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No 6 Elementary Flying Training School, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

IMAGE 1715

3/7/40 1700 hours Buildings and Aerodrome under construction; Equipment arriving; F/O Ledoux reported for for Duty from Camp Borden, Ont.

4/7/40 1700 hrs. NIL

5/7/40 1700 hrs. NIL

6/7/40 1700 hrs. NIL

7/7/40 1700 hrs. NIL

8/7/40 1700 hrs. NIL

9/7/40 1700 hrs. Cpls. Allan, E.W., Ryaard, J.W.B., And Hodgkinson, G.J. reported for duty.

IMAGE 1716

10/7/40 1700 hrs. Four Aircraft delivered.

11/7/40 1700 hrs. NIL

12/7/40 1700 hrs. Five more Tiger Moth Aircraft delivered.

13/7/40 1700 hrs. | NIL

14/7/40 1700 hrs. NIL

15/7/40 1700 hrs. Flight Lieutenant B.J. Bouchier reported for duty and assumed command of RCAF Personnel

16/7/40 1700 hrs. Three more Tiger Moth Aircraft delivered.

17/7/40 1700 hrs. NIL

18/7/40 1700 hrs. Two Tiger Moth Aircraft delivered.

19/7/40 1700 hrs. Unit inspected by Air Vice Marshal Croil, A.F.C., Inspector General and Air Commodore.

IMAGE 1717 duplicate of IMAGE 1716

IMAGE 1718

19/7/40 1700 hrs. (cont'd) Shearer, A.D.C., No. 2 Training Command, accompanied by staff; Inspector General and Aide departed by air at 1820 hours.

20/7/40 1700 hrs Air Officer Commanding departed by air for Nipawin, Sask. at 0900 hours.

21/7/40 1700 hrs NIL

22/7/40 1700 hrs Twenty-four pupils reported for Elementary Flying Training today at 0905 hours; draw Barrack Room bedding and publications; received wire as follows:- "F/Lt, Bouchier, RCAF No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask; "May I extend to you, your Staff and all Students, my very best wishes for success at your School right from the first flight. Go to it. – Charles G. Power, Minister of National Defence for Air". Sqd. Ld Vallance, Senior Equipment Officer, No. 2 Training Command, visited School; Air Officer Commanding, Staff, and Sqd. Ld. Vallance departed by air at 1330 hours; Flying instruction started today, also Ground Lectures; Pte. Cochrane (RCAMC) reported for duty; 2 more aircraft arrived from Brandon.

IMAGE 1719 duplicate of IMAGE 1718

IMAGE 1720

23/7/40 1700 hrs NIL

24/7/40 1700 hrs Medical Officer, Capt. J.H, Monteith, (RCAMC) reported for duty.

25/7/40 1700 hrs NIL

26/7/40 1700 hrs NIL

27/7/40 1700 hrs Moth 4034, Pilot Bowman in crash north of Penitentiary; Damage to propeller, mainplane, and tail unit; Occupants uninjured.

28/740 1700 hrs Unit participated in parade in afternoon in Prince Albert, Sask. under F/O Ledoux, then came out to Aerodrome where ceremony welcoming RCAF took place; amongst those attending were: Premier Patterson of Saskatchewan, Mayors of Prince Albert, and Saskatoon; Mr. A. Fraser, M.L.A., for Prince Albert, Sask.; Honourary Capt. Chaplain H.D. Martin, Prince Albert, Sask; The Premier, inspected the parade after which there was a march-past, Major De Satze, M.C., taking the salute; speeches then followed; a formation flying display and a Parachute drop test, each a dummy, took place; Units in parade were:- RCNVR (Saskatoon): 44th Battery, RCAF; Veterans; Parade was under command of Major De Satze, M.C.

IMAGE 1721

29/740 1700 hrs NIL

30/7/40 1700 hrs NIL

31/7/40 1700 hrs NIL

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IMAGE 1722

1/8/40 1700 hrs NIL

2/8/40 1700 hrs NIL

3/8/40 1700 hrs NIL

4/8/40 1700 hrs No flying; Visit by F/O Ritchie, No. 2 Training Command, Works and Building.

5/8/40 1700 hrs Moth 4046, Pilot LAC Thompson, made heavy landing and ground-looped, causing damage to airframe (1st solo). Pilot uninjured.

6/8/40 1700 hrs Sqd. Ld. Vallance and F/O Osler here on inspection visit.

7/8/40 1700 hrs Sqd. Ld. Vallance and F/O Osler departed.

IMAGE 1723

8/8/40 1700 hrs NIL

9/8/40 1700 hrs NIL.

10/8/40 1700 hrs Visit by Wing Commander Bonham-Carter and Flying Officer England departing for Regina in the Afternoon.

11/8/40 1700 hrs NIL

12/8/40 1700 hrs No Flying in A.M. due to weather.

13/8/40 1700 hrs NIL

14/8/40 1700 hrs NIL

15/8/40 1700 hrs NIL

16/8/40 1700 hrs NIL

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27/8/40 1700 hrs NIL

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31/8/40 1700 hrs NIL

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IMAGE 1726

1/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

2/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

3/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

4/9/40 1700 hrs Visited by Flying Officer Hanson, No. 2 Training Command, Equipment Depot, departed by air in Afternoon,

5/9/40 1700 hrs No flying in A.M. due to weather.

6/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

7/9/40 1700 hrs No flying in P.M. due to weather.

IMAGE 1727

8/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

9/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

10/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

11/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

12/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

13/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

14/9/40 1700 hrs NIL Visited by Mr. Armour, Department of National Defence for Air,

departed in P.M.

15/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

16/9/40 1700 hrs Medical Officer, Lieutenant M.D. Williams, (RCAMC) arrived.

17/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

IMAGE 1728

18/9/40 1700 hrs Lieut. M.D. Williams assumed position of Medical Officer in charge; Capt. J.R. Monteith posted to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask. departing in P.M.

19/9/40 1700 hrs Fleet 220 transferred to Toronto, Ontario.

20/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

21/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

22/9/40 1700 hrs Visit by Mr, Apedaile of the Department of Finance, departing in P.M.

23/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

24/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

IMAGE 1729

25/9/40 1700 hrs Visit of inspection by Air Vice Marshal McKean, departing in P.M.

26/9/40 1700 hrs Flying Officer Ledoux departed on posting to No. 2 Initial Training School, Toronto.

27/9/40 1700 hrs Flying Officer Ledoux's posting changed to No. 7 E.F.T.S., Windsor, Ontario.

28/9/40 1700 hrs No flying due to weather.

29/9/40 1700 hrs NIL

30/9/40 1700 hrs Beechcraft CF-BMU — Wing Commander Bonham-Carter, S/L Hendrick, F/O Smith-Priestly, and F/O Leech arrived 1030 hours from Winnipeg: Pilot Officer Gardiner arrived.

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IMAGE 1730

1/10/40 1700 hrs Flying in morning by Instructors only.

2/10/40 1700 hrs No flying carried out due to weather.

3/10/40 1700 hrs No flying carried out due to weather.

4/10/40 1700 hrs Fifty-hour checks carried out

5/10/40 1700 hrs Flying carried out in the morning only.

6/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

7/10/40 1700 hrs New Class, No. 7, arrived at noon.

8/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

IMAGE 1731

9/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

10/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

11/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

12/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

13/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

14/10/40 1700 hrs No flying.

15/10/40 1700 hrs LAC Fogarty, in Tiger Moth, nosed over breaking propellor.

16/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

17/10/40 1700 hrs Flying carried out after 1000 hours.

18/10/40 700 hrs NIL

IMAGE 1732 Duplicate of IMAGE 1731

IMAGE 1733

19/10/40 1700 hrs Flying carried out in the morning only.

20/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

21/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

22/10/40 1700 hrs. Flying carried out in the morning only.

23/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

24/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

25/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

26/10/40 1700 hrs No flying before 1400 hours due to wind.

IMAGE 1734 Duplicate of IMAGE 1733

IMAGE 1735

27/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

28/10/40 1700 hrs No flying carried out due to bad weather.

29/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

30/10/40 1700 hrs NIL

31/10/40 1700 hrs Four planes forced to land; two about ten miles south and two at Birch Hills.  
No damage.

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IMAGE 1736

1/11/40 ----

4/11/40 1700 hrs. NIL



5/11/40 1700 hrs. Lockheed 12 with Sqd. Ldr. Mitchel; F/Lt. Stephenson; F/O Miliski; F/O Casey of visiting flight arrived from Saskatoon; Beechcraft with Wing Commander Bonham Carter; Wing Commander Luke; Squadron Leader Humphreys; Mr. Turner arrived from Winnipeg; Wg/Cdr. Luke; Sqd.Ldr. Humphreys, Mr. Turner departed for Saskatoon via Prairie Airways.

6/11/40 1700 hrs. Wing Commander Bonham Carter departed for Winnipeg via C.N.R.

7/11/40 ---

9/11/40 1700 hrs NIL

10/11/40 1700 hrs Visiting flight left for Saskatoon.

11/11/40 ---

13/11/40 1700 hrs NIL

IMAGE 1737

14/11/40 1700 hrs LAC ALCAZAR in Moth 4098 taxied into another aircraft causing considerable damage to the tail plane and fuselage.

15/11/40 1700 hrs NIL

16/11/40 1700 hrs Inspector-General Air Vice Marshal Croil, with Grp.Capt. Grant and officers arrived at 1300 hrs in Lockheed 10 C.F. - B.S.F. flown by Sqd. Ldr. Hendrick, departed at 1540 hrs.

17/11/40 -

24/11/40 1700 hrs Nil

25/11/40 1700 hrs LAC MALKEMUS in Moth 4046 and LAC GAGNON in Moth 4033 touched in mid-air, both machines being slightly damaged but pilots landed safely on aerodrome.

26/11/40 -

30/11/40 1700 hrs NIL

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IMAGE 1738

1/12/40 -

4/12/40 1700 hrs NIL

5/12/40 1700 hrs LAC Biden in Moth, turned over on the Airport after striking loose snow outside the boundary markers. Biden was not injured and the aircraft was only slightly damaged.

6/12/40 --- 1700 hrs LAC Carter, in Tiger Moth, 4044, turned over three miles east of the Airport, when the wheels of the aircraft struck the deep snow during forced landing practice. Carter was not hurt, and the ship was not badly damaged.

15/12/40 1700 hrs NIL

16/12/40 1700 hrs Course Number 11 started Ground School Examinations.

17/12/40 -

19/12/40 1700 hrs NIL

20/12/40 1700 hrs Sgt. Hall, with pupil, LAC Frizzle, in Moth, (4166), turned over in the deep snow when engine failed to catch in forced landing practice. Neither instructor or pupil was injured and the aircraft was flown back.

21/12/40 1700 hrs LAC Cybulski made a successful forced landing when a rocker arm broke. The aircraft was repaired in the field and flown back.

IMAGE 1739

22/12/40 1700 hrs LAC Gourdeau, J.E.H., made successful forced landing when he become lost. He was located after a two hour search and the aircraft flown back.

23/12/40 1700 hrs Class No. 11 completed course; reporting to Saskatoon 4/1/41.

24/12/40 -

25/12/40 1700 hrs NIL

26/12/40 1700 hrs Class No. 16 arrived from No. 2 I.T.S., R.C.A.F., Regina, Sask.

27/12/40 - 1700 hrs NIL

31/12/40

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IMAGE 1740

- 1/1/41 1700 hrs No flying - Holiday.
- 2/1/41 1700 hrs Flight Lieutenant F.G. Pafford arrived from No. 2 Training Command, on temporary duty.
- 3/1/41 1700 hrs LAC Crot became lost and had forced landing in Aircraft No.4014. Damage slight.
- 4/1/41 1700 hrs Sgt. Halls, Pilot Instructor, and LAC Orpen, student, in Aircraft No.4139 had forced landing three miles east of the aerodrome at 1600 hours, Sgt. Halls was seriously injured, LAC Orpen Buffered minor cuts and bruises. The machine was almost a total washout.
- 5/1/41-6/1/41 1700 hrs Flying and Ground School Lectures each day.  
7/1/41.
- 8/1/41 1700 hrs R79831 A.C.2 Hamilton, M.W. posted here as an additional clerk.
- 9/1/41 1700 hrs LAC Simpson, in Moth 4044 had forced landing due to failure to warm engine in forced landing practice. No damage to aircraft.
- 10/1/41 1700 hrs Flying and Ground School Lectures all day.
- 11/1/41 1700 hrs LAC Beaton in Moth 4142 had a forced landing after becoming lost. No damage.
- 12/1/41 1700 hrs Only Instructors flying - test flights - ceiling 500 ft.
- 13/1/41 1700 hrs Flying and Ground School Lectures all day.

