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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
29th July	LANCASTER I & III.		To cause maximum				
to	J.A. 868.	F/S. R. B. Cant. Sgt. G. E. Thomas. Sgt. W. D. A. Teare. Sgt. S. Horton. Sgt. E. Dickson. Sgt. W. Milburn. Sgt. R. Parkinsons	Damage to target	2249	0416	HAMBURG. (Cont).	
30th July	J.A. 868.	F/S. R. B. Atkinson. Sgt. G. F. Brice. Sgt. R. J. H. Littleton. Sgt. A. L. Norman. Sgt. H. K. Garrawal. Sgt. A. V. Collins. Sgt. R. E. Faggart.		2247	0349		
	E.D. 886.	Sgt. H. Campbell. Sgt. M. Hartley. Sgt. R. J. McArthur. Sgt. T. W. Moore. Sgt. J. J. Robshaw. Sgt. C. O'Neill. Sgt. W. H. Chambers.		2246	0539		
30th July	LANCASTER I & III.					REMSCHIED.	APPENDIX
to	D.V. 220.	W/O. S. F. Cage. F/S. J. M. Stewart. F/S. H. J. Dawson. Sgt. R. J. Westwood. Sgt. D. Major. P/O. F. J. A. Belbet. F/S. V. G. Teatts		2204	0249	At first twenty-four aircraft were detailed for operations on REMSCHIED and SOLINGEN, but owing to weather conditions the effort was reduced throughout Command, and so we sent off only six aircraft to attack REMSCHIED.	'A' 166.
31st July	D.V. 220.	F/O. C. N. Hammond. Sgt. J. M. Walton. F/S. L. K. Teitzel. Sgt. E. E. Jones. Sgt. A. I. Pilbeam. Sgt. J. K. Doncaster. Sgt. S. D. Clewer.		2202	0311	The load was 1 x 4000 lb., 3 x 1000 lb., 6 x 8 x 30 lbs. and 6 ² / ₃ x 90 x 4 lbs. incendiaries. W/O. CHESTERTON carried an additional 1 x 1000 lb.	
	E.E. 196.					The route was :- BASE - ORFORDNESS - 5140N 0200E - FURNES - 5030N - 515E - 5035N 0735E - THUFF - 5102N 0630E - 5150N 0230E - SOUTHWOLD - BASE.	

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				Up	Down		
27th July	LANCASTER I & III					H A M B U R G. (Cont).	
to	J.A. 868.	F/S. R.B. Cant. Sgt. G. E. Thomas. Sgt. F. D. S. Teare. Sgt. S. Horton. Sgt. E. Dickson. Sgt. W. Malburn. Sgt. R. Parkinson.	To cause maximum damage to target area.	2236	0415		
28th July							
	E.D. 731.	F/S. R. Atkinson. Sgt. G. F. Brace. Sgt. R. J. H. Littleton. Sgt. A. L. Norman. Sgt. K. S. Lewis. P/O. H. G. Cook. Sgt. R. E. Tagger.		2232	0403		
29th July	LANCASTER I & III.		To cause maximum			H A M B U R G.	APPENDIX
to	E.D. 492.	P/O. J. H. Ratcliff. Sgt. C. Gratton. Sgt. M. R. Lewis. Sgt. F. Brown. Sgt. E. G. Sweet. Sgt. R. L. Lyons. Sgt. A. I. Smith.	damage to target	2210	0321	Twenty-six aircraft were detailed for this attack, carrying the usual loads, plus cameras and nickels, and took the route :- BASE - 5430N 0700E - 5420N 0944E - TARGET - 5322N 0938E - 5420N 0700E - BASE.	'A' 165.
30th July							
	E.D. 645.	W/O. J. S. Stoneman. W/C. J. A. Slater. P/O. D. C. Elder. P/O. C. E. T. Bryan. W/O. J. Flynn. Sgt. T. Stanley. W/O. A. W. H. Page. P/S. C. C. Bradley.		2213	0305	The raid appears to have been just as much a success as the last raid, but the flak was a little more sustained and more searchlights were reported. There was no cloud. There were several sightings and approachings of enemy aircraft, but no combats.	
	E.D. 922.	W/O. R. Dash. Sgt. W. J. Forgan. Sgt. J. M. Barrett. Sgt. E. D. Giles. Sgt. L. C. Spurgeon. Sgt. F. A. Crawford. Sgt. F. J. Swift.		2205	0312	F/S. BROWN bombed the markers from 20,000 ft at 0142 hrs. W/O. DASH bombed the markers from 21,500 ft at 0048 hrs. F/S. RHODES bombed the markers from 19,800 ft. at 0140 hrs. SGT. CAMPBELL bombed the markers from 21,000 ft at 0130 hrs. F/S. CANT bombed the markers from 20,000 ft at 0124 hrs.	

