Michael Lauren:

DATE:

11/12th September 1941

PLACE:

Gransund near Stubbekøbing on Falster Island.

TIME:

0215 hours

AIRCRAFT:

Whitley Mk. V Z6488

UNIT:

No. 58 Bomber Squadron, No. 4 Bomber Group, Linton-on-Ouse, Yorks.

CODE:

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MISSION:

bombing mission to Warnemunde; up at hours

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CREW:

748457 W/O Collin Robert Dillon Browne - 1st pilot

POW

101531 F/O Robert Taylor Charles Oliver White - 2nd pilot

POM

754852 W/O Frederick Ernest Bowen - observer

POW

912378 W/O Alexander Albert John Goss - w.op./air gunner

POW

1113036 W/O Jack Overson - air gunner

POW

REMARKS:

32 Whitleys to attack the docks but most crews bombed the general town area. 1 Whitley lost.

The aircraft was hit by flak and ditched in Grønsund on shallow water. The crew went into the dinghy and put fire on the wreck. The fire was observed from the shore, and the Danish policeboat "K12" went out. At 0340 hours they returned to Stubbekøbing harbour with the five airmon and they were taken prisoner of war by the Germans.

Z6867 (10 BS) ran out of fuel and ditched 50 m off Durham coast returning from Warnemunde on the 12th September 1941.

Anders Bjørnvad, 1970: "De fandt en vej", page 71 (juli/august 1979).