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of (Unit or Formation): No. 95 Squadron.

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Place	Date	Time	Summary of Events	References to Appendices
JUL.	16.11.42		Four Sunderlands (DV.973, DV.975, T.9078, DV.964) returned from Bathurst two doing Alp North and two coastal reccs. A small convoy was sighted.	01, 02, 03, 04
		UP 0656		
	17.11.42	DOWN 1755	Sunderland DV.964 C/95. A/S Patrol. Located and escorted U.S. Tanker "American Sun".	06
		UP 0625		
	17.11.42	DOWN 1630	Sunderland T.9078 A/95. Search for lifeboats, nothing sighted.	05
		UP 0655		
	20.11.42	DOWN 2120	Sunderland T.9078 A/95. Search for Blockade Runners, "Agnes Esberg" and "Kota Napan". Nothing sighted.	08
		UP 0655		
	20.11.42	DOWN 2050	Sunderland, DV.973 J/95. Search for Blockade Runners. Sighted 2 M.V.s, "Manchester Division" and "Atlantic City".	07
		UP 0700		
	24.11.42	DOWN 1730	Sunderland DV.964 C/95. Locate and escort "Bridgewater" and tug towing A.S.T. "Northern Isles". "Bridgewater" not located. Small convoy sighted.	02
		UP 0750		
	26.11.42	DOWN 2135	Sunderland DV.975 H/95. Search for suspicious vessel, which was located and identified as U.S. M/V. "Nerbo".	03
		UP 0645		
	27.11.42	DOWN 1705	Sunderland DV.964 C/95. Escort convoy FFT.3.	04
		UP 0750		
	28.11.42	DOWN 1830	Sunderland DV.964 C/95. Escort convoy FFT.3.	05
		UP 1843		
	22.11.42	DOWN 2205	Sunderland DV.975 H/95. Flare dropping exercise with submarine and A/S Patrol.	01
		UP 1535		
	28.11.42	DOWN 1805	Sunderland DV.975 H/95. Crashed in the river BUNCE off JUL after a D/F exercise with a H.S.L. F/Lt. Boccock, de K. F.H., F/Lt. Steer, J.R., F/O. Leech, R.L., and F/Lt. Webb-Jones, A. (M.O.), were injured and F/Sgt. Taylor, M.E., Sgt. Crosbie, J. J., Sgt. Irvine, R., Sgt. Hogg, W.A., Sgt. Hadwell, C.W., Sgt. Searl, W.F., and F/Sgt. Robinson, R.W., were killed. The aircraft caught on fire. What remained of the aircraft after the fire, was later blown up since it was a danger to navigation.	

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