IMAGE 1741

- 14/1/41 1700 hrs Group Captain Bonham-Carter arrived by train from Winnipeg, Man.
- 15/1/41 1700 hrs Group Captain Bonham-Carter departed by air for Saskatoon, Sask.
- 16,17,18,19, 1700 hrs Flying and Ground School Lectures each day.  
20,21/1/41.
- 22/1/41 1700 hrs Flying Officer G.M. Campbell arrived to take over the Administrative duties.
- 23/1/41 1700 hrs Flying and Ground School Instruction all day.

24/1/41 1700 hrs Flight Lieutenant F.G. Pafford, here on temporary duty, departed for No. 2 Training Command.

25/1/41 1700 hrs Flying 0800 to 0900 hours - bad weather - Ground Instruction all day.

26/1/41 1700 hrs No flying - inclement weather.

27/1/41 1700 hrs LAC McMills, in Moth 4036, hit fence during forced landing practice and the aircraft was totally damaged. Pilot was slightly hurt.  
Flt.Lt. Mcurtrie, Flying Officer, Rae, and Flying Officer Sharpe arrived by air from Saskatoon, members of a Court of Inquiry to enquire into accident on January 4, 1941, to Tiger Moth 4139. Flt.Lt. Chesson arrived from Fort William to take command of the Station.

28/1/41 1700 hrs LAC Colletti and LAC Irlam "washed-out" and cease to draw flying pay - posted to No.2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Manitoba.

29/1/41 Signals Officer Leach arrived on a visit.

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IMAGE 1742

30/1/41 1700 hrs Members of the Court of Inquiry left by air for Saskatoon.  
Pilot Instructor Callahan with Student LAC Taylor, in aircraft No.4047, met with an accident while practicing low flying on the South Saskatchewan River, south of Red Deer Hill. Machine was a "B" Category wreck. Neither men injured.  
Signals Officer Leach left by air for Saskatoon.

31/1/41 1700 hrs Flying 0800 to 1100 hours only. Weather very bad.

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IMAGE 1743

1/2/41 1700 hrs. Strength: OFFICERS: 51 AIRMEN: 75: TOTAL: 80;

2/2/41 1700 hrs. Sqn. Ldr., B.J. Bouchier left this Station on being posted to No. 2 Training Command, (RCAF) Winnipeg, Manitoba.

3/2/41 1700 hrs. A.C.1 Hudson, J.E., Orderly Room Clerk, appointed to rank of Acting Corporal (Unpaid).

4/2/41 1700 hrs. Flying and Ground School Training as usual.

5/2/41 1700 hrs. R71120 LAC Irlam, K.V., reposted from No. 2 Manning Depot, RCAF., Brandon, Man., to continue flying training.

6/2/41 1700 hrs. A Board of Officers arrived to take over the buildings of the No. 6 Air Observers School from the Contractor. The Board was composed: of President - Wing Commander M.C. Dubuc, Members: Flight Lieut. A.T. Chesson, Capt. M. D. Williams, Flying Officer Doolittle, Flying Officer Thompson.

7/2/41 1700 hrs. Members of the above-mentioned Board of Officers, with the exception of Flight Lieut. A.T. Chesson and Captain M.D. Williams, departed by air for Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

8/2/41 1700 hrs. Twenty-six trainees (Course 18) left for No. 2 S.F.T.S., Uplands, Ont., Three members

IMAGE 1744

8/2/41 1700 hrs. (cont'd) of Course 18 "washed-out" and four held over for further training. Trainees accompanied by Sergeant J.W.B. Rynard (2358): Flying Training of R70976 LAC Adair, A.D., R69148 LAC Thornton, E.J., discontinued, Posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Man.

9/2/41 1700 hrs. Thirty-five Trainees (Course No.20) arrived from No. 2 Initial Training School, Regina, and commenced flying training in the afternoon.

10/2/41 1700 hrs. Flying and Ground School Training as usual.

11/2/41 1700 hrs. Flying Training of R80104 LAC Arklie, A.M., discontinued and posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, (RCAF) Brandon, Manitoba. No flying on account of fog.

12/2/41 1700 hrs. Flying Training of R72656 LAC Riley, C.G., discontinued and posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, (RCAF) Brandon, Manitoba.

13/2/41 1700 hrs. J.W. Clemens, Foreman, Aerodrome Electrician from No. 2 Training Command, RCAF., Winnipeg, reported from Saskatoon, Sask., installed automatic starter for fire

pump; departed for Saskatoon, Sask.

A/Corporal Abbott, H., arrived from Trenton, Ont., to take up duties as Armament Instructor. Very little flying afternoon; heavy snow fall and visibility nil at 1550 hours.

14/2/41 1700 hrs. Flight Lieut. J.C, Johnston, RCAMC, reported on temporary duty by air from Saskatoon.

15/2/41 1700 hrs. Flying Training of R61005, LAC Bloomfield, M., discontinued; posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, (RCAF) Brandon, Manitoba.

IMAGE 1745

16/2/41 1700 hrs. Flying Accident - LAC Walsh, P.C., R75183, on solo flight in Moth 4033 crashed, Admitted to Victoria Hospital, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

17/2/41 1700 hrs. Flight Lieut. J.C. Johnston, RCAMC., departed for Saskatoon, Sask. Ceased to be on Temporary Duty. Flying and Ground School Training as usual.

18/2/41 1700 hrs. No.2358 Sergeant J.W.B. Rynard, (S.A.T.) departed for No. 3 Bombing and Gunnery School, MacDonald, Manitoba, as Armament Instructor.

19/2/41 1700 hrs. Flight Lieut. R.D. Christie, Flying Officer R.M. Mace, Members of Court of Inquiry into flying accident involving Tiger Moth Aircraft #4033, arrived.

20/2/41 1700 hrs. Flying Training of R78447 LAC Maynard, S.K., discontinued; posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon.  
Flight Lieut. W.G. Welstead, President of Court of Inquiry, arrived.

21/2/41 1700 hrs. Court of Inquiry President and Members departed.

22/2/41 1700 hrs. No flying - snow storm all day.

23/2/41 1700 hrs. No flying - snow storm all day.

24/2/41 1700 hrs. Flying and Ground School Training as usual.

25/2/41 1700 hrs. Flying Training of R75536, LAC Hedley, W.J., R73257 LAC Ingersoll, K.W., discontinued; Posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, RCAF., Brandon, Man.,

IMAGE 1746

26/2/41 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School Training as usual.

27/2/41 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School Training as usual.

28/2/41 1700 hrs. Squadron Leader B.J. Bouchier reported on temporary duty from No. 2 Training Command, RCAF., Winnipeg. Man.

Strength - OFFICERS: 4; AIRMEN: 89: TOTAL: 93.

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IMAGE 1747

Note: Addendum to Daily Dairy for the period ending February 28<sup>th</sup>, 1941.

1/2/41 1700 hrs. The R.C.A.F. Strength of the Unit was: Staff: 13; Trainees: 67; Total: 80; in addition there were 18 trainees acting as Security Guards for No. 6 Air Observers School, which was under construction.

5/2/41 1700 hrs. Tiger Moth #4015 was damaged to the extent of One Hundred and Eighty-two Dollars, (\$182.00), by R78183 LAC Allen, D.C., who became lost and made a forced landing. The Aircraft overturned in the snow but no injury was sustained by personnel.

8/2/41 1700 hrs. The disposition of Course 16 was as follows: 26 left for No. 2 S.F.T.S. (RCAF) Uplands, Ontario; 1 remained to take an Instructor's Course; 3 discontinued flying training; 4 were held back for further training; 1 remained in hospital.

16/2/41 1700 hrs. R75183 LAC Walsh, P.C., in Tiger Moth #4033, while practising forced landings, spun into the ground, eight miles north-east of the Aerodrome. The aircraft was almost a total wreck but the Pupil Pilot was not very seriously injured. The engine was only slightly damaged.

IMAGE 1748

22/2/41 1700 hrs. Four Service Police reported for duty from No. 2 Manning Depot, RCAF., Brandon, Manitoba.

28/2/41 1700 hrs. R.C.A.F. Strength as at end of month was: Staff - 15; Trainees - 68; Total - 83; in addition, there were 18 Security Guards; the number of Tiger Moth Aircraft on charge was: Serviceable - 29; Unserviceable - 2; Total - 31.

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IMAGE 1749 Duplicate of IMAGE 1748

IMAGE 1750

1/3/41 1700 hrs. Strength as at first of Month: Staff - 15; Trainees - 68; Total; - 83. Also, 18 Security Guards for No.6 A.O.S. which was under construction, were attached. R72402 LAC Towse, J.F.W., posted from No.2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Man., and taken on Course No. 20.

2/3/41 1700 hrs. R79641 LAC Townsend. P.E.T. was severely injured when piloting Tiger Moth Aircraft #4043. He spun into the ground ten miles south-east of the Aerodrome while practising forced landings. Aircraft and engine were almost a total washout. 798578 LAC Young, L.J., reported from No.2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Man., and was placed on Course No. 20.

3/3/41 1700 hrs. R74330 LAC Raizenne, J.B.R. discontinued flying training on Course No. 20 and was posted to No.2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Manitoba.

4/3/41 1700 hrs. A Court of Inquiry - Squadron Leader J.E. Jellison, Flying Officer Sharpe, Flying Officer Berg - assembled to report on crash of Tiger Moth #4043. The disposition of Course No. 18 was as follows:- Thirty-one Graduates posted to No.2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Man., escorted by Sergeant E.W. Allan; one remained at this Unit to take an Instructor's Course; five discontinued flying training; one held back for more ground instruction; one remained in Hospital.

IMAGE 1751

5/3/41 1700 hrs. Thirty-five Trainees reported from No. 2 I.T.S. Regina, Sask., allotted to Course No. 22.

6/3/41 1700 hrs. Ceiling 500 feet; no flying after 0920 hours.

7/3/41 1700 hrs. Sergeant E.W, Allan. (171) ceased to be on temporary duty and granted leave.

8/3/41 1700 hrs. High wind; no flying after 1215 hours.

9/3/41 1700 hrs. No flying after 1500 hours.

10/3/41 1700 hrs. R65408 LAC Connolly, E.W., discontinued flying training and posted to No.2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Man.,

11/3/41 1700 hrs. R73099 LAC Murphy, P.S., reported from No.2 Manning Depot, RCAF., Brandon, Man., allotted to Course No. 22.



12/3/41 1700 hrs. Normal routine followed.

13/3/41 1700 hrs. Eighteen Security Guards posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, RCAF., Brandon, Manitoba.

14/3/41 1700 hrs. R76598 LAC Alexander, R.C., practising forced landings eight miles north-west of the Aerodrome, struck the snow and turned over in Tiger Moth Aircraft #4040. The airframe was damaged seriously and the engine slightly. The Pupil Pilot was not injured. One-half day flying only; snowing until 1200 hours.

15/3/41 1700 hrs. Snow and wind, no flying.

16/3/41 1700 hrs. Sergeant E.W. Allan (171) returned from leave; Sergeant E.N. Allan (171) appointed Flight Sergeant.

IMAGE 1752

17/3/41 1700 hrs. Group Captain Bonham-Carter arrived by air from Winnipeg at 1430 hours, for opening of No. 6 Air Observers School. R77319 LAC Mazur, D.S. discontinued flying training and was posted to No.2 Manning Depot, RCAF., Brandon. Manitoba.

18/3/41 1700 hrs. R60755 A/Corporal Abbott. H. returned from two days leave to Edmonton, Alta.

19/3/41 1700 hrs. Normal routine followed.

20/3/41 1700 hrs. Normal routine followed.

21/3/41 1700 hrs. Low ceiling, no flying until 1300 hours.

22/3/41 1700 hrs. R87238 A.C.2 Armstrong R. (Medical Orderly) appointed to the rank of Acting Corporal (Unpaid).

23/3/41 1700 hrs. Low ceiling in morning; one half day of flying only.

24/3/41 1700 hrs. R75183 LAC Walsh, P.C., who was in crash of Tiger Moth Aircraft #4033, 16/2/41 given one month's Sick Leave. R78492 LAC Denniston, J.E., R54290 LAC Webster, G.S., members of Course No. 20 and R80548 LAC Walewski-Laschinsky, G., member of Course No. 22, discontinued flying training and posted to No.2 Manning Depot, RCAF., Brandon, Manitoba.

