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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
3rd. - 4th. September 1943							
			BOMBING	-		BERLIN	
	Lancaster. JA 893.	S/Ldr G. Howroyd. Sgt. A. J. Sargent. Sgt. R. H. Davies. P/O T. W. Saxby. Sgt. D. S. Chappell. Sgt. R. G. Kelly. Sgt. L. J. McKenzie.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1950	04.50	Target located and green TIS bombed from 20000ft at 23.39hrs. Attacked over target by fighter - fierce combat followed and 2/A claimed as destroyed. Own aircraft extensively damaged, bomb-aimer killed. Aircraft was ditched 150 miles from coast, 2/A was left in aircraft but other six boarded dinghy - rear gunner, wounded in combat, subsequently died. Remaining five were rescued by aircraft of 279 Squadron which dropped airborne lifeboat, eventually picked up by Naval launch. Docked at Immingham 05.45hrs.	
	Lancaster. ED385.	P/O L. W. Roper. Sgt. K. Bright. Sgt. A. Carscadden. Sgt. K. D. H. Wood. Sgt. H. Fisher. Sgt. E. A. Cannon. Sgt. R. C. Woolnough.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Optr. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1950	-	Nothing was heard from this aircraft after take-off. MISSING.	
	Lancaster. W4922.	P/O N. J. Callah. Sgt. J. W. Scholey. Sgt. H. S. Tate. Sgt. J. Gomersall. Sgt. W. A. Davies. Sgt. D. C. Tunbridge. Sgt. E. A. Read.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1950	04.25	Thin layer of low stratus. Target located and various Pathfinder markers seen. Aimed bombs at centre of concentration of seven green Target Indicators, height 20000ft, time 23.34 hours. Bombing appeared to be well concentrated, and raid thought successful. Heavy opposition. BOMB LOAD 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 41b; 48 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. W4242.	P/O R. D. Large. Sgt. D. Smith. P/O R. E. Fawcett. P/O W. S. Neathway. Sgt. D. W. Savoy. Sgt. F. Weaver. Sgt. T. G. Goodwin.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	2005	04.05	No cloud, visibility good. No yellow route markers seen but target located without difficulty. Dropped bombs at 2336 hours from 20000feet, aiming slightly to right of cluster of Green TIS. Photograph plotted 6 miles from Aiming Point. Fires seen 150 miles away, raid seemed successful. BOMB LOAD 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 41b; 48 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. EE191.	P/O V. H. Cole. Sgt. E. R. McCool. P/O A. E. Bristow. P/O H. Johnson. Sgt. W. F. Haigh. Sgt. A. Harding. Sgt. N. D. Parkinson.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1955	04.45	No cloud, visibility good. No route markers seen but target located. Aimed bombs to overshoot cluster of Green Target Indicators - height 10500 feet, time 23.35 hours. Good concentration of fires. Very long and arduous route back. BOMB LOAD 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 41b; 48 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED919.	P/Sgt. P. K. Turner. Sgt. H. Kendall. Sgt. J. E. Glenville. Sgt. A. Forritt. Sgt. N. Woodward. Sgt. G. H. Dentrick. Sgt. J. Pears.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	2005	0350	Fairly clear over target, visibility good. Located target, aimed bombs at cluster of green target indicators - height, 20000 feet, time 23.27 hours. Target seemed to be well hit. Flak very heavy and accurate, many searchlights. BOMB LOAD 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 41b; 48 x 30lb.	
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3rd - 4th September 1943 (continued)							
	Lancaster. ED874.	P/Sgt. G.H. Cheney. Sgt. J. Risher. Sgt. R. Welch. Sgt. A. Curties. Sgt. R.H. Pool. Sgt. W.N. Wait. Sgt. A.G. McRostie.	Captain. Plt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	2015	0420	Clear, visibility good. Bombed on timed run from STA at Position "D" - markers there clearly seen. Time 23.27 hours, height 14000 feet. Big concentration of fires seen. Defences heavy and accurate, many searchlights. Port inner engine failed at target, whole of long return journey successfully accomplished on three engines. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 4lb; 48 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. JA973.	Sgt. P. Hanavan. Sgt. D.E. Day. P/O S. Smith. P/O A. Porters. P/Sgt. G.H. Riley. Sgt. E.J. Plumridge. Sgt. P.C. Smith.	Captain. Plt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	2015	0440	Very little cloud, visibility good. Located target, aimed bombs at one green TI which was seen to cascade - height 19000 feet, time 23.39 hours. Fires appeared to be burning over wide area. Only moderate flak encountered and about 200 searchlights. No fighters seen. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 4lb; 48 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. JA876.	Sgt. E.M. Hifflin. Sgt. N.G. Jackson. Sgt. P.L. Higgins. Sgt. M.H. Toft. Sgt. E. Sandilands. Sgt. W. Smith. Sgt. T. Atwick.	Captain. Plt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	2010	0410	Some low cloud over target, visibility fair. Aimed bombs at centre of cluster of three green Target Indicators - height 20700 feet, time 23.35 hours. Fires burning in good concentration. Defences were very heavy, several fighters seen but aircraft was directly engaged. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 4lb; 48 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. DV162.	P/O W. Perry. Sgt. L. Hood. P/Sgt. J. Booden. Sgt. R.E. Hackett. Sgt. R. Gunison. Sgt. E. Davies. Sgt. A. Croombridge.	Captain. Plt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	2010	0425	Broken cloud, fair visibility. Located target and aimed bombs to eastern side of green Target Indicators - height 20000 feet, time 23.27 hours. Excellent route, no fighter opposition encountered, flak over target moderate only. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 4lb; 48 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED593.	P/O L.R. Harvey. Sgt. W. Brown John. Sgt. E. Neale. P/O S.J. Abbott. Sgt. N. Edgecombe. Sgt. W.A. Bell. Sgt. S.O. Mantle.	Captain. Plt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	2010	0355	Alto-str. cloud 17000 feet. Visibility good. Located target, two green Target Indicators in sight, seen to cascade. Bombed from 19000 feet at 23.28 hours. Fires appeared to be well concentrated and the raid seemed most successful. Fighters in evidence and flak very heavy. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 4lb; 48 x 30lb.	

