

Date	12/13 March 1945	Service No.	Rank	Name	Duty	
Type of Aircraft	Lancaster Mk. III	145503	Sqn. Ldr.	Slater, A.	Pilot	ESC
Serial No.	ME449	Aus. 433499	Plt. Off.	Bertie, M.H.	Air Bomber	ESC
Squadron	No. 103	Aus. 433608	Flg. Off.	Mitchell, H.A.S.	Nav.	ESC
Code Letters	PM :	1077120	Wt. Off.	Fairclough, T.	WOp.	ESC
Base	Elsham Wolds	1827859	Sgt.	Foster, K.	F/Eng.	ESC
Mission	Mining	Aus. 433742	Flt. Sgt.	Porter, H.J.	AG	Tarm
Target	Kullen Sound	3040748	Sgt.	Morris, D.	AG	Tarm
Special Remarks: Left 1743 hrs. 12th March						
Report of Bomber Command for 12/13th March gave "heavies" laid 79 mines in the Kattegat and the force was opposed on crossing of North Jutland by fighters from Grove. Light flak was also experienced. 3 Lancasters were lost, 2 shot down in the Aarhus region and one in Ringkøbing Fjord.						
Pilot of Ju 88 G-1, D5 + AL of I./NJG 3 claimed Lancaster aircraft shot down at 2145 hrs. 12th March 1945 in Kattegat/Jutland area. 2 Ju 88 night fighters operating from Grove that night.						
Lancaster ME449 crashed at Østergaard about 2 miles NNE of Lyne. Two of crew killed, 5 baled out and landed safely. Survivors evaded capture and managed to reach neutral Sweden.						
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