25/3/41 1700 hrs. Foggy. No flying until 1400 hours.

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26/3/41 1700 hrs. Flight Lieutenant W.E. Blair (C4170) posted to this Unit as Medical Officer effective 18/3/41. R78408 LAC Worth, J.S. discontinued flying training and was posted to No.2 Manning Depot, RCAF., Brandon, Manitoba.

27/3/41 1700 hrs. Flight Lieutenant M.D. Williams (C4081) departed to take up duties as Medical Officer at No.2 Bombing and Gunnery School, Mossbank, Sask.; Flight Lieutenant J.C. Johnston, (C3974) reported on temporary duty from No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., as Medical Officer in place of Flight Lieutenant W.E. Blair (C4170) whose arrival was delayed due to illness.

28/3/41 1700 hrs. Flight Sergeant Allan E.W., (171) Clerk, Group "A", remustered to Clerk, Administrative, Group "A".

29/3/41 1700 hrs. Thirty-five Trainees (Course 24) arrived from No.2 Initial Training School, Regina, Sask., and, in afternoon, took part in a parade in Prince Albert, Sask., for the War Services Fund.

30/3/41 1700 hrs. The disposition of Course No. 20 was as follows: 28 Graduates posted to No.2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Man., escorted by Sergeant C.F. Cote; 9 discontinued flying training; 1 remained in Station Hospital (R79641 LAC Townsend, P.E.T.).

31/3/41 1700 hrs. Flying field becoming rough and wet; RCAF strength at end of month: Staff - 11; Trainees - 76; Total - 87;

(A.T. Chesson) Flt.Lt.,  
Chief Supervisory Officer, RCAF.,  
No. 6 Elementary Flying Training School,  
Prince Albert, - Saskatchewan.

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NOTE: Addendum to Daily Diary for the period ending March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1941.

1/3/41 1700 hrs. Personnel Strength:  
Staff:- Officers - 4;  
Airmen - 29, including 18 Security Guards attached to No. 6 A.O.S  
Trainees - 68:  
Total: 101:

31/3/41 1700 hrs, Personnel Strength:  
Staff:- Officers - 4;  
Airmen - 7;  
Trainees - 76;  
Total: 87:

Aircraft Strength:

Serviceable: Tiger Moths - 29;

Unserviceable: Tiger Moths - 2;

(A.T. Chesson) Flt.Lt.,  
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1/4/41 1700 hrs. Personnel Strength:

Staff:- Officers R.C.A.F. - 4;

Airmen R.C.A.F.- 7;

Trainees - Airmen R.C.A.F.- 72;

Total - 83;

2/4/41 1700 hrs. C3974 Flight Lieutenant Johnston, J.C., reported here for duties as Medical Officer while Flight Lieutenant Blair, W.E., C4170, was on sick leave.

3/4/41 1700 hrs. Normal Routine followed.

4/4/41 1700 hrs. R60755 Temporary Corporal Abbott (Armourer) Given rank of Acting Sergeant (Paid).

5/4/41 1700 hrs. Visiting Flight arrived from Trenton, Ontario. Today thirty-five students of course 22, with Instructional Staff, went to Emma Lake to fly from the ice there while this field is unserviceable due to spring break up.

6/4/41 1700 hrs. Flying Training For course 22 at Emma Lake. No flying here. Course 24 taking ground instruction only.

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7/4/41 1700 hrs. Visiting flight left for Saskatoon. L.A.C. Orpen, R.C., R56285, returned from sick leave.

8/4/41 1700 hrs. Courses 22 and 24 exchange places in the training Schedule, course 24 going up to the lake. L.A.C. Townsend, P.E.T., R79641, given one month sick leave following

recovery from injuries sustained in crash.

9/4/41 1700 hrs. All personnel returned from Emma Lake after having five days of flying there while our own aerodrome here was unserviceable.

10/4/41 1700 hrs. No. Flying Due to inclement weather. L.A.C. Henry, R.J., R70957, discontinued flying training and posted to Brandon, Manitoba.

11/4/41 1700 hrs. Good Friday, a holiday. No flying and no classes.

12/4/41 1700 hrs. Normal routine followed.

13/4/41 1700 hrs. Normal routine followed.

14/4/41 1700 hrs. L.A.C. Thatcher, F.C., R67921, crashed about ten miles east of the airport. He came down among trees and escaped with a few bumps and scratches but the plane was almost a total wreck.

15/4/41 1700 hrs. C3974 Flight Lieutenant Johnston, J.C., returned to Saskatoon when C4170 Flight Lieutenant Blair reported here for duty after his sick leave.

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16/4/4 1700 hrs. Normal routine followed.

17/4/41 1700 hrs. Normal routine followed.

18/4/41 1700 hrs. A/Cpl Armstrong, R., R87238, posted to No. 6 A.O.S., as Medical Orderly.

19/4/41 1700 hrs. Normal routine followed.

20/4/41 1700 hrs. Flight Sergeant Allan, E.W., 171, posted to Penhold Alberta on Temporary-duty.

21/4/41 1700 hrs. Twenty-nine graduates of course 22 left for Brandon, Manitoba., escorted by Sergeant Cote, G.F., L.A.C. Hancock, J.P. R76975, discontinued Flying Training and was posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Manitoba.

22/4/41 1700 hrs. Flying Officer Dawson and Flying Officer Hobson of No. 2 Training Command conducted a trade-test Board at this Unit. Thirty-five trainees - course 26, arrived here — nine from Victoriaville, P.Q., and twenty-five from No. 1 Initial Training School, Toronto, one from No. 1 manning Depot, Toronto Ontario.

23/4/41 1700 hrs. A/Sgt. Cote, C.F., R60660, appointed temporary Corporal (paid).

24/4/41 1700 hrs. L.A.C. Walsh, P.C., R75183, returned from one month sick leave, placed on Course 24.

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25/4/41 1700 hrs. Hon. F-Lt. Martin, taken on strength as part time chaplain. L.A.C. Watts, R.G., R75314 and L.A.C. Woolley, R.S., R77317, of course 24 discontinued flying training and posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, RCAF., Brandon, Manitoba.

26/4/41 1700 hrs. Today a new routine was inaugurated to take greater advantage of daylight and get the maximum aircraft hours for flying. One half our trainees took flying training from 0500 hours to 1000 hours, the other from 1300 hours to 2000 hours. This is expected to give a considerable increase in flying hours.

17/4/41 1700 hrs. Normal routine followed.

28/4/41 1700 hrs. Flight Sergeant Allan, E.W., 171, posted to No. 2A Manning Depot, Penhold, Alberta. L.A.C. Waterman, L.A., R58593 and A.C.1. Hamilton, M.W., R79831, appointed Acting Corporals.

29/4/41 1700 hrs. L.A.C. Travale, M., R75730, of course 24, discontinued flying training and was posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Manitoba. L.A.C. Thatcher, F.C, R67921, discharged from the Victoria Hospital Prince Albert, and admitted to Station Hospital.

30/4/41 1700 hrs. L.A.C. Kostyshyn, W.M., R75325, Discontinued flying training and was posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Manitoba.

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30/4/41 1700 hrs. Personnel Strength:

Staff:- Officers R.C.A.F., - 3;

Airmen R.C.A.F., - 5;

Trainees Airmen R.C.A.F., -73;

Total 81;

Aircraft Strength:

Serviceable: Tiger Moths - 26;

Unserviceable: Tiger Moths- 2;

*G.M. Campbell F/O*  
*for (A.T. Chesson) Flt.Lt.,*  
Chief Supervisory Officer, RCAF.,

No. 6 Elementary Flying Training School,  
Prince Albert, - Saskatchewan.

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1/5/41 1700 hrs. Personnel Strength:

Staff: - Officers R.C.A.F. - 3

Airmen R.C.A.F. - 5

Trainees - Airmen R.C.A.F.-73

Total - 81;

LAC Dawson, W.J., R74897, arrived from Brandon, Manitoba for a flight check.

2/5/41 1700 hrs. Flying and Ground School as usual.

3/5/41 1700 hrs. LAC Thatcher, F.C. R67921, discharged from hospital and granted one month sick leave.

4/5/41 1700 hrs. Flight Lieutenant Chesson, A.T. returned home from a conference of Chief Supervisory Officers and Commanding Officers at Winnipeg.

5/5/41 1700 hrs. No flying in the morning due to rain.

LAC Beal, E.T., R82176, Flying Training Discontinued, posted to Brandon, Manitoba.

6/5/41 1700 hrs. Raining today, no flying. Flying Officer Gardiner left for his home in Lyn Ontario on fourteen days leave.

7/5/41 1700 hrs. Raining and snowing all day. No flying.

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8/5/41 1700 hrs. Pilot Officer Garvie, K.C. RAF 17249, reported from No. 2 Training Command for duty taking place of Flying Officer Gardiner. Flying Officer Herring arrived on temporary duty from No. 2 Training Command to inspect the armament section. LAC Townsend, P.E.T., R79641, returned from sick leave and was admitted to Station hospital for observation.

9/5/41 1700 hrs. Flying Officer MacLeod arrived to check up on Link Trainer Instructors. LAC Wilder, W.E., R82337, posted to Brandon, Manitoba, Flying Training Discontinued.

10/5/41 1700 hrs. LAC Webster, G.S., R54290, reported back from Brandon, Manitoba to continue his flying training. LAC Shnier, C. R80163, reported from Brandon for a flight test.

11/5/41 1700 hrs. Sunday flying all day.

12/5/41 1700 hrs. Flying and Ground School as usual.

13/5/41 1700 hrs. LAC Banting, J. R75270, Flying Training Discontinued, posted to Trenton, Ontario.

14/5/41 1700 hrs. Flying and Ground School as usual.

15/5/41 1700 hrs. LAC Randolph, R.W. R80165, posted to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon Saskatchewan, to continue flying.

16/5/41 1700 hrs. Thirty-two Aircrew, course 24, graduated and granted leave, pending posting to No. 34 SFTS, Medicine Hat, Alberta.

17/5/41 1700 hrs. Flying Officer Gardiner, D.B.(cl668), struck off strength and posted to No. 1 S.F.T.S., Camp Borden. Thirty-five aircrew course 28, reported from I.T.S., Regina to begin flying training

18/5/41 1700 hrs. Pilot Officer Garvie, K.C. RAF,17249 - Taken on strength on posting from No. 33 S.F.T.S., Carberry Manitoba.

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19/5/41 1700 hrs. High winds in the afternoon resulted in very little flying.

20/5/41 1700 hrs. Flying and Ground School as usual.

21/5/41 1700 hrs. High winds in the afternoon, no flying. LAC Shnier, C. 80163, arrived from Brandon for training.

22/5/41 1700 hrs. A/Cpl. Hamilton, M.W. R79831, reclassified to LAC, and remustered to clerk. General Group "B" effective 1-7-41.

23/5/41 1700 hrs. Flying and Ground School as usual.

24/5/41 1700 hrs. Smoky in the early afternoon and no flying. LAC Darlington, A.W., R78789, posted to Composite School, Trenton Ontario, Flying Training Discontinued.

25/5/41 1700 hrs. Flying and Ground School as usual.

26/5/41 1700 hrs. Flying and Ground School as usual

27/5/41 1700 hrs. Flying and Ground School as usual.

28/5/41 1700 hrs. Hon. F/Lt., Martin, H.D., Gazetted effective 25-4-41.

29/5/41 1700 hrs. Raining in the morning. Flying in the afternoon only.

30/5/41 1700 hrs. LAC Hughes, T.J., R91534, admitted to Station hospital.  
LAC Warren, R.O., 4285 - reported from Brandon, Manitoba, for a flight check.

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31/5/41 1700 hrs. Senior Class No. 26, took part in a monster parade in Prince Albert, to inaugurate the Victory Loan Campaign. A/Cpl. Hudson, J.E. R59750, was appointed to rank of A/Cpl., (PAID)

31/5/41 1700 hrs. Personnel Strength:  
Staff: - Officers RCAF., - 2;  
          Officers RAF., - 1;  
          Airmen RCAF., - 5;  
Trainees Airmen RCAF., - 73;  
          Total - 81;  
Aircraft Strength:  
Serviceable: Tiger Moths - 27;  
Unserviceable: Tiger Moths- 2

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1/6/41 1700 hrs Personnel Strength:  
Staff:- Officers R.C.A.F. - 2  
          Officers R.A.F. - 1  
          Airman R.C.A.F. - 5  
Trainees - Airmen R.C.A.F.- 73  
Total - 81;

2/6/41 1700 hrs 17249 Pilot Officer K.C. Garvie (RAF) was promoted to Flying Officer effective 16-2-41.  
R87301 LAC Erickson, DL. was admitted to Victoria Hospital suffering from appendicitis.