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				Up	Down		
<u>5th. - 6th. September 1943</u>							
				<u>BOMBING - MANCHESTER</u>			
	Lancaster. W4242.	Sgt. D.L. Gibbs. Sgt. W.R. Mason. Sgt. R. Appleby. P/O D.L. Cramp. W/O J. Dacey. Sgt. R.J. Smith. Sgt. R.F. Birch.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	2000	0255	Clear but smoke and ground haze. Route markers seen, target located without difficulty. Aimed bombs at centre of concentration of three green Target Indicators, bombing from 23.30 hours from 19000 feet. Very fine concentration of fires - raid most successful. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 900 x 4lb; 64 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. EE191.	P/O S.R. Trill. Sgt. B. Royans. P/O G.P. Bale. P/O R. Heatherington. P/Sgt. R. Whyte. Sgt. R. Duffey. Sgt. A.S. Burgess.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1940	0215	About 2/10ths cloud, good visibility. Target located, saw built-up area and river. Aimed bombs at cluster of five green TIs seen cascading, height 18700 feet, time 23.05 hours. Took photograph of the AIMING POINT. Large fires seen burning. Defences light. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 900 x 4lb; 64 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. W4922.	P/Sgt. J. Taylor. Sgt. R. Roberts. P/O G.R. McCleave. Sgt. J.G. Clarke. Sgt. G.N.R. Bell. Sgt. H.P. Purdy. Sgt. J.R. Sheridan.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1950	-	Nothing was heard from this aircraft after take-off. MISSING.	
	Lancaster. ED819.	P/Sgt. P.A. Turner. Sgt. H. Kendall. Sgt. J.E. Glenwill. Sgt. A. Porritt. Sgt. N. Woodward. Sgt. G.H. Bentinck. Sgt. J. Pears.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	2010	2325	Rear turret unserviceable. MISSION ABANDONED.	
	Lancaster. ED801.	Sgt. F.L. Mifflin. Sgt. N.C. Jackson. Sgt. F.L. Higgins. Sgt. N.H. Fort. Sgt. E. Sandelands. Sgt. W. Smith. Sgt. T. Astwick.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	2010	0220	No cloud, visibility good. Saw route markers, Pathfinder markers over target. Aimed bombs at centre of cluster of five green Target Indicators seen cascading - bombed from 20000 feet at 23.12 hours. Took photograph plotted 3 miles from Aiming Point. Heavy and accurate flak over target. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 900 x 4lb; 80 x 30lb.	

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5th. - 6th. September 1943 (continued)							
	Lancaster. JA676.	P/O J. Forsyth. Sgt. A. Woolley. P/O Greenhalgh. Sgt. T. Clarkson. Sgt. H. Godden. Sgt. J. Pryzbylski. Sgt. J. M. Brabazon.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1955	0210	Clear, no cloud. Pathfinder markers seen over target, green Target Indicators seen cascading. Bombed from 20000 feet at 23.07 hours - own results not seen but target appeared to have been accurately bombed. Defences comparatively light, no fighters seen. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 4 x 4000lb; 900 x 4lb; 80 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED593.	F/Sgt. A. R. Hart. Sgt. L. Clifton. F/Sgt. H. J. Boal. Sgt. G. I. Williams. Sgt. W. J. Jones. Sgt. M. C. Price. Sgt. H. J. Keenan.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	2020	2320	MISSION ABANDONED owing to engine failure.	
	Lancaster. DV182.	P/O A. A. Robertson. Sgt. J. Cunliffe. Sgt. F. S. Green. P/O G. Willatt. Sgt. A. E. Taylor. Sgt. F. W. Tysall. P/O R. R. Shadbolt. G/C F. S. Hodder.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner. Passenger.	1950	-	Nothing was heard from this aircraft after take-off. MISSING.	

