	05.05	LG 237 - Tobruk - LG 237. Heavy over target, general weather fair. Aimed at ship seen in cove, position 4160 on south shore. Bomb bursts seen on shore. Heavy flak intense and very accurate same quantity as previously. Rather less light flak. Bomb load; 4 x 500 GP TD.12 Map reference T/1(1)	
	2nd P	P/O C.W.Fowler	Tobruk				
	Nav	F/O R.L.Carter					
	WO/AG	Sgt J.T.O.Bell					
	F/Gnr	Sgt L.J.Batson					
	R/Gnr	Sgt L.M.Birdling					
29.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT - N I L						
	"B" FLIGHT - N I L						
30.9.42.	"A" FLIGHT						
	HF 848	Sgt T.H.Billingham	Operations	21.30	-	Aircraft failed to return from operations.	
	2nd P	Sgt A.S.Combear	Tobruk				
	Nav	Sgt P.A.Wood					
	WO/AG	Sgt A.Matheson					
	F/Gnr	Sgt G.J.MacLean					
	R/Gnr	Sgt L.J.Labarge					
	HX 395	F/O A. Wharton	Operations	21.30	05.35	LG 237 - Tobruk - Fayid. No cloud over target. Heavy. Bombed in one stick on 5 ships at M/L/37,38 No results seen. Heavy and light AA intense. Bomb load; 4 x 500 GP TD.12 Map reference; T/1.	
	2nd P	Sgt S.Reeder	Tobruk - shipping				
	Nav	F/O E.G.Lloyd					
	WO/AG	Sgt J.L.Brand					
	F/Gnr	Sgt G.C.Curtis					
	R/Gnr	Sgt H.Hybbrow		17.10	17.50	Fayid - LG 237	
	"B" FLIGHT						
	DV 562	Sgt R.J.Memo	Air Test	09.05	10.10	Local	
	ES 967	Sgt K.Clark	Air Test	16.30	16.45	Local	
	DV 647	Sgt R.W.Baker	Operations	21.33	04.53	LG 237 - Tobruk - Abu Sueir. Visibility very good. General weather good. Heading S.E. aimed at six ships, one large, at head of harbour. Bursts a little to North. Little AA until after bombing. Bomb load; 4 x 500 GP TD.12 Map reference; T/1.	
	2nd P	Sgt K.W.Higgins	Tobruk - shipping				
	Nav	Sgt A.R.Morris					
	WO/AG	Sgt J.A.Ward					
	F/Gnr	Sgt W.O.Bull					
	R/Gnr	Sgt G.Gloukhov		10.10	10.50	Abu Sueir - LG 237.	
	DV 562	Sgt R.J.Memo	Operations	21.30	05.35	LG 237 - Tobruk - Abu Sueir. No cloud over target. General weather good. 1 stick at jetties, area 'F' Results un - observed. Heavy AA intense and very accurate. Medium, slight. 21 Searchlights. Bomb load; 4 x 500 GP TD.12. Map reference; T/1.	
	2nd P	Sgt R.W.Coddington	Tobruk - shipping				
	Nav	F/O G.Souleby					
	WO/AG	Sgt J.Reekie					
	F/Gnr	Sgt E.J.Cooney					
	R/Gnr	Sgt L.M.Nears					
	HX 508	Sgt M.J.Cane	(Ret. to Base) Repairs	09.55	09.30	Abu Sueir - LG 237	
		Sgt G.R.F.Chaundy	To Rabrit	16.50	18.05	Rabrit - LG 237.	
				20.05	11.00	LG 237 - Rabrit. On 28.9.42.)	
	DV 625	Sgt G.R.P.Chaundy	Communications	14.15	15.50	LG 237 - El Arish.	
				17.15	18.50	El Arish - Rabrit. 28.9.42.	

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