R91931 LAC Lush, R.C. and R85414 LAC Pegg, R.S. discontinued Flying Training and posted to Composite School, Trenton, Ontario. 4285 LAC Warren, R.O., reported on temporary duty for a flying check, posted back to Brandon, Manitoba. No flying; weather unfit.

3/6/41 1700 hrs No flying in the morning; weather unfit. W.O.2 Clemens J.M., reported on temporary duty from No. 2 Training Command, by rail from Saskatoon. R53593 LAC Waterman, L.A. was posted to No. 7 B & G School at Paulson Manitoba, and relinquished the rank of A/Cpl., he held at this Unit. R67921 LAC Thatcher, F.C. returned from sick leave and was admitted to Station Hospital. R91534 LAC Hughes, T.J. was discharged from the Station Hospital.

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4/6/41 1700 hrs Flight Lieutenant Pafford and Flt., Lt., Emery arrived by air from No. 2 Training Command to test A/Cpl., Collins, K.M. R76636 - and discussed administration respectively.

5/6/41 1700 hrs R61172 A/Cpl., MacDonald, I.C., arrived from Air Armament School to take position as armourer here.

6/6/41 1700 hrs Flying Training and Ground School as usual.

7/6/41 1700 hrs LAC's - R87055 Glazebrook, J.K., R91955 Perry, R.R., R73751 Wilson, I.M., Flying Training Discontinued, posted to Composite School, RCAF, Trenton, Ontario. R67921 LAC Thatcher, F.C. returned to flying on being discharged from the Station Hospital.

8/6/41 1700 hrs Flying Training and Ground School as usual.

9/6/41 1700 hrs Thirty-three graduates of course No. 26, struck off strength on posting to No. 4 S.F.T.S. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Forty members of Course No.30 Taken on strength, reporting from No. 1 I.T.S., Toronto, Ontario.

10/6/41 1700 hrs R60755 A/Sgt., Abbott, H., posted to No. 7 B & G School at Paulson, Manitoba.

11/6/41 1700 hrs 4285 LAC Warren, R.O. Reported from Brandon, to continue Flying Training. LAC's R83218 Elgar, F.L., R79045 Withers, T.A., added to Course No. 30, reporting from No. 1 I.T.S. Regina, Sask.

12/6/41 1700 hrs R76636 A/Cpl., Collins, K.M., promoted to T/Sgt., as a flying instructor and given leave without pay to be employed by the Northern Saskatchewan Flying Training School, effective 5-6-41.

13/6/41 1700 hrs R86417 LAC Shmigelsky, P., Flying Training Discontinued, posted to Composite School, Trenton, Ont.

14/6/41 1700 hrs Wing Commander Taunton, Squadron Leader Miall, Flt., Lt., Sparrow - of Works and Buildings No. 2 Training Command, visited the School coming by air from Winnipeg, Pilot Flt., Lt., Pafford. Squadron Leader Miners of No. 2 Training Command visited the Unit concerning wireless problems.

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15/6/41 1700 hrs R86306 LAC Rourke, H.W., Flying Training Discontinued and posted to Composite School, Trenton, Ont.

16/6/41 1700 hrs Wing Commander Pleasance, engineering and Flight Lieutenant Hansen, equipment Officer, visited our Unit.

17/6/41 1700 hrs Flying Training and Ground School as usual.

18/6/41 1700 hrs Flight Lieutenant Buff, G.E., from No. 2 Training Command visited this Unit, to inspect and report on fire prevention.

19/6/41 1700 hrs No flying in the morning, the weather was unfit.

20/6/41 1700 hrs R79641 LAC Townsend, P.E.T., recovered from aircraft accident, was discharged from Station Hospital and resumed his flying training. R95700 LAC Reed, D.H., injured in aircraft accident in which Instructor Hall, D.E. (T/Sgt.) R61645, was killed and LAC Reed, D.H. was dangerously injured.

21/6/41 1700 hrs A Court Of Inquiry, composed of Squadron Leader Jellison, Flt., Lt., Miller and Flying Officer Sharpe, held at this Unit to inquire into accident to aircraft No. 4208.

22/6/41 1700 hrs No Flying Training Sunday.

23/6/41 1700 hrs No flying in the morning; weather unfit.

24/6/41 1700 hrs Flying Officer K.C. Garvie, struck off strength to report to No. 31 S.F.T.S. at Calgary as a Flying Instructor.

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25/6/41 1700 hrs R69403 LAC Scourfield, L.R., R84388 LAC Sleeth, S. Flying Training Discontinued and posted to Composite School, Trenton, Ontario.

26/6/41 1700 hrs R56284 LAC Oulster, N.M., reported from Brandon, to his Flying Training with Course No. 30. R87301 LAC Eriokson, D.L., was discharged from Station hospital and granted sick leave until 26-7-41.

27/6/41 1700 hrs R78836 LAC Ramsay, M.H., Flying Training Discontinued and posted to

Composite School, Trenton, Ontario. R59702 Sergeant Bell, J.A. reported on temporary duty from Winnipeg, Manitoba.

28/6/41 1700 hrs R89575 LAC Gibbs, A.S. R95745 LAC Hamilton, W.C. R83493 LAC Hilterbrand, R.C. 1026 LAC Lingley, L.R.A., Flying Training Discontinued and posted to Composite School, Trenton, Ontario.

29/6/41 1700 hrs No flying Training on Sunday.

30/6/41 1700 hrs Flying Training and Ground School as usual.-

30/6/41 1700 hrs Personnel Strength:

Staff:- Officers RCAF., - 3  
Airmen - RCAF., - 4  
Trainees Airmen RCAF., - 67  
Total RCAF., - 74

Aircraft Strength

Serviceable: Tiger Moth - 26;  
Unserviceable! Tiger Moth - 3;

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1-7-41 1700 hrs PERSONNEL STRENGTH: - Staff:- Officers - 3  
- Airmen - 4  
Trainees:- Airmen (RCAF - 67  
Total: - Staff & Trainees: - 74

R61172 A/Cpl MacDonald, I.C. was appointed Acting Sergeant (Unpaid)

2-7-41 1700 hrs Twenty-seven Pilots ("STD"), members of Course No. 28, S0S and posted to No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Sask; R-91903 LAC Beckwith, H., (Pilot "STD"), ceased training and was posted to Composite Training School, RCAF., Trenton, Ontario.

3-7-41 1700 hrs R-83305 LAC Merrick, W.T., (Pilot "STD"), ceased training and was posted to Composite Training School, RCAF., Trenton, Ontario; Thirty-eight Pilots ("STD"), Course No. 32, reported from No. 1 Initial Training School, Toronto, Ontario.

4-7-41 1700 hrs Four Pilots ("STD"), Course 32, reported from No. 2 Initial Training School,

Regina, Sask.

5-7-41 1700 hrs R-84573 LAC Duffy, R.C.F., slightly injured in flying accident, was admitted to Station Hospital (discharged 10-7-41).

6-7-41 1700 hrs R-76412 LAC Ripley, L.C., (Pilot "STD"), admitted to Station Hospital (discharged 13-7-41).

7-7-41 1700 hrs R-82760 LAC Tierney, F.O., (Pilot "STD"), ceased training and was posted to Composite Training School, RCAF., Trenton, Ont;

The Prime Minister of Canada, The Rt. Hon. W.L. MacKenzie King, visited the station today, accompanied by the Air Officer Commanding No.2 Training Command, Winnipeg, Man., Air Commodore A.B. Shearer. A Guard of Honour, composed of Airmen from No.6 E.F.T.S. and No. 6 A.O.S.,

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7-7-41 1700 hrs (continued) was inspected by the visitors. An inspection of the whole station was carried out. Later, tea was served in the Air Observers School Officers' Mess and Mr. King addressed a few words to the RCAF Officers and officials of the Civilian Operating Companies.

8-7-41 1700 hrs Normal flying and ground school routine.

9-7-41 1700 hrs Normal flying and ground school routine.

10-7-41 1700 hrs Normal flying and ground school routine.

11-7-41 1700 hrs R-88630 LAC Robertson, E.D., (Pilot "STD"), ceased training and was posted to Composite Training School, RCAF., Trenton, Ontario; Flying Officer F.E. Dubisher, (C-5555) admitted to Station Hospital (discharged 13-7-41).

12-7-41 1700 hrs Normal flying and ground school routine.

13-7-41 1700 hrs R-79344 LAC Wigley, C.G., (pilot "STD"), admitted to Station Hospital (discharged 2-8-41)

14-7-41 1700 hrs Normal flying and ground school routine.

15-7-41 1700 hrs R-102432 A.C.2 Bercovich, A., (Clerk Steno. "Group C"), reported from School of Administration, Trenton. Ontario; R-84046 LAC Stewart, R., (Pilot "STD") awarded fifteen days' forfeiture of pay for solo flying in an unauthorized area.

16-7-41 1700 hrs Normal flying and ground school routine.

17-7-41 1700 hrs R-79045 LAC Withers, T.A., R-79090 LAC Proulx, L.A., R-88041 LAC

Wareham, H.B., R-84753 LAC Stick, J.R., (Pilots "STD") ceased training and were posted to Composite Training School, Trenton, Ontario.

18-7-41 1700 hrs R-85779 LAC Martin, W.M., (Pilot "STD"), ceased training and was posted to Composite Training School, Trenton, Ontario.

19-7-41 1700 hrs Normal flying and ground school routine.

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20-7-41 1700 hrs No flying today, Sunday; flying programme well ahead of time;

21-7-41 1700 hrs R-82636 LAC Holland, G.A., (Pilot "STD"), awarded fifteen days' forfeiture of pay for solo flying in an unauthorized Area.

22-7-41 1700 hrs R-83202 LAC Benn, R., (Pilot "STD"), admitted to Station Hospital.

23-7-41 1700 hrs Normal flying and ground school routine.

24-7-41 1700 hrs R-95700 LAC Reed, D.H., (Pilot "STD") recovered from aircraft accident, was discharged from Station Hospital and granted sick leave until 4-9-41.

25-7-41 1700 hrs Flight Lieutenant A.T. Chesson, (C-877) Chief Supervisory Officer, was appointed Acting Squadron Leader, effective 1-7-41.

26-7-41 1700 hrs Thirty-one Pilots ("STD"), Course No. 30, were posted to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask. R-76412 LAC Ripley, L.C., and R-83202 LAC Benn, R., (Pilots "STD"), members of Course No.30 were held over on account of sickness and transferred to Course No. 32.

27-7-41 1700 hrs The first fatality among trainees at this Unit occurred today when R-100302 LAC Hendrix, R.H., was drowned while swimming with a group of friends at Waskesiu Lake, Saskatchewan. Forty-two Pilots("STD"), Course No. 34, arrived from No. 2 Initial Training School, Regina, Saskatchewan.

28-7-41 1700 hrs The remains of R-100302 LAC Hendrix, R.H. were sent home to Walsenburg, Colorado, U.S.A., escorted by his twin brother, R-100300 LAC Hendrix, R.M; R-94987 LAC Heintz, B.F., (Pilot STD ), was admitted to Station Hospital.

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28-7-41 1700 hrs (continued) R-100112 LAC McKinnon, R.R., and R-84639 LAC Spears, E.T., (Pilots "STD") ceased training and were posted to Composite Training School, RCAF., Trenton, Ontario. R-60660 A/Sgt. Cote, C.F., proceeded on eight days' annual leave to



7-8-41 1700 hrs Flight Lieutenant J. Gray arrived from No. 2 Initial Training School, Regina, Sask., to test Link Instructors at this Unit; R-93052 LAC Reed, C.G., Course No. 32, ceased training and was posted to Composite Training School, RCAF., Trenton, Ontario; R-76412 LAC Ripley, L.C., Course No.32, awarded seven days detention and fifteen days forfeiture of pay for low flying.

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8-8-41 1700 hrs. R-94546 LAC Homme, A.W., R-94645 LAC Scott, J.L.E., Course No. 34, ceased training and were ported to Composite Training School, RCAF., Trenton, Ontario.

9-8-41 1700 hrs. Ground school and flying training as usual.