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<u>6th. - 7th. September 1943</u>				<u>BOMBING - MUNICH</u>			
	<u>Lancaster.</u> <u>EE191.</u>	<u>P/O V.L.Cole.</u> <u>Sgt.V.R.McColl.</u> <u>P/O A.E.Bristol.</u> <u>P/O H.Johnson.</u> <u>Sgt.W.P.Haigh.</u> <u>Sgt.J.Harding.</u> <u>Sgt.N.Parkinson.</u>	<u>Captain.</u> <u>Flt.Engr.</u> <u>Navigator.</u> <u>A/Bomber.</u> <u>W/Operator.</u> <u>M/U Gunner.</u> <u>R/Gunner.</u>	<u>1950</u>	<u>0135</u>	<u>8/10ths cloud, tops 15000 feet. Red route markers seen, target located and bombed from 19000 feet at 23.34 hours. Bombs were aimed at green Target Indicator. Glow on the cloud seen from fires. Own results not seen or photograph plotted. Opposition slight.</u> <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 4lb; 52 x 30lb.	
	<u>Lancaster.</u> <u>ED19.</u>	<u>P/O R.D. Large.</u> <u>Sgt.D.Smith.</u> <u>P/O R.E.Favier.</u> <u>P/O W.S.Neathway.</u> <u>Sgt.D.W.Savoy.</u> <u>P/Sgt.F.Weaver.</u> <u>Sgt.T.G.Goodwin.</u>	<u>Captain.</u> <u>Flt.Engr.</u> <u>Navigator.</u> <u>A/Bomber.</u> <u>W/Operator.</u> <u>M/U Gunner.</u> <u>R/Gunner.</u>	<u>1950</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>Nothing was heard from this aircraft after take-off. MISSING.</u>	
	<u>Lancaster.</u> <u>ED593.</u>	<u>W/O P.Richards.</u> <u>Sgt.J.Sydenham.</u> <u>Sgt.R.Lawrence.</u> <u>P/S E.Clode.</u> <u>Sgt.R.Edwards.</u> <u>P/S G.Carlyle.</u> <u>Sgt.J.R.McFarlane.</u>	<u>Captain.</u> <u>Flt.Engr.</u> <u>Navigator.</u> <u>A/Bomber.</u> <u>W/Operator.</u> <u>M/U Gunner.</u> <u>R/Gunner.</u>	<u>1955</u>	<u>0105</u>	<u>7/10ths cloud. Route markers seen, river to south-west of town identified. Did not see Pathfinder Target Indicators - aimed bombs at concentration of fires. Height 21000 feet, time 23.50 hours. Own results not seen. Defences not very troublesome. This was crews first operational sortie.</u> <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 4lb; 52 x 30lb.	
	<u>Lancaster.</u> <u>JA973.</u>	<u>P/O A.E.Poore.</u> <u>Sgt.A.Johnson.</u> <u>P/O R.A.Roberts.</u> <u>P/O R.J.Elsey.</u> <u>Sgt.R.C.Thompson.</u> <u>Sgt.W.P.Tooley.</u> <u>Sgt.R.Castleman.</u>	<u>Captain.</u> <u>Flt.Engr.</u> <u>Navigator.</u> <u>A/Bomber.</u> <u>W/Operator.</u> <u>M/U Gunner.</u> <u>R/Gunner.</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>0355</u>	<u>8/10ths cloud. Route markers seen both on outward and homeward journey. Target located, green Target Indicator seen cascading - bombed from 19500 feet at 23.38 hours. Took photograph of built-up area but this was not plotted. Trip uneventful.</u> <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 4lb; 52 x 30lb.	
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<u>6th - 7th September 1943 (continued)</u>							
	Lancaster. XD601.	S/O I. E. Harvey. Sgt. W. Brownjohn. Sgt. E. Neale. P/O S. J. Abbott. Sgt. N. Edgcombe. Sgt. W. A. Bell. Sgt. B. C. Mantle.	Captain. Plt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	2005	0135	7/10ths cloud. Visibility good. Saw various route markers, target located by red and green Target Indicators. Bombed from 20000 feet at 23.40 hours. Results not seen. The flak was slight and searchlights ineffective owing to cloud. Trip without incident. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 4lb; 52 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED74.	Sgt. P. Hanavan. Sgt. D. E. Day. P/O S. Smith. P/O A. Porter. W/O G. H. Riley. Sgt. E. J. Plumridge. Sgt. P. C. Smith.	Captain. Plt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	2010	0130	9/10ths cloud. Target located by aid of route markers and Target Indicators. Aimed bombs at centre of cluster of six green Target Indicators seen cascading - height 19000 feet, time 23.36 hours. Own results not seen, but raid appeared to be concentrated and successful. Defences heavy in the north, elsewhere comparatively quiet. <u>BOMB LOAD:</u> 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 4lb; 52 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. JA976.	P/Sgt. D. H. Cheney. Sgt. J. Roemer. Sgt. J. Welch. Sgt. A. Curties. Sgt. R. R. Pool. Sgt. W. M. Vait. Sgt. A. C. McRostie.	Captain. Plt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	2000	0120	6/10ths cloud, visibility good. Saw route markers, target located without difficulty. Made straight run over target, dropping bombs from 20000 feet at 23.42 hours, aiming at cluster of green target indicators. Raid seemed successful. Defences fairly quiet, no fighters seen. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 600 x 4lb; 52 x 30lb.	