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(Total) Wt. 60,000 lbs. T.S. 700
 (Fuel) Wt. 50,000 lbs. T.S. 1400

DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
24th July	LANCASTER I & III.		To cause maximum damage to target 2204 area.			H A M B U R G. (Cont).	
to	E.D. 878.	W/O. R. B. O'Hanlon, Sgt. G. I. Bailey, Sgt. C. P. Kilner, Sgt. R. L. Perry, Sgt. T. B. Witts, Sgt. J. G. Hamilton, Sgt. A. G. Broadmore.					
25th July							
	E.D. 904.	W/O. B. B. Davidson, Sgt. H. N. Jones, Sgt. L. F. Comer, Sgt. J. J. E. Gee, Sgt. L. English, Sgt. J. W. Cummings, Sgt. C. V. Galavan.		2235	04.06		
	J.A. 704.	F/S. R. B. Cent, Sgt. G. E. Thomas, Sgt. T. D. C. Years, Sgt. S. Horton, Sgt. R. Dickson, Sgt. W. Campbell, Sgt. R. Parkinson.		2247	04.29		
25th July	LANCASTER I & III.		To cause maximum damage to target 2157 area			E S S E N.	APPENDIX 'A' 163.
to	J.A. 855.	S/L. G. R. Carpenter, F/S. L. V. V. V. V., F/O. J. D. B. Cooper, Sgt. J. M. Bucklitch, Sgt. L. L. Brazill, Sgt. K. C. Tate, Sgt. J. H. Thornton, Sgt. G. H. Newbolt.		2157		Twenty-one aircraft were detailed to attack this target, eighteen with 1 x 4000 lb., 3 x 1000 lb., 6 x 8 x 30 and 6 x 90 x 4 lbs. and three with 1 x 4000 lb., 2 x 1000 lb., 6 x 8 x 30 lbs. and 5 ² / ₃ x 90 x 4 lbs. incendiaries. Cameras and nickels were carried.	
26th July						The route was :- BASE - MABLETHORPE - 5300N 0332E - BROMOND - 515N 0638E - TARGET - MOORDWIJK - 524N 0305E - BASE.	
	E.D. 767.	F/L. D. W. Finlay, Sgt. J. A. McFarlane, Sgt. I. D. Fletcher, Sgt. H. S. Wheeler, Sgt. R. H. J. Rowe, F/S. R. J. E. Vivers, Sgt. W. C. C. Gillespie.		2152	0216	The flak and searchlights in the target area were not anything like the usual standard of intensity and appeared to become thoroughly disorganised as the raid progressed.	11 23 9

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				UP	DOWN		
3rd July	LANCASTER I & III.		To cause maximum				
to	E.D. 904.	F/S. B.B. Davidson Sgt. H. Jones Sgt. L. R. Gomer Sgt. L. J. E. Gee Sgt. L. English Sgt. J. W. Cummings Sgt. G. V. Galavan	Damage to target area.	2356	0443	COLOGNE. (Cont).	
4th July							
	E.D. 773.	F/S. R.B. Cant. Sgt. E. K. Thomas Sgt. T. D. G. Peers Sgt. S. Horton Sgt. E. Dickson Sgt. W. Milburn Sgt. R. Parkinson		2304	0437		
	E.D. 751.	F/S. D.L.S. Barr. Sgt. R. F. Garvie Sgt. H. Gardner F/S. G. H. Isaacs Sgt. P. Maynard Sgt. D. F. O. Turner Sgt. E. Hollas		2305	0500		
6th July	LANCASTER I & III.		To lay mines in				
to	E.D. 713.	F/S. G. Bass F/O. F. L. Wallace F/O. R. E. Ault Sgt. G. H. Brittle Sgt. M. J. Sheedy Sgt. J. W. Hase Sgt. G. B. Gierow	target area.	2229	0513	MINE LAYING OFF MOUTH OF RIVER GIRONDE. Four aircraft were detailed to lay six mines each in the mouth of the River Gironde, to interrupt submarine and other traffic to and from Bordeaux. The route taken was :- BASE - SEISEY BILL - 4630N 0147W - AREA - 4630N 0147W - 492AN 0056W - SEISEY BILL - BASE.	APPENDIX 'A' 158.
7th July							
	E.E. 196.	Sgt. J. D. Warron Sgt. J. R. Evans Sgt. M. N. Greenwell Sgt. F. P. Smith Sgt. J. Mann Sgt. N. H. Bolt Sgt. W. S. Russell		2230	0456	F/S. BUNYEN laid his mines from 4,500 ft at 0451 hrs. SGT. WARREN laid his mines from 1,000 ft at 0205 hrs. F/S. BASS spent 20 minutes in the area, but was unable to pin-point owing to 10/10ths cloud at 1,500 ft. and hard rain, so he brought his mines back. F/S. BARR and his crew failed to return and have	129