10-8-41 1700 hrs. Sunday - holiday, no flying;

11-8-41 1700 hrs. R-79344 LAC Wigley, C.C., Course No. 32, ceased training and was posted to Composite Training School, RCAF., Trenton, Ontario.

12-8-41 1700 hrs. R-94988 LAC Freeman, R.C.H. was admitted to Station Hospital (discharged 14-8-41);

13-8-41 1700 hrs. Ground school and flying training as usual.

14-8-41 1700 hrs. R-85441 LAC Westlake, J.M., Course No. 34, ceased training and was posted to Composite Training School, RCAF., Trenton, Ontario, on temporary duty.

15-8-41 1700 hrs. Ground school and flying training an usual.

16-8-41 1700 hrs. Five hours of flying training lost due to rainy weather; R-95379 LAC Duxbury, O.B., R-94590 LAC Dunajski, F.X.J., Course No.34, ceased training and were posted to Composite Training School, RCAF., Trenton, Ont, on temporary duty; R-100300 LAC Hendrix, R.M., Course No.32, ceased training and was posted to Composite Training School, RCAF., Trenton, Ontario, on Temporary Duty.

17-8-41 1700 hours. Squadron Leader McNab of Ottawa and Squadron Leader H. MacFarlane, Principal Chaplain of No.2 Training Command, visited this Unit today.

18-8-41 1700 hrs. Ground school and flying training as usual.

19-8-41 1700 hrs. Fourteen graduates of Course No. 32 were posted to No. 3 S.F.T.S., Calgary, Alta., and seventeen graduates were posted to No. 10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Man. The latter group was given twelve days leave, reporting September 1st, 1941.

20-8-41 1700 hrs. R-97435 LAC Phillips, J.D., and R-94607 LAC Robertson, D.G., Course No.34, ceased, training and proceeded on temporary duty to the Composite Training School,

RCAF., Trenton, Ontario.

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20-8-41 1700 hrs. (cont'd)

Forty-two Pilots("STD"), Course No. 36, reported from No. 2 Initial Training School, RCAF. Regina, Sask., via Saskatoon, Sask; R-102537 LAC Ross, K.R., Course No. 32, was admitted to Station Hospital, therefore, was unable to graduate with his Course.

21-8-41 1700 hrs. Ground school and flying training as usual.

22-8-41 1700 hrs. Two hours of flying training lost due to smoke and ground fog.

23-8-41 1700 hrs. R-102432 A.C.2 Bercovich, A., Clerk Steno. Group "C", reclassified A.C.1; R-94840 LAC Hill J.C., and R-87431 LAC Quigley H., Course No.34, ceased training and proceeded on temporary duty to Composite Training School, RCAF., Trenton, Ontario; R-105554 LAC Stelter, N.A., Course No.36, was admitted to Station Hospital.

24-8-41 1700 hrs. Sunday - holiday; no flying.

25-8-41 1700 hrs. Wing Commander Pleasance of No.2 Training Command, visited this Unit today; R-87444 LAC Cuelenaere, M.R.C. and R-94620 LAC Fellner, A.M., were admitted to Station Hospital.

26-8-41 1700 hrs. One half day of flying training lost due to ground fog; R-93534 LAC Reid, A.M. was admitted to Station Hospital; R-87444 LAC Cuelenaere, M.R.C. discharged from Station Hospital.

27-8-41 1700 hrs. Squadron Leader J.W.D. McKnight, of No.2 Training Command, visited this Unit today.

28-8-41 1700 hrs. Almost the whole day was lost to flying training due to rain and heavy mist.

29-8-41 1700 hrs. One half day of flying training lost due to ground fog.

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31-8-41 1700 hrs. Squadron Leader H.T.I. Lee, Senior Auxiliary Services Officer (Air), Ottawa, Ont., along with Flight Lieutenant E.S. Hammett, of No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg, visited this Unit to discuss problems concerning the Auxiliary Services.





11-9-41 1700 hrs R-87301 LAC Erickson, B.L., R-94628 LAC Urton, W.H., R-101189 LAC Barnard, S.A.

R-94710 LAC Moodie, N.A., R-92496 LAC Woodcock, J.M., Having ceased flying training were posted to Ceased Training School, Trenton, Ontario. One-half day flying training lost due to high winds.

12-9-41 1700 hrs Twenty-Eight graduates Course No. 34, were posted to No. 4 S.F.T.S. Saskatoon. Two students failed in Ground school and were held over. Three were held over on account of sickness. One-half day flying lost due to rain and low ceiling.

13-9-41 1700 hrs Forty-two trainees, Course No. 38 - arrived from No. 4 I.T.S. Edmonton, Alberta. One-half day flying training lost due to rain and low ceiling.

14-9-41 1700 hrs On Reconsecration Sunday, church parades were held to the Roman Catholic and Anglican Churches in Prince Albert, Sask.

15-9-41 1700 hrs Flying Training and Ground School as usual.

16-9-41 1700 hrs “ ” “ ” “ ” “

17-9-41 1700 hrs “ ” “ ” “ ” “

18-9-41 1700 hrs R-93794 LAC Haugen, C., discontinued flying training and posted to Trenton, Ontario. R-98865 LAC Johnston, G.M., admitted to Station Hospital (Discharged 29-9-41). Stoppages of pay under (F.R.I.) article 222.

19-9-41 1700 hrs R-110106 LAC Beeson, D.W., admitted to Station Hospital.

20-9-41 1700 hrs R-101191 LAC LaBelle, P.A., Discontinued flying training and posted to Composite Training School, Trenton, Ontario.

21-9-41 1700 hrs R-93534 LAC Reid, AM., Discontinued flying training and posted to Composite Training School, Trenton, Ontario.

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22-9-41 1700 hrs J3711 Pilot Officer McDonald, V.F., arrived to take the place of C5555 Flying Officer F.E., Dubisher, at this Unit.

23-9-41 1700 hrs C5555 Flying Officer F.E. Dubisher left here for duty with an Operational Squadron (#118) at Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. One-half day flying training lost due to low ceiling.

24-9-41 1700 hrs Flight Lieutenant Herring, E.C., arrived from No. 2 Training Command. Group Captain Bonham-Carter of No. 2 Training Command, arrived by air to discuss problems relating to the Air Cadets.





11-10-41 1700 hrs R-107679 LAC Megaw, A., discontinued flying training and was posted to Composite Training School, Trenton, Ontario. Forty-two aircrew of course No.40 reported from No. 4 I.T.S., Edmonton, Alberta.

12-10-41 1700 hrs R-106441 LAC Kane, P.A., discontinued flying training and was posted to Composite Training School, Trenton, Ontario.

13-10-41 1700 hrs Flying Training And Ground School as usual.

14-10-41 1700 hrs One half day flying training lost due to high winds.

15-10-41 1700 hrs Flying Training And Ground School as usual.

16-10-41 1700 hrs R-107752 LAC Nurse, S.L., discontinued flying training and was posted to Composite Training School, Trenton, Ontario.

17-10-41 1700 hrs R-61172 A/Sergeant MacDona1d, I.C., left on Seven days leave (annual).

18-10-41 1700 hrs One half day flying training lost due to high winds.

19-10-41 1700 hrs No flying; weather unfavourable.

20-10-41 1700 hrs Flying Training and Ground School as usual.

21-10-41 1700 hrs Flying Training and Ground School as usual.

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22-10-41 1700 hrs R-107285 LAC Stang, F.E., discontinued flying training and was posted to the Composite Training School, Trenton, Ontario.

23-10-41 1700 hrs A/Sergeant Hudson, J.E.(R-59750), appointed Temporary Corporal (Paid) Effective 1-6-41. A/Sergeant MacDonaid, I.C. (R61172), appointed Temporary Corporal (Paid) effective 15-8-41. A/Sergeant Cote, C.F. , (R-60660), appointed Temporary Sergeant (Paid) effective 1-7-41. W/C Lister & S/Ldr. Sheffield visited the Unit to inspect the Armament Section.

24-10-41 1700 hrs Trade Test Officer, F/Lt. Dawson, visited the Unit.

25-10-41 1700 hrs One half day flying training lost due to fog.

26-10-41 1700 hrs No flying, weather unfavourable.

27-10-41 1700 hrs Flying Training and Ground School as usual.



6-11-41 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School as usual.

7-11-41 1700 hrs. Thirty-one graduates of Course No. 38 were posted to No. 11 S.F.T.S., Yorkton, Sask.

8-11-41 1700 hrs. Low ceiling, no flying training; ground school as usual.

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9-11-41. 1700 hrs. Forty-two trainees of Course No. 42 reported from No. 5 I.T.S., at Belleville. R-115571 LAC Sorenson, B., was seriously injured in an aircraft accident and was admitted to Victoria Hospital.

10-11-41 1700 hrs. R-115571 LAC Sorenson, B., was transferred to the City Hospital in Saskatoon. R-114816 LAC Brown, I.S., discontinued flying training and was posted to the Composite Training School, Trenton, Ontario.

11-11-41 1700 hrs. Members of this Unit on flying duty in the morning, along with members of the staff of the Civil Operating Company, joined the Canadian Legion and other bodies in a joint Remembrance Day parade and Service in Prince Albert.

12-11-41 1700 hrs. R-110979 LAC Curd, T.A., admitted to Victoria Hospital, discharged 19-11-41.

13-11-41 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School as usual.

14-11-41 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School as usual.

15-11-41 1700 hrs. Squadron Leader A.T. Chesson, left for No. 2 Training Command on Temporary Duty. One-half day flying training lost due to unfavourable weather.

16-11-41 1700 hrs. No flying, weather unfavourable.

17-11-41 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School as usual.

18-11-41 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School as usual.

19-11-41 1700 hrs. One-half day Flying Training lost.

20-11-41 1700 hrs. Squadron Leader A.T. Chesson, returned from Temporary Duty at No. 2 Training Command. One half day Flying Training lost, snowing.

21-11-41 1700 hrs. No flying, snowing. Ground School classes.





<u>STAFF</u> - Officers	- 3
Airmen	- 5
Trainees	- <u>76</u>
Total	- <u>84</u>

Staff & Trainees

Flying training and ground school normal. R-60660 Temp. Sgt. Cote, C.F., promoted to the rank of A/Flt/Sgt.(Paid), eff. 1-10-41. L.A.C.'s R100760 and R115112, Agnew and Gauthier flying training discontinued, posted K.T.S. Trenton, Ontario.

2-12-41 1700 hours Flying training and Ground School normal. R113622 LAC Briggs, E.J., discontinued Flying Training, posted K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario. Banquet Class No. 40.

3-12-41 1700 hours Flying Officer Powell of Mobile Recruiting Unit visited School. Flying Training and Ground School normal. R107531 LAC Vallis, K.G., discontinued Flying Training. Posted K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario.

4-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training and Ground School as usual. R104277 LAC Clements, H.H., R104215 LAC Feinstein, S., and R110918 LAC Hughes, A., discontinued Flying Training. Posted K.T.S, Trenton, Ontario.

5-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training and Ground School normal. Thirty-four graduates of Course No. 40 posted to No. 11 S.F.T.S., Yorkton, Saskatchewan.

6-12-41 1700 hours Group Captains Collis and Feather visited Station. Flying Training and Ground School normal for Course No. 42.

7-12-41 1700 hours Forty-five Student Pilots arrived from No. 4 I.T.S., Edmonton, Alberta. Flying Training for Course No. 42.

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8-12-41 1700 hours Commencement of Flying Training and Ground School for Course No. 44. Course No. 42 normal instruction.

9-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training discontinued for R115171 LAC Hale, C.T., R99497 LAC Tingley, W.W., R111594 LAC Denton, J.C.R., R104238 LAC Diggins, J.A., and R111439 LAC McIntyre, W.B.M., posted K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario. Flt/Sgt. Casselman of D.A.P.S. visited School. Flying Training and Ground School as usual.

10-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training and Ground School normal.

11-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training and Ground School normal.

12-12-41 1700 hours Ground School normal. Flying Training half day only due to cloudy

weather. F/O Brown and three Sgt. Pilots arrived in four Tiger Moths.

13-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training and Ground School normal.

14-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training and Ground School normal.

15-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training and Ground School normal. Flt/Sgt Cote returned from N.C.O. Administration Course at Trenton. Flt/Lt. Jameison and F/O Farquharson flew from Saskatoon to assist Board of Officers in taking over new leanto on hangar.

16-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training and Ground School normal. Flying Training discontinued for R114823 LAC Fish, E., R120682 LAC Foord, T.J., and R121260 LAC Naylor, W.K. Posted K.T.S., Trenton.