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<u>22nd. - 23rd. September 1943</u>							
				<u>BOMBING - HANOVER</u>			
	Lancaster. ED593.	W/Cdr. R.E. Barker. Sgt. L. Flood. P/Sgt. A.W. Archer. P/O L.D. Crompt. P/Lt. R.W. Moore. Sgt. Mackay. P/O H. Stuffle.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. Air Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1840	0055	Clear, good visibility. Target identified by yellow flares followed by red and green TIs. Aimed bombs at centre of seven green Target Indicators, height 21000 feet, time 21.33 hours. Good fires, well concentrated, visible for 200 miles. Attacked by single engined fighter - rear gunner got in burst and fighter broke away. Many searchlights, ineffective. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1560 x 4lb; 80 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. KE191.	P/O M.F. Cooper. Sgt. F.C. Bull. P/Sgt. G. Kerr. P/Sgt. L. Christmann. Sgt. F.E. Robson. Sgt. R.J. Grist. Sgt. R. Sutherland.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. Air Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1855	0045	3/10ths cloud, tops well below. Target located by Pathfinder markers, also visually. Saw cluster of 15 - 20 green Target Indicators, bombed from 19500 feet at 21.40 hours. Fires were well concentrated over a wide area. Very successful first trip. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1560 x 4lb; 80 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED420.	P/O J.G. Barker. Sgt. W.A. Clark. Sgt. W. Rawlinson. Sgt. A.J. Williams. Sgt. R.C. Curtis. Sgt. V. Lynch. Sgt. J. Withington. Sgt. A.E. Elsworth.	Captain. 2nd. Pilot. Flt. Engr. Navigator. Air Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1855	2340	5/10ths cloud at about 4000 feet. On approaching Emden encountered very heavy and accurate flak - aircraft was damaged, rear turret being put unserviceable, sundry other damage. Attacked EMDEN as last resort - height 20000 feet, time 21.25 hours. Own bombs seen to burst. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1200 x 4lb; 80 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. DV271.	P/O S.R. Trill. Sgt. B. Evans. P/O L.C. Pittman. P/O R. Heatherington. P/S. T. Whyte. Sgt. L. Duffey. Sgt. A.S. Burgess.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. Air Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1905	0040	3/10ths cloud. Saw route markers, red and green TIs in target area. Bombed centre of three green Target Indicators, height 20300 feet, time 21.40 hours. Own results not seen and photograph showed fire tracks. Opposition heavy at first but it died away towards end of attack. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1560 x 4lb; 80 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. W4242.	P/O D.U. Gibbs. Sgt. W.R. Mason. Sgt. R. Appleyard. P/O V.L. Crompt. Sgt. R. Glover. Sgt. R.J. Smith. Sgt. R.F. Birch.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. Air Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1910	0100	Slight haze, no cloud. Target identified visually - built-up area clearly seen. Three green Target Indicators were seen to cascade, bombed from 21000 feet at 21.38 hours. Large fires raging in target area. Quiet and uneventful trip. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 960 x 4lb; 80 x 30lb.	
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<u>22nd. - 23rd, September 1943 (continued)</u>							
	Lancaster. ED801.	F/O I. B. Harvey. Sgt. W. Brownjohn. Sgt. E. Neale. F/O S. J. Abbott. Sgt. W. Edgecombe. Sgt. W. A. Bell. Sgt. S. G. Kentle.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. Air Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1845	0100	3/40ths cloud, scattered, 6000feet. Flares and markers seen over Oldenburg, yellow, red and green TIs seen over target. Attacked by JU88 on bombing run - dropped bombs without sighting, height 21000 feet, time 21.14 hours. No results seen, large concentrated fires seen in target. Fighter was driven off and claimed as damaged. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1560 x 4lb; 80 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED874.	F/O J. G. Claridge. F/Sgt. L. Bending. Sgt. L. G. Barry. Sgt. J. G. Bell. Sgt. H. O. Jones. F/Sgt. T. Ross. Sgt. J. Graves.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. Air Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1900	0015	Little cloud, good visibility. Target identified visually, confirmed by Pathfinder markers. Aimed bombs at centre of cluster of three green Target Indicators from 19300 feet, time 2131 hours. Very good concentration of fires. Flak and searchlights ineffective. Quiet and uneventful trip. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1560 x 4lb; 80 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. JA973.	F/O A. F. Evans. Sgt. A. Johnson. F/O R. A. Roberts. F/O R. J. Elsey. Sgt. R. C. Thompson. Sgt. W. F. Tooley. Sgt. R. Castleman.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. Air Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1845	0015	No cloud, good visibility. Yellow, red and green target indicators seen over target - aimed bombs at centre of cluster of green TIs seen, burning in built-up area. Height 16000 feet, time 2132 hours. Photograph plotted of the AIMING POINT. Fires seen 150 miles away. Many searchlights but little flak. <u>BOMB LOAD:</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1560 x 4lb; 80 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. JA876.	F/O C. H. Storer. F/Sgt. J. Coulton. Sgt. E. G. Grundy. Sgt. E. E. Hackett. Sgt. F. W. Kite. Sgt. C. Frankish. Sgt. N. J. Martin.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. Air Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1855	0050	No cloud, good visibility. White, yellow and red flares seen on approach to target. Aimed bombs at centre of concentration of green target indicators from 20000 feet at 2149 hours. Own results not seen but very large fires seen raging in target area. Defences not very strong but numbers of fighters seen. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1560 x 4lb; 80 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED358.	F/O F. Hanavan. Sgt. D. E. Day. F/O S. Smith. F/O A. Porter. W/O G. H. Riley. Sgt. E. Davies. Sgt. F. G. Smith.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. Air Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1905	0115	No cloud, good visibility. Target located without difficulty, saw built-up area and various markers. Aimed bombs at concentration of 6 green Target Indicators from 19000 feet, time 2143 hours. Own results not seen, but there were enormous fires in target area. Flak defences very light. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 80 x 30lb; 1200 x 5lb.	

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<u>22nd. - 23rd. September 1943 (continued)</u>							
				<u>BOMBING - HANOVER</u>			
	Lancaster. W.897.	P/O J. Forayth. Sgt. A. Woolley. P/O Greenhalgh. Sgt. T. Clarkson. Sgt. H. Godden. Sgt. J. H. Brabson. Sgt. J. Prayvinski.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. Air Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1900	0110	Little cloud, good visibility. Located target, saw red and green Pathfinder markers. Aimed bombs at centre of three green target indicators from 20000 feet, time 21.44 hours. Fires appeared to be well concentrated. Little opposition. Trip quiet and uneventful. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1560 x 4lb; 80 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. DN229.	P/O B.K. Turner. Sgt. H. Kendall. Sgt. J. E. Glanvill. Sgt. M. Woodward. Sgt. G. H. Denton. Sgt. J. Peers. Sgt Glanvill C.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner. A/Bomber.	1900	0035	Little cloud, smoke haze, good visibility. Target identified with assistance of PFF markers, lake in target area seen before bombing. Aimed bombs at centre of cluster of green Target Indicators, seen cascading. Numerous fires seen. Flak moderate but aircraft was damaged. Trip was a quiet one. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1560 x 4lb; 80 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. R5609.	P/O J. R. Hoboken. Sgt. E. C. Holbourn. Sgt. A. Hobbes. P/O J. P. Jenkins. P/O J. C. Graham. P/O A. W. Reed. Sgt. F. Williamson. Sgt. G. S. Groom.	Captain. 2nd Pilot. Flt. Engr. Navigator. Air Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1855	0045	No cloud, good visibility. Aimed bombs at large cluster of green target indicators - height 20000 feet, time 21.49 hours. Own results not seen, but large fires were visible from the coast. Opposition was only moderate, no fighters seen. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1560 x 4lb; 80 x 30lb.	

