

Date	4/5 March 1945	Service No.	Rank	Name	Duty	
Type of Aircraft	Stirling Mk. IV	178800	Flg. Off.	Sleven, L.G.	Pilot	POW
Serial No.	LJ999		Flg. Off.	Tilly, J.	Nav.	POW
Squadron	No. 138	2210139	Sgt.	Breeze, J.	F/Eng.	POW
Code Letters	NF : Q		Flt. Sgt.	Maude, G.M.	WOp.	POW
Base	Tempsford		Flt. Sgt.	Kyle, T.F.	Obs.	POW
Mission	Special Duty		Sgt.	Clark, W.L.	Dispatcher AG	POW
Target	DZ near Copenhagen		Sgt.	Bloomer, J.H.	R/AG	POW
Special Remarks:						
Letter from Mr. L.G. Sleven, Rook End Cottage, Debden, Saffron Walden, Essex dated 5th June 1976:						
At about 4,30 a.m. on 5th March 1945 we had successfully dropped by parachute, supplies required by the Danish Resistance on a DZ near Copenhagen and were crossing the coast at Ringkøbing Fjord on our way home.				Report of Mr. L.G. Sleven: We crashed in about four feet of water at somewhere between low and high tide with the tide coming in, so it seemed likely that at high tide the wreck would have been covered and has therefore probably broken up.		
At about 150 feet above the sea an explosion occurred underneath the aircraft we hit the sea - no tracer was seen. All the crew escaped from the aircraft which was on fire, but were captured at 10.30 a.m. We all survived and were liberated in Bavaria in May 1945.				Stirling LJ999 crashed in Ringkøbing Fjord at Tippepold, some 10 miles SW of Skjern.		
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