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	<u>FEB. 1945.</u>				
BATHURST.	1st.	18.47.	<u>CALIBRATION AND A.S. PATROL NO. 4.</u> Sunderland B/95 carried out the calibration of XUNDUM H/F.D/F and A.S. Patrol and was waterborne at 04.37/2nd.		
	2nd.	07.42.	<u>U-BOAT PATROL.</u> Sunderland G/95 was on patrol from 09.15 to 17.47 with nil result and was waterborne at 19.10.		
		07.48.	<u>U-BOAT PATROL.</u> Sunderland Z/95 was on patrol from 07.48 to 17.49 with nil result and was waterborne at 19.18.		
	4th.	07.00.	<u>U-BOAT PATROL.</u> Sunderland Z/95 was on patrol from 09.34 to 16.18 with nil result and was waterborne at 18.50.		
		07.04.	<u>U-BOAT PATROL.</u> Sunderland B/95 was on patrol from 09.39 to 16.14 with nil result and was waterborne at 19.00.		
JUI.	14th.	13.55.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO BATHURST.</u> Sunderland J/95 completed the patrol and was waterborne at BATHURST at 22.05.		
"	"	13.49.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO BATHURST.</u> Sunderland Z/95 completed the patrol and was waterborne at BATHURST at 00.05/15th.		
BATHURST.	15th.	13.56.	<u>A.S. PATROL.</u> Sunderland D/95 was on patrol from 15.52 to 20.06 with nil result and was waterborne at PORT ETIENNE at 21.55.		
"		13.39.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO PORT ETIENNE.</u> Sunderland G/95 was on patrol from 15.55 to 19.36 with nil result and was waterborne at PORT ETIENNE at 21.35.		
PORT ETIENNE.	17th.	09.53.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO BATHURST.</u> Sunderland D/95 completed the patrol with nil result and was waterborne at BATHURST at 18.15.		
"	"	09.58.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO BATHURST.</u> Sunderland G/95 completed the patrol with nil result and was waterborne at BATHURST at 18.16.		
BATHURST.	"	13.20.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO PORT ETIENNE.</u> Sunderland J/95 completed the patrol with nil result and was waterborne at PORT ETIENNE at 21.36.		
"	"	13.35.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO PORT ETIENNE.</u> Sunderland B/95 was on patrol at 15.37. The patrol was completed and the aircraft was waterborne at PORT ETIENNE at 21.52.		
PORT ETIENNE.	18th.	12.13.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO BATHURST.</u> Sunderland B/95 was on patrol from 12.16 to 20.25 with nil result and was waterborne at BATHURST at 20.38.		

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PORT ETIENNE.	18th.	13.15.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO BATHURST.</u> Sunderland J/95 was on patrol from 12.20 to 19.42 with nil result and was waterborne at BATHURST at 19.47.	SECRET.
BATHURST.	19th.	13.29.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO PORT ETIENNE.</u> Sunderland D/95 completed the patrol with nil result and was waterborne at PORT ETIENNE at 21.25.	
		13.25.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO PORT ETIENNE.</u> Sunderland F/95 was on patrol from 13.35 to 17.39 with nil result and was waterborne at PORT ETIENNE at 21.55.	
PORT ETIENNE.	20th.	12.07.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO BATHURST.</u> Sunderland F/95 completed the patrol with nil result and was waterborne at BATHURST at 20.21.	
BATHURST.	21st.	13.38.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO PORT ETIENNE.</u> Sunderland J/95 was on patrol from 13.45 to 22.12 with nil result and was waterborne at PORT ETIENNE at 22.50.	
PORT ETIENNE.	22nd.	12.23.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO BATHURST.</u> Sunderland J/95 completed the patrol with nil result and was waterborne at BATHURST at 19.30.	
" "	22nd.	12.46.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO BATHURST.</u> Sunderland D/95 completed the patrol with nil result and was waterborne at BATHURST at 20.23.	
JUL.	22nd.	12.50.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO BATHURST.</u> Sunderland B/95 completed the patrol with nil result and was waterborne at BATHURST at 21.18.	
"	22nd.	12.57.	<u>A.S. PATROL AND MOVE TO BATHURST.</u> Sunderland G/95 completed the patrol with nil result and was waterborne at BATHURST at 21.25.	
			<u>DELIVERY OF VACCINE TO CAPE VERDE ISLANDS.</u> In accordance with instructions from Air Headquarters, West Africa, Sunderland G/95 flew to Cape Verde Islands on the 12th February, 1945, for the purpose of delivering Yellow Fever Vaccine. The weather forecast was not very favourable and flare parachutes were taken for dropping of vaccine in case it was found to be impossible to land. On arrival, visibility was found to be much better than was expected but a heavy swell was running and a number of small boats were also causing obstructions. After making two approaches, it was considered safe to land and a satisfactory touch down was made close inshore where there was more shelter. The Captain, W/Cdr. S. G. Baggott, DFC., and all the crew were invited ashore	