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<u>23rd - 24th September 1943</u>				<u>BOMBING - HANDELMAN</u>			
	Lancaster. DV272.	S/L D.W.S. Howroyd. P/O J. Linton. Sgt. H. Davies. P/O G.R. Brown. Sgt. D.S. Chappell. Sgt. R.G. Kelly. P/O J. Horobin.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gun. R/Gunner.	1900	0240	No cloud, visibility good. Saw route markers, red and green TIs at target. Bombed at 22.12 hours from 19000 feet, aiming bombs at concentration of green Target Indicators. Good fires were left burning. Opposition light. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1080 x 4lb; 76 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED873.	P/O N.R. Cooper. Sgt. F.C. Bull. P/Sgt. C.J. Kerr. P/Sgt. L. Christmass. Sgt. F.E. Robson. Sgt. R.J. Crist. Sgt. H. Suthers.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1900	0215	No cloud, smoke haze. Target located by large fires and Pathfinder markers. Aimed bombs at centre of cluster of green Target Indicators - height 20000 feet, time 22.11 hours. Attacks seemed highly successful. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1080 x 4lb; 76 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. DV274.	P/O N.J. Callan. Sgt. J.W. Scholey. Sgt. H.S. Tate. Sgt. J. Gomersall. P/S W.A. Davies. Sgt. S.O. Tunbridge. Sgt. R.A. Read.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1900	0210	No cloud but much smoke over target. Saw red and green route markers, red, yellow and green Target Indicators. Three of the latter were in sights when bombing from 19000 feet at 22.10 hours. Own results not seen but bombing appeared accurate and concentrated. Defences not very troublesome. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1080 x 4lb; 76 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED420.	P/O J.G. Barker. P/O J. Lee. Sgt. W. Rawlinson. Sgt. A.G. Mearns. Sgt. R.G. Curtis. Sgt. V. Lynch. Sgt. J. Withington. Sgt. A.E. Elsworth.	Captain. 2nd Pilot. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1900	0130	Clear, good visibility. Route markers seen, target located and yellow, red and green target indicators were seen to cascade in target area. Aimed bombs at centre of cluster of green target indicators, height 20000 feet, time 2153 hours. Fires in target were well concentrated. Defences were light and trip was mainly uneventful. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1080 x 4lb; 76 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. DV271.	P/O S.R. Trill. Sgt. B. Royans. P/O L.C. Pittman. P/O Heatherington R. P/S T. Whyte. Sgt. T. Duffy. Sgt. A.S. Burgess.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1845	-	Nothing was heard from this aircraft after take-off. <u>FAILED TO RETURN.</u>	

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Sgt. T. Duffy.  
Sgt. A. S. Burgess.

M/U Gunner.  
R/Gunner.

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<u>23rd - 24th September 1943 (continued)</u>				<u>BOMBING - MANNEBTM</u>			
Lancaster. W242.	F/O D. U. Gibbs. Sgt. W. R. Mason. Sgt. R. Appleyard. F/O V. L. Cramp. Sgt. R. Cleeve. Sgt. R. J. Smith. Sgt. R. F. Birch.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1855	0230	3/10ths cloud, tops <del>2000</del> 6000 feet. Red and green markers seen en route, yellow, red and green Target Indicators over target area. Aimed bombs at green target indicator from 20000 feet at 2213 hours. Own results not seen but raid was well concentrated. Quiet and uneventful trip. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 700 x 4lb; 64 x 30lb.		
Lancaster. R5609.	Sgt. W. A. Clark. Sgt. A. Williams. Sgt. R. H. Benks. F/O L. R. Eim. Sgt. J. Ford. Sgt. C. A. MacLaren. Sgt. R. Hughes.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1900	0235	No cloud, good visibility. Target located and identified with aid of Pathfinder Markers. Saw green Target Indicators cascading, bombed <del>2211</del> 2211 hours from 21000 feet. Own results not observed but there were many large fires and a great volume of smoke in the target area. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 700 x 4lb; 64 x 30lb.		
Lancaster. E8191.	F/O E. C. Holbourn. Sgt. H. V. Falsaley. Sgt. B. H. Burton. Sgt. T. T. Powell. Sgt. J. H. Dyer. Sgt. T. H. Mallett. Sgt. J. R. Waller.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1900	0205	No cloud, good visibility. Saw route markers, target located and identified visually. Aimed bombs at centre of cluster of green Target Indicators - height 17800 feet at 2157 hours. Large fires burning in target area. The route was good and the opposition only slight. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1080 x 4lb; 76 x 30lb.		
Lancaster. ED593.	S/Ldr. A. E. Crowe. F/Sgt. T. Flower. F/Lt. G. Crowe. F/Sgt. G. Feltham. W/O T. Keill. F/S J. Dunn. W/O G. Christie.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1905	0140	No cloud, good visibility. Located target - saw Pathfinder flares, markers and built-up area. Cluster of green target indicators seen to cascade - aimed bombs at this concentration from 18300 feet at 2154 hours. Own results not observed, noted very large fires in target area. Opposition only slight. Uneventful trip. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1080 x 4lb; 76 x 30lb.		
Lancaster. ED874.	F/O J. G. Claridge. F/Sgt. L. Bending. Sgt. L. G. Barry. Sgt. J. C. Bell. Sgt. H. C. Jones. F/Sgt. T. Ross. Sgt. S. Graves.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1850	0130	No cloud, good visibility. Target located visually. Saw Pathfinder flares and markers - six green target indicators were in sights when bombing from 17800 feet at 2154 hours. Results not seen but attack as a whole seemed concentrated and successful. Good trip. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1080 x 4lb; 76 x 30lb.		