17-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training and Ground School as usual. Flt/Sgt. Oldham arrived from No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg on temporary duty in connection with aircraft maintenance. J3202 P/O Neilly, L.G., posted here from No.11 SFTS Yorkton, Sask. Granted two week semi-annual leave.

18-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training and Ground School normal.

19-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training washed out due to snow storm. Ground School normal. Supervisory staff attended Christmas Banquet as guests of Civilian Company. Flying Training for R119793 LAC Morin, G.G., and R123551 LAC Sidenberg, J.L. discontinued Posted K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario.

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20-12-41 1700 hours Flt/Sgt. Oldham here on temporary duty departed. Flying Training and Ground School normal. Ground School exams for Course No. 42.

21-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training and Ground School exams all day Sunday. Church parade. (Dinner in mess, company executives, officers and wives.)

22-12-41 1700 hours Inclement weather. Flying Training half day. Ground School exams.

23-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training and Ground School normal.

24-12-41 1700 hours Inclement weather, no flying. Course No. 44 left for five days Christmas leave.

25-12-41 1700 hours Christmas day, no training. Dinner in airmen's mess for all personnel on station.

26-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training for Course No. 42.

27-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training for Course No. 42.

28-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training for Course No. 42. Course No. 44 returned from Christmas leave.

29-12-41 1700 hours Low ceiling. Less than half day flying training possible. Ground School for Course No. 44 normal.

30-12-41 1700 hours Flying Training and Ground School normal.

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31-12-41 1700 hours Course No. 42 completed training, granted holiday leave to January 4th. Flying Training and Ground School normal for Course No. 44. Flying Training discontinued for R123553 LAI Andrew, E.J., R119839 LAC Carter, G.C., and R123638 LAC Rothstein. Posted K.T.S., Trenton.

PERSONNEL STRENGTH: - Staff: - Officers - 4 AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:- Serviceable:- 31  
- Airman - 5 Unserviceable!- 4  
Trainees - Airmen - 67  
- TOTAL  
Staff & Trainees - 76

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1-1-42 1700 hrs. PERSONNEL STRENGTH: - Staff: - Officers - 4  
- Airmen - 5  
Trainees - Airmen - 67  
TOTAL - 76  
Staff & Trainees  
RCAF.

New Years Day. No flying or Ground School. Entire School on holiday.

2-1-42 1700 hrs. Twenty-seven graduates of Course No. 42 completed course and posted to No. 4 S.F.T.S.. Saskatoon. Sask., reporting January 4th, 1942. R-110979 LAC Curd, T.A., R-104284 LAC Richard, J.O., and R-115571 LAC Sorenson, B., transferred to Course No. 44. Flying

Training and Ground School normal for Course No. 44.

3-1-42 1700 hrs. R-114151 LAC Burke, D.K. presented with watch and cup as leader of Course No. 42. R-122356 LAC Hutton, A., Course No. 44 flying training discontinued. Posted KTS, Trenton, Ont. R-59750 Sgt. Hudson, J.E. remustered to aircrew and posted to No. 4 I.T.S., Edmonton, Alta.

4-1-42 1700 hrs. Flt .Lt. Jackson and W.O.2 Jones brought 45 student pilots from No. 1 I.T.S., Toronto. Flying training normal for Course No. 44.

5-1-42 1700 hrs. Course No. 46 commenced flying training and Ground School. Flying training and Ground School normal for Course No. 44.

6-1-42 1700 hrs. R-122259 LAC Madigan, F.D. ceased flying training; posted KTS Trenton, Ontario. Flying training and Ground School normal.

7-1-42 1700 hrs. Flying training and Ground School normal.

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8-1-42 1700 hrs. Flying training and Ground School normal. Night flying started for student pilots.

9-1-42 1700 hrs. Flying training and Ground School as usual.

10-1-42 1700 hrs. Flying training and Ground School as usual.

11-1-42 1700 hrs. Regular Sunday morning Church Parade. Flying training in morning only due to high winds in afternoon.

12-1-42 1700 hrs. R-119623 LAC McLeod, R., Course No. 44 flying training discontinued; posted KTS Trenton, Ont. Flying training and Ground School normal.

13-1-42 1700 hrs. R-116993 LAC Buck, C.C. Course No. 46 Flying training discontinued; posted KTS Trenton, Ont. Flying training washed out due to inclement weather. Ground School normal.

14-1-42 1700 hrs. Wing Commander Blaine, Sqn.Ldr. McKnight, Messrs. Apedaile, Seymour, and Nicholls visited School. Flying training and Ground School normal.

15-1-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal.

16-1-42 1700 hrs. Flying training and Ground School normal.

17-1-42 1700 hrs. Flying training and Ground School as usual. R-125594 LAC Bovard, E.W., and R-51930 LAC McCann, G. flying training discontinued; posted KTS Trenton, Ont.

18-1-42 1700 hrs. J-3711 P/O V.F. McDonald left on fourteen days leave. No flying training or Ground School.

19-1-42 1700 hrs. Flying training and Ground School normal.

20-1-42 1700 hrs. R-139679 A.C.2 Card, E.E.J, arrived at this Unit from Trenton, Ont. TOS as Orderly Room Clerk General. Flying training and Ground School normal.

21-1-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal.

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22-1-42 1700 hrs. R-120244 LAC Spraggett, J.P., Course 46 - Flying training discontinued; posted KTS Trenton, Ontario. Flying training and Ground School normal for Course No. 44. Night flying 4 hours

23-1-42 1700 hrs. Stinson aircraft arrived from Winnipeg, Man., for Supervisory Staffs of No. 6 E.F.T.S. and No. 6 A.O.S. Flying training and Ground School normal.

24-1-42 1700 hrs. Fog and ice forced washing out of day and night flying. Ground School normal.

25-1-42 1700 hrs. No Flying training or Ground School. Church Parade at 0900 hours.

26-1-42 1700 hrs. Flying training and Ground School as usual.

27-1-42 1700 hrs. Low fog and icing grounded all aircraft for the day. Ground School normal.

28-1-42 1700 hrs. Low ceiling and ice grounded all aircraft. Ground School normal.

29-1-42 1700 hrs. All aircraft grounded day and night due to low ceiling. Ground School normal.

30-1-42 1700 hrs. Flying training and Ground School normal.

31-1-42 1700 hrs. Flying training and Ground School normal.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH:</u> - Staff: - Officers - 4	<u>AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:</u> - Serviceable - 34
- Airmen - 5	Unserviceable:- Nil
Trainees - Airmen - <u>78</u>	
- TOTAL	
Staff & Trainees - <u>87</u>	

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1-2-42 1700 hrs. PERSONNEL STRENGTH: - Staff: - Officers - 4  
- Airmen - 5  
Trainees: - Airmen - 78  
- TOTAL 87  
Staff & Trainees  
RCAF

Snow and low ceiling permitted very little flying time.

No night flying, regular Sunday Church Parade.

2-2-42 1700 hrs. Snowing all day, grounded all aircraft, examinations started for course No. 44. Ground School normal for course No. 46.

3-2-42 1700 hrs. R.66341 LAC Kish J., Clerk "B" (Gen.) taken on strength from Virден, supernumerary to the Orderly Room Staff. Flying time and ground school for course No. 46 normal. Ground School, examinations for course No. 44.

4-2-42 1700 hrs. Flying training during afternoon only, due to snow. Ground school normal for course No. 46. Ground school examinations for course No. 44.

5-2-42 1700 hrs. Course No. 44 completed their Ground School examinations. Flying time in the afternoon only due to snow. Ground School normal. R.128412 A/Cpl. Bock, A.A., & R.130747 A/Cpl. Cousins, R.B., {"C" Grp. Service Police) taken on strength from No. 2 Training Command, RCAF, Winnipeg, Man.

6-2-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. R.120236 LAC Greene, G.H., Course 46 flying training discontinued and posted to K.T.S, Trenton, Ontario. R.53620 Sgt. Grubb, R.G.M. and R.71207 Cpl. Robertson., H.R. Parachute Party Inspection from #2 T.C. (cont.'d)

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6-2-42 1700 hrs. Reported on Temporary Duty, proceeding from No. 6 A.O.S. Prince Albert, Sask.

7-2-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal, no night flying and a Graduation Party and Dance was held in the Recreation Room for Course No. 44. R.117193 LAC Clenesk, J. had been presented with the "Len Waite" Trophy, for attaining the highest proficiency in flying training, and had been gifted with a wrist watch.

8-2-42 1700 hrs. Church Parade at 0900 hours. Flying Training all day, no night flying.

9-2-42 1700 hrs. Ground School and Flying Training normal.

10-2-42 1700 hrs. F/O J.E.F. Whelan, Command Disciplinarian visited school. R53620 Sgt. Grubb, R.G.M. and R.71207 Cpl. Robertson, H.R., Parachute Party Inspectors ceased to be on temporary duty had proceeded to No. 11 S.F.T.S. Yorkton, Sask., and No. 2 Training Command, Wpg., respectively. R.120710 LAC Smith, C.J., Pilot "Std." flying training discontinued, posted to K.T.S. Trenton, Ontario.

11-2-42 1700 hrs. Low ceiling and snow grounded aircraft most of the day. Ground School normal.

12-2-42 1700 hrs. Aircraft grounded all day due to snow and ice. Ground School normal. Flt.Lt. . Leitch Signals Officer for No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg, Man., visited this school.

13-2-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. Thirty five student pilots, Course No. 44 had graduated, and granted 14 days leave prior to posting to No. 4 S.F.T.S. Saskatoon, Sask. and No. 5 "M" Depot, Lachine, P.Q. reporting 1-3-42.

14-2-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal for course No. 46. Only one hour of night flying due to storm.

15-2-42 1700 hrs. No flying due to storm. Forty five student pilots arrived this school from No. 7 I.T.S, Saskatoon, Sask, for training as course No. 49.

16-2-42 1700 hrs. Course No. 49 commenced training. Aircraft grounded almost all day due to snow and high winds. Ground School normal.

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17-2-42 1700 hrs. F/O F. McRae from Recruiting Centre, Saskatoon, Sask. visited this school. Flying Training and Ground School normal.

18-2-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal.

19-2-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. No night flying due to heavy snow.

20-2-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. F/Sgt. Duncan from the Accounting Branch, No. 2 Training Command, Wpg., visited this school.

21-2-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal.

22-2-42 1700 hrs. Very little flying due to storm, no night flying.

23-2-42 1700 hrs. No flying in the morning due to high winds. Ground School normal.

24-2-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal.

25-2-42 1700 hrs. Wg. Cmdr. N.C. Pleasance, Flt. Lt. J.W. Hansen and Flt. Lt. E.C. Herring, from No. 2 Training Command, Wpg., visited this school to discuss Engineering and Armament. Flying Training and Ground School normal.

26-2-42 1700 hrs. No flying in the morning due to fog. Ground School normal. F/O J.A. Whyte, (C.9021) arrived from No. 5 E.F.T.S. High River, Alta. to replace F/O H.R. Yeandle, C.7302), as Administrative Officer of this school. R.125590 LAC Schwartz, S.S. flying training discontinued and posted to K.T.S. Trenton, Ontario. Night flying 4 ½ hours.

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27-2-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal.

28-2-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. Combined hockey team of No. 6 A.O.S. Prince Albert and No. 6 E.F.T.S, Prince Albert, Sask, played a team from No. 4 S.F.T.S, Saskatoon, Sask at Prince Albert Minto Arena. Proceeds of \$250.00 given to fund for Canadian Prisoners of War. R.129158 LAC Hood, J.M., crashed, resulting in double fracture of one arm and severe damage to aircraft.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH:</u>	- Staff:	- Officers - 5	<u>AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:</u>	- Serviceable 33
		- Airmen - 8		Unserviceable: NIL
	Trainees	- Airmen - <u>85</u>		
		TOTAL - 98		
	Staff & Trainees			
	RCAF			

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1-3-42 1700 hrs.	<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH:</u>	- Staff:	- Officers - 5
			- Airmen - 8
		Trainees:	- Airmen - <u>85</u>
			- TOTAL - <u>98</u>
		Staff & Trainees	
		RCAF	

No flying during daylight hours - some night flying.

2-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying training and Ground School normal. Flt/Lt. Taylor from A.F.H.Q. visited in regard to canteens. F/O H.R. Yeandle (C7302), left to report to "Y" Depot, Halifax, Nova Scotia.