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			<p><u>DELIVERY OF VACCINE TO CAPE VERDE ISLANDS. (continued).</u> and treated very hospitably by the Portuguese Authorities. The aircraft was airborne on return at 16.40 hours and completed the return journey to BATHURST without incident.</p> <p><u>FLYING POLICY.</u> This month has been the first over which the recent squadron task reduction has been effective and an effort has been made to keep flying at its absolutely correct level. This has only been successful on the training programme which is almost at the target level and would have been, but for the bad Harmattan haze in the last five days of the month restricting training flights. Other factors affecting all flying during the month were (a) the "resting" of the Squadron prior to maximum A/S effort which was eventually not required, this period of restricted flying lasting for 10 days; (b) the commitments for combined Air and Naval exercises at Prestown, one of which was cancelled due to the poor weather and both of which had their effect on patrols and operational totals.</p> <p><u>BATHURST WEATHER SUMMARY. - FEBRUARY 1945.</u> Weather during the month was mainly fair, with slight haze, but during the last week of the month, thick haze (which reduced the visibility to fog levels at times) prevailed. A slight high level thunderstorm occurred in the early morning, slight rain in the evening, of the 1st February. Slight rain also occurred again in the early morning of the 22nd. Surface wind during the month was mainly N'y moderate or fresh at night, becoming N.W'y during the afternoon.</p> <p><u>MEDICAL REPORT. - FEBRUARY 1945.</u> Squadron Health remained satisfactory during the month. There were no events of special medical interest.</p> <p><u>APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS.</u> F/O. L.M. FOLEY. (A.423696). G.D.(S). Promoted to F/O.(WS) w.e.f.27.12.44. F/O. S.K. HIBBSLEY. (A.423687). G.D.(S). Promoted to F/O.(WS) w.e.f.27.12.44. F/L. J. MUSGRAVE. DFC. (80095) CD. Appointed Acting-Squadron Leader and re-posted to S/Ldr. (Training) Post w.e.f.8.1.45.</p>	SECRET.	

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<u>APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS (Continued).</u>				
			P/O. A.D.E. BEVERIDGE. (56500). G.D.(S). Granted a commission in the RAF w.e.f. 16.11.44. Joined for duty w.e.f. 5.2.45.	
			P/O. D.W. HELM. (56537). G.D.(S). Granted a commission in the RAF w.e.f. 11.12.44. Joined for duty w.e.f. 13.2.45.	
			P/O. H. THORNTON. (190591). G.D.(E). Granted a commission in the RAF w.e.f. 11.12.45. Joined for duty w.e.f. 13.2.45.	
			P/O.D.E.S. CRIPPS. (190771). G.D.(E). Granted a commission in the RAF w.e.f. 11.12.45. Joined for duty w.e.f. 16.2.45.	
<u>POSTINGS.</u>				
			F/L. W. SPOTT. (A.402887). G.D. RAAP. Posted to No. 204 Squadron w.e.f. 8.2.45.	
			P/O. D.P. LYNKEY. (NZ.415769). G.D. RIZAP. Posted to this Unit from Home Establishment w.e.f. 22.1.45. Arrived this unit w.e.f. 15.2.45.	
<u>ADMITTANCES AND DISCHARGES FROM HOSPITAL.</u>				
			F/L. H.B. UNDERHILL. (J.5127). G.D. RCAF. Admitted to 55th General Hospital. w.e.f. 6.2.45. Discharged from " " " w.e.f. 13.2.45.	
			F/O. A/P/L. D.A.M. COLLIER. (110407). AD. Discharged from 55th General Hospital w.e.f. 3.2.45.	
			F/O. A/P/L. G.C.E. COOPER. (148735). GD.(S). Admitted to 55th General Hospital w.e.f. 9.2.45. Discharged from " " " w.e.f. 14.2.45.	
<u>SQUADRON PERSONNEL AS AT 28th FEBRUARY 1945.</u>				
			Establishment.	Total Posted Strength.
			Officers.	Aircraft Strength.
			Warrant Officers.	31.
			S.N.C.O.'s Aircrew.	52.
			S.N.C.O.'s Ground Staff.	11.
			Other Ranks.	10.
			11.	15.
			69.	62.
			2.	2.
			10.	11.
<u>ANALYSIS OF OPERATIONS.</u>				
			Escort.	A.S.E.
			A/S. Patrol.	Total.
			Half Die, Gambia.	--
			Sorties.	--
			Flying Hours.	12.
			Port Etienne, French West Africa.	115.01.
			Sorties.	7.
			Flying Hours.	55.32.

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Port Etienne, French West Africa.
Sorties. -- -- 7.
Flying Hours. 55.32. 55.32.

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			<u>ANALYSIS OF OPERATIONS. (Continued).</u>				
			<u>R.A.F. Jui. Sierra Leone.</u>				
			<u>Sorties.</u>	<u>Escort.</u> --	<u>A.S.B.</u> --	<u>A/S. PATROL.</u> 4	<u>TOTAL.</u> 4
			<u>Flying Hours.</u>	--	--	33.53.	33.53.
			<u>GRAND TOTAL OF FLYING HOURS.</u>	<u>Operations.</u> 204.26.			
				<u>Training.</u> 112.10. (Including Transit & Test).			
					<u>316.36.</u>		
			<u>AIRCRAFT SERVICEABILITY.</u>				
				<u>Operations.</u> 4.9.			
				<u>Training.</u> 1.5.			

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Wing Commander, Commanding,
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