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<u>23rd-24th September 1943 (continued).</u>				<u>BOMBING -- MANVHEIM</u>			
	Lancaster JA973	P/O A. A. Poore Sgt A. Johnson P/O R. A. Roberts P/O R. J. Elsey Sgt R. C. Thompson Sgt W. F. Tooke Sgt R. Castleman	Captain Flt Engineer Navigator Air Bomber W/Operator M/Upr Gunner Rear Gunner	18.55	01.35	No cloud, some ground haze. Route markers seen on outward trip. Red, yellow and green TIs seen in target area, also identified built-up area. Aimed bombs at concentration of green target indicators - height 18500 feet, time 21.47 hours. Took photograph of the <u>AIMING POINT</u> . Raid appeared accurate and successful. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1080 x 41b; 76 x 301b.	
	Lancaster JA876	P/O G. H. Storer P/Sgt J. Coulton Sgt E. G. Grundy Sgt R. E. Hackett Sgt P. W. Kite Sgt C. Frankish Sgt M. J. Martin	Captain Flt Engineer Navigator Air Bomber W/Operator M/Upr Gunner Rear Gunner	19.05	01.45	No cloud, smoke haze. River clearly identified, green, red and white flares seen. Aimed bombs at centre of concentration of green Target Indicators, height 18500 feet, time 22.07 hours. Fires well concentrated around TIs. Flak only moderate; fighter flares seen. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1080 x 41b; 76 x 301b.	
	Lancaster ED358	P/O F. Hanavan Sgt D. E. Day P/Sgt A. W. Archer P/O A. Porter W/O G. H. Elley Sgt E. J. Flumridge Sgt F. G. Smith	Captain Flt Engineer Navigator Air Bomber W/Operator M/Upr Gunner Rear Gunner	19.15	02.00	No cloud, good visibility apart from smoke. Located target, saw Pathfinder flares. Dropped bombs amongst green target indicators. Large fires and explosions seen, huge pall of smoke over target. Defences comparatively light, searchlights ineffective. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1080 x 41b; 76 x 301b.	
	Lancaster WA897	P/O J. Forsyth Sgt A. Woolley P/O F. Greenhalgh Sgt T. Clarkson Sgt H. Godden Sgt J. H. Brabazon Sgt J. Fryzbylki	Captain Flt Engineer Navigator Air Bomber W/Operator M/Upr Gunner Rear Gunner	19.10	02.30	Clear, good visibility. Red and green markers seen en route, target easily located. Green Target Indicators seen cascading at target - aimed bombs at cluster of these, height 19000 feet, time 22.08 hours. Own results not seen. Trip quiet and uneventful. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 780 x 41b; 64 x 301b.	
	Lancaster DW229	P/O P. K. Turner Sgt H. Keddall Sgt J. K. Glanville Sgt A. Porritt Sgt N. Woodward Sgt G. H. Buntick Sgt J. Pears	Captain Flt Engineer Navigator Air Bomber W/Operator M/Upr Gunner Rear Gunner	19.10	02.15	No cloud, some haze. The route markers were seen and the target located without difficulty. Red, yellow and green target indicators seen in target area - bombed from 19000 feet at 22.10 hours. Own results not seen, large fires in target. Searchlights mainly ineffective, flak light. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1080 x 41b; 64 x 301b.	

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<u>27th. - 28th. September 1943</u>			<u>BOMBING</u>			<u>HANOVER</u>	
	Lancaster. DV272.	S/Ldr. D. Howroyd. Sgt. E. T. G. Lester. Sgt. T. H. Davies. P/O G. E. Brown. Sgt. D. Chappell. Sgt. R. G. Kelly. P/O J. Horobin.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1930	0130	Clear, no cloud, good visibility. Target identified by red and green markers. Aimed bombs at cluster of green target indicators - height 21000 feet, time 22.16 hours. Own results not seen, large fires in target area. Heavy flak over target, about 150 searchlights in operation. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 105 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED120.	P/O J. G. Barker. P/O W. Lee. Sgt. W. Rawlinson. Sgt. Burgess, R.E. Sgt. R. C. Curtis. Sgt. V. Lynch. Sgt. J. Withington. Sgt. A. E. Elsworth.	Captain. 2nd Pilot. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1910	0035	Clear, good visibility. Lake to NW of target identified visually, saw red and green target markers. Cluster of green target indicators seen cascading were in sights - bombed from 20000 feet, time 22.00 hours. Fires just starting as aircraft (in first wave) left. Very quiet trip, except low cloud and heavy rain for return. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 900 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. W4242.	P/O M. R. Cooper. Sgt. T. W. Bull. P/Sgt. J. Kerr. P/Sgt. L. Christmass. Sgt. E. E. Robson. Sgt. R. J. Grist. Sgt. H. Suthers.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1925	2235	Both rear- and mid- upper gun turrets failed. Mission abandoned.	
	Lancaster. EE191.	P/O E. C. Holbourn. Sgt. H. V. Walsley. Sgt. E. N. Burton. Sgt. T. T. Powell. Sgt. J. H. Dyer. Sgt. T. H. Mallett. Sgt. J. R. Waller.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1925	0100	Clear with good visibility. Two white flares seen over lake, green and red Target Indicators at target. Aimed bombs at centre of number of green TIs - height 19000 feet, time 22.18 hours. Fires were well concentrated. Attacked by FW190 over target - claimed as damaged. Defences only moderate. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 900 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. DV274.	P/O N. J. Callan. Sgt. J. W. Scholey. Sgt. H. S. Tate. Sgt. J. Gomersall. Sgt. W. A. Davies. Sgt. S. O. Tunbridge. Sgt. R. A. Read.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1935	0105	Clear, good visibility. White flares seen over lake, red, yellow and green TIs over target. Centre of 8 or 10 green target indicators were in sights - bombed from 20000 feet at 22.19 hours. Own results not seen, fires well concentrated around aiming point. Defences lights, fighters - use of white flares. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	1 2

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<u>27th - 28th September 1943 (continued)</u>							
	Lancaster. R5609.	P/O W.A. Clark. Sgt. A. Williams. Sgt. M. Banks. P/O L.R. Rinn. Sgt. J. Ford. Sgt. C.A. McLaren. Sgt. R. Hughes.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Optry. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1940	0120	No cloud, good visibility. White flares over lake, red, yellow and green markers over target. Two green target indicators seen to disappear in concentration of fires, dropped bombs from 21000 feet at 22.20 hours. Attack appeared to be successful. Many fighters but no combats. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 4 x 4000lb; 900 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED873.	P/O J.H.S. Lee. Sgt. S.W. Sims. P/O H.K. Langrish. P/O H.S. Beven. Sgt. J. Gralinger. Sgt. T. Monteith. Sgt. R.F. Birch.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1950	0110	Clear, good visibility. Spoor attack seen at Brunswick. Located target, aimed bombs at centre of three green target indicators, height 20000 feet, time 22.04 hours. Own results not observed, attack appeared concentrated. Successful first trip. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED593.	P/O J. Hoboken. Sgt. G.E. Lucas. P/O J. Jenkins. P/O J.C. Graham. P/O A.W. Read. Sgt. F. Williamson. Sgt. G.S. Broom.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1915	0045	Clear, good visibility. Red and green TIs seen to cascade on target, aimed bombs at centre of three green target indicators. Incendiaries were seen to be catching on as aircraft left - on first wave. Searchlights numerous but not very effective. Flak moderate. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. W.897.	P/Lt. C.J. Ginder. Sgt. A. Woolley. P/O J. Pegliere. P/O W.G. Seymour. Sgt. W.J. Fox. Sgt. R. Mackay. Sgt. N.J. Bulcock.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1945	0120	No cloud, good visibility. White flares seen over lake, bombed from 20000 feet at 22.22 hours, aiming at cluster of green target indicators. Good concentration of fires, attack appeared to be successful. Opposition light. Crew's first trip. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 900 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED801.	P/O I.R. Harvey. Sgt. W. Brown John. Sgt. E. Neale. P/O S.J. Abbott. Sgt. N. Edgecombe. Sgt. W.A. Bell. Sgt. S.O. Mantle.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1940	0025	No cloud, good visibility. White flares at lake, Pathfinder markers seen over target. Cluster of green Target Indicators seen - dropped bombs from 21000 feet at 22.02 hours. Good concentration of fires visible 150 miles away. Good trip. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	

