

Date	26/27 August 1944	Service No.	Rank	Name	Duty
Type of Aircraft	Lancaster Mk. III		Flt. Lt.	Etchells, R.M.	Pilot
Serial No.	PB302	Can.	Flt. Lt.	Goldsmith, J.E.	Nav.
Squadron	No. 156	Aus. 471175	Flt. Lt.	Croome, A.J.C.	Air Bomber
Code Letters	GT : B		Wt. Off.	Hay, E.W.	WOp.
Base	Upwood		Flt. Sgt.	Stern, J.F.	MU/AG
Mission	Marking & bombing		Plt. Off.	Freedden, S.	R/AG
Target	Kiel		Flt. Sgt.	Gray, J.D.	F/Eng.
Special Remarks: Airborne at 2020 hrs. 26th					
		Combat with Ju 88 over target. Ditched at 0040 hrs. on 27th Aug. at 54°40'N/04°50'E. All crew unhurt entered dinghy. On 28th Aug.			
		picked up by Danish fishing boat, S 304 "Ove" from Skagen. Hudson aircraft dropped message "steer 2509 for England."			
		At 1700 hrs. on 29th Aug. taken on board an R.A.F. Air/Sea Rescue launch and arrived next morning back in England landing at Grimsby. Crew of fishing boat taken into custody by a Royal Navy launch. Flt. Lt. Etchells and his crew returned to Upwood on Aug. 30th.			
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