3-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. Flt/Lt. M.M. Putnam visited from Command H.Q. No. 2 T.C. in regard to Navigation.

4-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. R.127988 LAC Joyce, M.L. C.I.T. posted to K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario. Granted fourteen days leave. Flt/Lt. S.E. Lovelace visited station from Command Headquarters in connection with security provisions.

5-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. Three and three-quarters hours night flying.

6-3-42 1700 hrs. F/O Black from No. 10 Repair Depot, Calgary, visited this station en route to pick up Oxford Training Aircraft at Montreal Lake. He was loaned thirty-nine blankets and some cooking utensils by the Company in order that he could set up camp for the operation. Flt/Lt. White from Command W & B visited in regard to setting up machine gun stands. No Flying Training in the morning due to snow.

7-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. Wing Commander A.J. Taunton and Sqn.Ldr. A.G. Goulding visited from Command. A parade was held in Prince Albert in connection with the Victory Loan at which an attending party of twenty-six airmen was supplied by this Unit. F/O J.A. Whyte represented Sqn.Ldr. A.T. Chesson at the function.

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8-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying training normal. Sqn.Ldr. A.G. Goulding was flown by Sqn.Ldr. A.T. Chesson to Regina.

9-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal.

10-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying washed out in the morning. Normal flying in the afternoon. Flt/Lt. L. Enoch of R.A.F. Station, North Battleford, Sask. visited this Station en route to fly Oxford Training plane out of Montreal Lake district.

11-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. R.128903 LAC Kornegay, E.D. returned from Deer Lodge Hospital, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

12-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. Motion picture "Target for Tonight" was received from No. 6 A.O.S. and was shown this evening to the personnel of this station.

13-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. Course No. 46 graduated thirty-three student pilots, five going to No. 1 S.F.T.S., Camp Borden, Ontario, and twenty-eight going to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask

14-3-42 1700 hrs. Course No. 51 arrived from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask. Checked in and commenced training. Flying time in afternoon and Night flying only. Flying washed out in

morning. Ground School normal.

15-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training normal.

16-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal.

17-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal.

18-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying washed-out in morning only. Ground School normal.

19-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. R.68528 T/Sgt. Dyck, A.L. recalled to R.C.A.F. A farewell party was held in the instructor's mess, and a presentation made from his fellow instructors.

20-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. F/O H.R. Yeandle (C7302), SOS 20-3-4-2 on posting to No. 1 "Y" Depot, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

21-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal.

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22-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training normal.

23-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. Sqn.Ldr. A.T. Chesson left for a few days leave.

24-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. Flt/Lt. G. Stevens of No. 7 S.F.T.S.. MacLeod, Alberta, visited Officer's Mess while spending his furlough in Prince Albert.

25-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. Sqn.Ldr. A.T. Chesson returned from leave. Sqn.Ldr. J.W.D. McKnight visited from Command Headquarters.

26-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal. Visitors at this Unit were Flt/Lt. Emery from A.F.H.Q. and Flt/Lt. Duse from No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask.

27-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training and Ground School normal.

28-3-42 1700 hrs. Ground School normal. Ceiling closed in for a while in afternoon, but flying was resumed later.

29-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying Training normal. Weather fine and warm. Aerodrome snow beginning to melt.

30-3-42 1700 hrs. Flying training and Ground School normal. Condition of aerodrome deteriorating. Flt/Lt. A.W. Davison of W. & B. and F/O J.P. Newlands visited this station, the



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8-4-42 1700 hrs R.129229 LAC Parkhill, D.B. admitted to Station Hospital. Flt/Lt. H.W. Boyd (C1716) visited this Unit from No. 16 Technical Detachment, Edmonton, Alberta. Flt/Lt. Keighley (C2393) from RCAF Station Calgary, Alberta, visited this Unit in connection with instrument repair. R.107975 LAC Hillman, J.G. ceased training. Posted K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario, eff. 8-4-42.

9-4-42 1700 hrs R.128883 LAC Balzar, J.R. , ceased flying training. Posted to K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario, eff. 9-4-42. Half day flying training lost due to high winds.

10-4-42 1700 hrs Twenty-five graduate student pilots posted to No. 11 S.F.T.S., Yorkton, Sask., five posted to No. 1 S.F.T.S., Camp Borden, Ontario, and eight posted to No. 3 Manning Depot, Edmonton, Alberta, eff. 25-4-42, reporting 26-4-42 to the respective Units. Granted leave effective 12-4-42. Pilot Officer F.A.G. Hamilton (C9719) (SR) Navigation Branch reported on temporary duty from No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., to replace civilian instructor.

11-4-42 1700 hrs Half day flying training lost as aerodrome was unserviceable due to spring break-up. R.121616 LAC Chlibecki, W., R.116093 LAC Love, V.C., and R.116091 LAC Macready, J., had their flying training discontinued. Posted K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario, effective 11-4-42, reporting 25-4-42. Granted fourteen days leave.

12-4-42 1700 hrs Half day flying training lost due to aerodrome unserviceability and high winds. Flying Officer W. Lingings (C9088) (SR), TOS from No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., effective 12-4-42, reporting 13-4-42. To be Administrative Officer at this Unit.

13-4-42 1700 hrs Half day flying training lost due to spring break-up and high winds. Flying only in morning. R.129229 LAC Parkhill, D.B. discharged from Station Hospital.

14-4-42 1700 hrs Flying training in morning. In afternoon, aerodrome unserviceable and high winds.

15-4-42 1700 hrs One half day lost due to low ceiling and snow. Nineteen airmen T.O.S. from No. 2 I.T.S., Regina, Sask., and twenty-six airmen T.O.S. from No. 5 "M" Depot, Lachine, P.Q., effective 11-4-42, reporting 12-4-42.

16-4-42 1700 hrs R.119944 LAC Borley, W.C. and R.113310 LAC Jacobs, G.D., and R.92986 LAC Lawrence, J.W., ceased their flying training. Posted to K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario, effective 16-4-42, reporting 1-5-42. Granted fourteen days leave.

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17-4-42 1700 hrs R.124010 LAC Christensen, E.N.J, transferred from Victoria Hospital to Station Hospital after flying accident 5-4-42. Half day flying training lost in afternoon due to aerodrome being unserviceable. Classes in afternoon.

18-4-42 1700 hrs No flying training due to aerodrome being unserviceable. Ground school until 1500 hours in afternoon.

19-4-42 1700 hrs No flying on Sunday. Aerodrome unserviceable. No ground school. Students given 36 hour pass.

20-4-42 1700 hrs Flt/Lt. H.D. Martin (C5236) (Chaplain) proceeded on temporary duty to No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Flying training continued throughout the day. R.113014 LAC Goliss, R.A., S.O.S. effective 20-4-42, reporting 5-5-42 - flying training discontinued. Posted K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario.

21-4-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

22-4-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school as usual.

23-4-42 1700 hrs Sqn. Ldr. J.W. Roberts (C1734) visited this Unit from No. 2 Training Command in connection with accounts.

24-4-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school as usual.

25-4-42 1700 hrs No flying in forenoon - low ceiling. Flying in afternoon.

26-4-42 1700 hrs No flying - poor visibility. Sqn. Ldr. A.T. Chesson (C877) left on temporary duty to No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

27-4-42 1700 hrs No flying in the morning due to low ceiling and rain. Flying in afternoon. Tiger Moth aircraft #3846 crashed three miles North East of Round Lake, Sask., at 1445 hours, while in forced landing practice. The instructor R.62196 T/Sgt. Glass, E.R. and student R.109381 LAC MacFarlane, T.G. escaped uninjured.

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28-4-42 1700 hrs Full day flying. Ground school no usual. Sqn.Ldr. A.T. Chesson returned from Temporary Duty at Winnipeg, Manitoba.

29-4-42 1700 hrs Examinations for Course No. 51 commenced. Flying and ground school as usual for Course No. 53.

30-4-42 1700 hrs Flying and ground school for Junior course as usual. Flt/Lt. L. Dawson, and Flying Officer, G.L. Hobson visited the station on this date in connection with the quarterly trade testing. GB1451293 LAC Kay, J., GB1393582 LAC McNeill, H.W.J., and GB1320987 LAC West, C.V., SOS on posting to K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario, effective 30-4-42, reporting 3-5-42 - flying training discontinued.

PERSONNEL STRENGTH: - Staff: - Officers - 4 AIRCRAFT STRENGTH: Serviceable: 27

- Airmen - 9  
Trainees: - Airmen - 74  
TOTAL - 87  
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1-5-42 1700 hrs PERSONNEL STRENGTH: - Staff: - Officers - 4  
- Airmen - 9  
Trainees: - Airmen - 74  
TOTAL - 87  
Staff & Trainees  
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Flying and ground school for Course No. 53 as usual. Sqn.Ldr. J. Laurie, D.A.P.M. from No. 2 Training Command visited this Station in the usual course of duty.

2-5-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school as usual. R.134494 LAC Graffin, J., and GB1388639 LAG Sanders, E.V., SOS on posting to K.T.S., Trenton, Ont. Flying training discontinued.

3-5-42 1700 hrs No ground classes. Flying all day.

4-5-42 1700 hrs Course No. 53 completed final examinations. Flying training all day. F/O V.F. McDonald SOS on posting to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask.

5-5-42 1700 hrs Flying all day. No night flying. Courses 51 and 53 extended two weeks in each case. R.133758 LAC Ward, J., and GB1393490 LAC Heal, R.W., SOS on posting to K.T.S., Trenton, Ont. Flying training discontinued.

6-5-42 1700 hrs Flying training all day. GB1429277 LAC Brown, G.K., and GB1430135 LAC Clark, W.H., SOS on posting to K.T.S., Trenton, Ont.. Flying Training discontinued.

7-5-42 1700 hrs Flying washed out 1200 hrs. because of high winds. Resumed again from 1700 hrs. until 2000 hours.

8-5-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground classes as usual.

9-5-42 1700 hrs Flying training washed out at 1200 hours due to high winds. Ground classes as usual. GB1576552 LAC Price, G.R. became lost about 0730 hours while on solo exercise and

executed a forced landing at Shellbrook. No damage to aircraft and return flight made without further mishap.

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10-5-42 1700 hrs No ground school. Flying training washed out because of high winds.

11-5-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school all day. Summer schedule of training commenced this date. Group Captain D.W.F. Bonham-Carter arrived by air from Saskatoon at 1515 hours for a general inspection of this School and No. 6 A.O.S. R.121617 LAC Bronson, H.E., and R.132065 LAC DeRosenroll, J.A., SOS on posting to K.T.S., Trenton. Ontario. Flying training discontinued.

12-5-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground classes as usual. R.139732 A/Corporal Bird, D.R., disciplinarian "C", TOS on posting from Personnel Holding Unit, Fingal, Ontario.

13-5-42 1700 hrs Ground classes normal. Flying training washed out in morning due to smoke. Resumed at 1500 hours for half day.

14-5-42 1700 hrs Flying all day. Ground classes normal.

15-5-42 1700 hrs Flying all day. Ground classes as usual. Night flying for Course 51.

16-5-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground classes in the morning only. Flying and ground school washed out in the afternoon to permit as many of the students as possible to attend the monster Red Cross parade on the occasion of the Society's current drive for funds. The Commanding Officer, Sqn.Ldr. A.T. Chesson, and the Adjutant Flying Officer W. Lingings were invited to be present at the reviewing stand at the front of the City Hall, where Major Robertson of the P.A.V.s took the salute.

17-5-42 1700 hrs Flying training washed out due to smoke and high winds.

18-5-42 1700 hrs Flying training all day. Ground classes normal.

19-5-42 1700 hrs Flying all day. Ground classes normal. Night flying washed out at 2115 hours on account of heavy rain which lasted four hours.

20-5-42 1700 hrs Flying all day. Ground classes normal. Night flying four hours for senior class.

21-5-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school for junior course normal. Senior course completed its training, and at a luncheon given for the class, Sqn.Ldr. A.T. Chesson presented R.124192 LAC Veldboom, G.H. with a watch as a reward for his good work in heading the class. The luncheon was attended by the Supervisory Staff and the Manager of the Northern Saskatchewan Flying Training School, as well as members of the flying instructing staff.

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22-5-42 1700 hrs Twenty-two graduating students of Class No. 51 posted to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., and the remainder granted leave pending posting to another Unit on the 8th June. Flying training and ground school normal for Junior course.

23-5-42 1700 hrs Flying training in the forenoon only. Washed out in afternoon due to high winds. R.86341 LAC Kish, J., SOS on remustering to aircrew and posted to No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask.