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(9311) Wt. 9311-56 60,000 5/62 T.S. 700

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(\*9821) Wt. 9250-25 60,000 lbs T.S. 700

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	'CREW'	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
27th. - 28th. September 1943 (continued)							
	Lancaster. DN229.	P/O W. Perry. Sgt. L. Blood. P/Sgt. J. Booden. P/Sgt. L. J. Hazell. P/O Cummins. Sgt. E. Davies. Sgt. J. Przybicki.	Captain. Plt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1940	0115	BOMBING - HANOVER Clear, with good visibility. White flares seen over Lake NW of Hanover. Located target, green target indicators seen to cascade. Dropped bombs from 21300 feet at 22.20 hours. Own results not seen but attack was well coordinated. Heavy flak moderate, searchlights ineffective. BOMB LOAD 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 10 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED358.	P/O P. Menzies. Sgt. D. E. Day. P/O S. Smith. P/O R. L. Wake. W/O G. H. Riley. Sgt. E. J. Plummeridge. Sgt. G. Smith.	Captain. Plt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Optr. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1915	0045	No cloud, visibility good. Located target with aid of Pathfinder markers, also visually. Six green target indicators seen to cascade - aimed bombs at centre of them, height 18600 feet, time 22.03 hours. Took photograph of the ADMIRAL POINT. Defences very slight, no fighters seen. BOMB LOAD 1 x 4000lb; 900 x 4lb; 10 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. JA973.	P/Lt. A. P. Poore. P/Sgt. R. F. Anderson. Sgt. A. Johnson. P/O R. A. Roberts. P/O R. J. Elsey. Sgt. R. C. Thompson. Sgt. W. F. Tookey. Sgt. R. Castleman.	Captain. 2nd. Pilot. Plt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1920	0050	No cloud, hazy. White flare seen over lake, red, yellow and green flares seen at target. About six green target indicators were in sights and seen to cascade - bombed from 20000 feet, time 22.04 hours. Raid appeared successful and concentrated. Good trip except for shocking weather over Base on return. BOMB LOAD 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 10 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. JA876.	P/O G. H. Storer. P/S. J. Coulton. Sgt. E. G. Grundy. Sgt. R. E. Hackett. Sgt. F. W. Kite. Sgt. C. Frankish. Sgt. M. J. Martin.	Captain. Plt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Optr. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1925	2240	Rear turret failed, Mission Abandoned.	

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29th. - 30th. September 1943				MINING - "Private Area"			
	Lancaster. ED593.	P/O J.R. Hoboken. Sgt. G.R. Lucas. P/O J.P. Jenkins. P/O J.C. Graham. Lt. McDonald. P/O A.W. Read. Sgt. F. Williamson. Sgt. E. Broome.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1800	0440	No cloud, visibility good. Pinpointed visually 5420N 1944E, then flew for 3 minutes 12 seconds on 290° M. Five mines dropped in the required area at intervals of 5½ seconds. Uneventful and successful trip with no opposition except little light flak over Sweden. <u>MINE LOAD</u> 5 x 1570lb.	
	Lancaster. ED574.	P/Lt. J.G. Claridge. P/Sgt. L. Bending. Sgt. L.G. Barry. Sgt. J.G. Bell. Sgt. H.C. Jones. P/Sgt. T. Ross. Sgt. S. Graves.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1800	0400	Patch of cloud with base at 2000 feet, clear at 1500 feet. Pinpointed 5420N 1913E and then a timed run of 6 miles on heading of 300° M. Five mines dropped in the required area at 5½ second intervals. No opposition encountered. <u>MINE LOAD</u> 5 x 1570lb.	
29th. - 30th. September 1943				BOMBING - BOCHUM			
	Lancaster. W4897.	P/O J. Forsyth. Sgt. A. Woolley. P/O E.G. Greenhalgh. Sgt. T. Clarkson. Sgt. L. Godden. Sgt. J.H. Brabazon. Sgt. J. Fraybylski.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1825	2315	Clear with good visibility. Green tracking flares seen, release point flares seen over target. One red target indicator seen to cascade - bombed from 20000 feet at 2051 hours. Fires just starting as aircraft left. Uneventful and quiet trip. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 900 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. DY229.	P/O W. Perry. P/O J.V. Latham. Sgt. L. Flood. P/Sgt. J. Poaden. P/Sgt. L.J. Maxwell. P/O R.D. Gunnison. Sgt. E. Davies. Sgt. A. Groombridge.	Captain. 2nd. Pilot. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1815	2300	Clear, good visibility. Green flares seen en route, Pathfinder markers over target. Aimed bombs at centre of two <del>green</del> red target indicators which were seen to cascade - height 20000 feet, time 2052 hours. Several large fires and explosions seen. Attack seemed successful, little opposition. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. JA973.	P/O L.R. Harvey. Sgt. E.A. Hinkley. Sgt. W. Brownjohn. Sgt. E. Neale. P/O S.C. Abbott. Sgt. N. Edgecombe. Sgt. W.A. Bell. Sgt. S.O. Mantle.	Captain. 2nd. Pilot. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1830	2235	Visibility good. Target located by Pathfinder Markers and flares but nothing in sights at time of bombing. Attacked from 20000 feet at 2045 hours, own results not observed. Defences very light both in searchlights and flak. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	

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(\*5525) W/L 2251-56 50,000 size T.S. 700

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Sgt. N. Edgcombe.  
Sgt. W. A. Bell.  
Sgt. S. G. Ventle.

W/Operator.  
M/U Gunner.  
R/Gunner.

and flak.

BOMB LOAD

1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.

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				Up	Down		
29th. - 30th. September 1943. (continued)				BOMBING - BOCHUM			
	Lancaster. JA876.	P/O C.H. Storer. P/S J. Coulton. Sgt. E.C. Grundy. Sgt. R.E. Hackett. Sgt. F.W. Kite. Sgt. C. Frankish. Sgt. M.J. Martin.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1820	2305	No cloud, some haze. Route markers seen at point "X", red, green TIs and Wanganui Flares seen in target area. Bombed from 19500 feet, time 2052 hours. Own results not seen, but several large fires and an extensive smoke pall observed. Defences very weak. Quiet trip. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. DV297.	P/Lt. C.J. Ginden. Sgt. J.C. Lancaster. P/O D.A. Pagliaro. P/O W.G. Seymour. Sgt. W.J. Fox. Sgt. R. Mackay. Sgt. N.J. Bulcock.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1825	2340	No cloud, visibility good. Green flares seen on track, Pathfinder markers seen over target. Green Target Indicators seen cascading, bombed from 20000 feet at 2100 hours. Fairly good fires seen burning in target area. Flak moderate, searchlights aimless and ineffective. <u>BOMB LOAD:</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED358.	P/O P. Hanavan. Sgt. D.E. Day. P/O S. Smith. P/O R.L. Wake. W/O G.E. Riley. Sgt. E.J. Plumridge. Sgt. F.C. Smith.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1830	2310	About 3/10ths thin cloud. Tracking flares seen, green sky markers over target. Aimed bombs at concentration of green Target Indicators seen cascading - height 18000 feet, time 2059 hours. Own results not seen, noted large fires in target area. Defences comparatively light. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 900 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. DV272.	P/O N.P. Cooper. Sgt. F.C. W. Pull. P/Sgt. C.J. Kerr. P/Sgt. L. Christmass. Sgt. F.E. Robson. Sgt. H. Suthers. Sgt. E.J. Crist.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1825	2315	Clear with good visibility. Green tracking flares seen, Pathfinder markers seen over target. One red Target Indicator in sights, seen cascading - bombing height 20000 feet, time 2101 hours. Attack seemed well concentrated. Defences ineffective. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED420.	P/O J.H.S. Lee. Sgt. S.W. Simes. P/O H.W. Langrish. P/O H.E. Beven. Sgt. E. Crainger. Sgt. L.V. P. Terry. Sgt. T. Monteith.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1820	2325	Clear with good visibility. Green tracking flares seen, red and green TIs and release point flares over target. Bombed from 21000 feet, time 2101 hours. Fires well concentrated. Quiet and uneventful trip. Defences not up to standard. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 900 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	

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29th - 30th September 1943 (continued)							
	Lancaster. W4242.	P/O A.E. Hay. Sgt. R.T.G. Lester. Sgt. R.E. Burgess. Sgt. K. Saunders. P/Sgt. J.F. Ellins. Sgt. E.V.M. Day. P/Sgt. Gustard.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1825	2130		
						Mission abandoned owing to rear turret being u/s.	
	Lancaster. DN274.	P/O M. Lee. Sgt. H. Snowling. Sgt. A. McKie. Sgt. G. Hoyland. Sgt. R. Hummiston. Sgt. E. Thornton.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1830	2335	Visibility good, clear. Green tracking flares seen, target located without difficulty. Red and green TIs and sky markers seen at target. Aimed bombs at green Target Indicator from 20000 feet, time 2104 hours. Own results not seen, attack was well concentrated. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. EE191.	P/O E.C. Holbourn. Sgt. H.V. Walmsley. Sgt. E.N. Burton. Sgt. L.T. Powell. Sgt. J.H. Iyer. Sgt. T.H. Mallett. Sgt. R.A. Read.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1825	2355	Clear, good visibility. Green tracking flares seen, Pathfinder markers seen at target. Aimed bombs at clusters of red target indicators seen cascading - height 2105ft., <del>time</del> time 19500 feet. Fires well concentrated. A good trip with no troubles at all. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. ED873.	P/O D.U. Gibbs. Sgt. W.R. Mason. P/S R. Appleyard. P/O N.L. Cramp. P/Lt. E.W. Moore. Sgt. R.J. Smith. Sgt. R.P. Birch.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Optr. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1825	2330	3/10ths cloud, some ground haze. Route markers seen, red, green TIs in target area, also release point flares. Bombed on timed run from RP flares, height 20000 feet, time 2051 hours. Own results not seen, fires well concentrated. Quiet and uneventful trip. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	
	Lancaster. P5609.	P/O W.A. Clarke. Sgt. A. Williams. Sgt. R.E. Banks. P/O L.B. Rinn. Sgt. J. Ford. Sgt. R. Hughes. Sgt. C.A. McLaren.	Captain. Flt. Engr. Navigator. A/Bomber. W/Operator. M/U Gunner. R/Gunner.	1830	2320	No cloud, good visibility. Green flares seen en route, Pathfinder markers over target. Three green target indicators seen cascading - bombed from 21000 feet at 2102 hours. Own results not seen, flak moderate only but aircraft was holed in the nose. <u>BOMB LOAD</u> 1 x 4000lb; 1260 x 4lb; 104 x 30lb.	

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