24-5-42 1700 hrs No ground classes. Flying training washed out due to high winds.

25-5-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. One half day flying training lost because of high winds and poor visibility due to smoke. Twenty airmen from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., nine from No. 4 I.T.S., Edmonton, Alberta, and one from No. 5 I.T.S., Belleville, Ontario, taken on strength for Course No. 56, eff. 24-5-42.

26-5-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground classes normal.

27-5-42 1700 hrs Ground classes normal. Flying training in the morning only. Flying washed out at 1020 hours due to smoke and rain. Poor visibility.

28-5-42 1700 hrs No flying training due to heavy rain and poor visibility. Ground classes normal. Flt/Lt. H.J. Emery, A.M.P. Liaison Officer from A.F.H.Q. visited the Station this date in connection with his usual tour of duty.

29-5-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Night flying commenced 2315 hours, but washed out at 0115 hours due to ground fog.

30-5-42 1700 hrs Classes in forenoon only. Flying training all day.

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31-5-42 1700 hrs Sunday - no ground school, but flying training continued all day. There were no aircraft accidents during the month.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH:</u>	- Staff:	- Officers - 3	<u>AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:</u>	Serviceable: 31
		- Airmen - 9		Unserviceable. 0
	Trainees:	- Airmen - <u>67</u>		
		TOTAL - <u>79</u>		
	Staff & Trainees			
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11-6-42 1700 hrs Ground School normal. Flying "washed out" in the forenoon due to heavy rain and fog. Resumed again at 1500 hours.

12-6-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Night flying for Course No. 53. R.138174 LAC Bradshaw, M.W., and R.141605 LAC Englander, B.J. SOS on posting to K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario. Flying training discontinued.

13-6-42 1700 hrs Ground classes half day only. Flying training all day. Night flying for Course No. 53.

14-6-42 1700 hrs Flying training all day. No ground classes.

15-6-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

16-6-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Tiger Moth aircraft No. 4129 caught in a heavy gust of wind about 1030 hours when coming in for a landing. The student R.140921 LAC Antonyshyn, W.J. flying solo, escaped uninjured. Damage placed in "C" category. R.121185 LAC Edwards, B. Course No. 53 SOS on posting to K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario. Flying training discontinued. R.124414 LAC McInnes, W.K., R.138051 LAC Light, E.S., R.123623 LAC Parry, E.T., R.132442 LAC Stevenson, R.D. of Course No. 56 SOS on posting to K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario. Flying training discontinued.

17-6-42 1700 hrs Flying training in afternoon only. Flying "washed out" in forenoon due to rain. Ground classes normal. Course No. 53 completed its training and a banquet was held in the airmen's mess at 1900 hours. This function was honoured by the presence of Group Captain D.W.F. Bonham-Carter, who presented GB1319422 LAC Patient, J., with a watch as an award for heading the graduating class. Mr. McKercher, Manager of the Civilian Company, and Mr. Waite, Chief Flying Instructor, spoke briefly to those present. As a few of the students were leaving later in the evening, for their new stations, the short programme was brought to a close at 2045 hours, with the singing of the National Anthem.

18-6-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

19-6-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. Ten graduates of course No. 53 posted to No. 3 S.F.T.S., Calgary, and ten posted to No. 15 S.F.T.S., Claresholm, Alberta, and fifteen granted leave pending posting to an S.F.T.S. on 6th July. Tiger Moth aircraft No. 4026 was involved in a heavy landing at approximately 0825 hours resulting in a "C" category crash. The student R.121660 LAC Park, H. was uninjured.

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20-6-42 1700 hrs Ground school one half day only. Flying training washed out due to rain and wind.

21-6-42 1700 hrs No ground school. Flying training washed out because of rain and wind.

22-6-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying training washed out half day due to high winds.

23-6-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

24-6-42 1700 hrs Ground classes and flying training normal. Air Commodore A.E. Godfrey, M.C., A.F.C., Deputy Inspector General, and Squadron Leader F. Aldridge, visited this Station on a tour of Inspection. After reviewing the students, the former gave them an informal talk on the Air Force generally. During his tour of the Station, all buildings were inspected, and he also found time to give a short talk to all instructors and the maintenance staff.

25-6-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

26-6-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

27-6-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying training washed out all day due to heavy rains. R.142015 LAC Campbell, J.W., R.121622 LAC Norris, A.W., R.115909 LAC Rutledge, J.M., and R.139825 LAC Viens, H.G., SOS on posting to K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario. Flying training discontinued.

28-6-42 1700 hrs Flying training washed out all day because of heavy rain.

29-6-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying training washed out during daytime. Aerodrome unserviceable after heavy rains. Flying resumed at 1800 hours. Tiger Moth aircraft No. 3887 landed in a soft spot at 2050 hours and nosed over, resulting in a "C" category crash. Instructor R.71133 T/Sgt. McKay, W.A., and student R.134132 LAC Bonikowski, A., were uninjured.

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30-6-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH:</u>	- Staff:	- Officers - 3	<u>AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:</u>	Serviceable: 35
		- Airmen - 10		Unserviceable. 1
	Trainees:	- Airmen - 84		
		TOTAL - 97		
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14-7-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

15-7-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.91595 LAC Wood, K.R. SOS on posting to K.T.S., Trenton, Ontario. Flying training discontinued. R.115571 LAC Sorenson, B., SOS in consequence of K.R. (air) 392(10)(a). At a banquet held in the N.C.O.'s mess on the occasion of Course #56 graduating, R.143534 LAC McPhedran, A.A., was presented with a watch as an award for heading the class. The gathering was addressed by Sqn.Ldr. A.T. Chesson, Mr. L. Waite, the Chief Flying Instructor, and Mr. K.B. Dundas, the Chief Ground Instructor.

16-7-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

17-7-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.134010 LAC Bogucki, F.J., and R.132111 LAC Hepburn, E.J. SOS on posting to K.T.S., Trenton. Flying training discontinued. Course No. 58 provided an escort party and pall bearers for the funeral of R.158266 A.C.2 Buzik, Joseph, Paul, who was buried in Prince Albert. This airman was killed in an aircraft accident at MacDonald, Manitoba.

18-7-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying training nil due to the aerodrome being unserviceable. Twenty students were sent to Emma Lake for the weekend - Course No. 58. R.123728 LAC Dinney, W., and R.123767 LAC Samson, R.G. SOS on posting to KTS, Trenton, Ont. Flying Training discontinued.

19-7-42 1700 hrs No. flying training or GIS - Course No. 60 arrived in good order from Saskatoon.

20-7-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

21-7-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

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22-7-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. R.131936 LAC McGillivray, J.J., R.140888 LAC Russell, C.A., R.140807 LAC Ewanko, N., and R.135682 LAC Froman, B., SOS on posting to KTS, Trenton, Ontario.

23-7-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. Course No. 57 completed final examinations.

24-7-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying washed out due to smoke and haze.

25-7-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Morning flying washed out. Nineteen airmen of course No. 59 sent to Emma Lake for the weekend. Squadron Leader Emery visited this Unit from Headquarters at Ottawa.

26-7-42 1700 hrs No flying or ground school.

27-7-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Visibility poor due to smoke and haze - flying curtailed.

28-7-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. R.129680 LAC Murray, J.T. SOS on posting to KTS, Trenton, Ontario. R.121105 LAC Wilson, J. forced landed south-west of Kinistino, Saskatchewan, damaging aircraft No. 4112.

29-7-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.121161 LAC McNaughton, A.H. of Course No. 57 was awarded a bracelet and the L. Waite trophy for standing first in his course.

30-7-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. R.135944 LAC Hope, W.J. was involved in an aircraft accident six miles north-east of the aerodrome. The student was uninjured. Damage to the aircraft was placed as "C" category.

31-7-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying was washed out at 1000 hours due to rain. T/Sgt. Moon and R.124445 LAC Webber, R.C. were involved in an aircraft accident one mile east of Fenton, Saskatchewan. The occupants were uninjured. Aircraft damage was placed as "B" category. Wing Commander Stibbs from A.F.H.Q., and Mr. Calder of D.H. Aircraft visited this Unit regarding Tiger Moth spare parts. Fifteen graduates of Course No. 57 were posted to No. 10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Manitoba. The remaining four students were granted leave. 1530 Sgt. Barlow, J.A. SOS on posting to KTS, Trenton, Ontario. Flying training discontinued.

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31-7-42 1700 hrs

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH:</u> - Staff: - Officers - 3	<u>AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:</u> Serviceable: 37
- Airmen - 10	Unserviceable. 5
Trainees: - Airmen - <u>116</u>	
TOTAL - <u>129</u>	
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1-8-42 1700 hrs PERSONNEL STRENGTH: - Staff: - Officers - 3

- Airmen - 10  
Trainees: - Airmen - 114  
TOTAL - 127  
Staff & Trainees  
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Ground school normal. Flying washed out at 1100 hours due to a strong wind. Chief Supervisory Officer proceeded to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon on temporary duty as an Investigating Officer.

2-8-42 1700 hrs Flying washed out - poor visibility. Ground school nil.

3-8-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

4-8-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Course No. 58 commenced final examinations. Night flying for Course No. 59.

5-8-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. Course No. 58 night flying from Hagan field. R.135944 LAC Hope, W.J. SOS on posting to KTS, Trenton, Ontario. Flying training discontinued. Squadron Leader A.T. Chesson returned from temporary duty at No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask.

6-8-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. Course No. 59 night flying from Hagan field. R.140250 LAC Bell, E.E., R. 140515 LAC Braun, E.P., R.134236 LAC Jordan, E.M., R. 134041 LAC McCoy, E.P., and R.134405 LAC O'Connor, J.C.P. SOS on posting to KTS, Trenton, Ontario. Flying Training discontinued. Flt.Lt. Bryce, G.E., Trade Test Officer visited this Unit on the regular quarterly trade tests.

7-8-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. R.142087 LAC Ellis, H.C.D. SOS on posting to KTS Trenton, Ontario. Flying training discontinued.

8-8-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. R.140423 LAC Dancey, C.E. SOS on posting to KTS, Trenton, Ont. Flying Training discontinued.

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9-8-42 1700 hrs Flying training washed out due to poor visibility.

10-8-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

11-8-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. Course No. 58 completed night flying.

12-8-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying training washed out because of fog, rain, and smoke. R.132465 LAC Gibson, J. SOS on posting to KTS, Trenton, Ontario. Flying training

discontinued. Tiger Moth aircraft No. 4129 involved in accident one mile South of the aerodrome at 1950 hours. Student Pilot R.133938 LAC Dixon, T., flying solo, was seriously injured and was admitted to the Victoria Hospital, Prince Albert, Sask.

13-8-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying training washed out due to fog and rain. A banquet was held in the N.C.O.'s mess. R.124441 LAC Bray, R.S. was presented with a gold identification bracelet as an award for heading the graduating class, Course No. 58. R.143253 LAC Ozard, J.H., and R.147654 LAC Porten, A.M. posted KTS.

14-8-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Nineteen graduates of Course No. 58 posted to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., 4 to No. 15 S.F.T.S., Claresholm, Alberta, and 5 to No. 33 S.F.T.S., Carberry, Man. and 2 granted leave.

15-8-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying training washed out half day due to smoke and fog. Tiger Moth #3884 involved in fatal flying accident one mile west of Melfort, Sask, resulting in an "A" crash category. R.95367 T/Sgt. McLeod, D.R. uninjured. R.132073 LAC Cameron, P.G. killed. C.1398 Flt.Lt. Montgomery, F.A. appointed investigating officer.

16-8-42 1700 hrs No ground school. Flying training washed out due to smoke and fog. The students at this school provided an escort party and pallbearers at the funeral service for the late R.132073 LAC Cameron, P.G. The remains were shipped to his home at Shamrock, Sask., Sgt. MacDonald, I.C. acting as escort.

17-8-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.143434 LAC Gracey, W.H. SOS on posting to KTS, Trenton, Ont. Flying training discontinued.

18-8-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Course No. 59 commenced final examinations. Tiger Moth #4220 involved in crash landing, category "B". The student, R.150540 LAC Bennett, R.A.J. suffered only slight abrasions and was considered uninjured.

19-8-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

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20-8-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying training washed out for half a day on account of smoke.

21-8-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.130838 LAC Murphy, J.M. SOS on posting to KTS, Trenton, Ont. Flying training discontinued.

22-8-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

23-8-42 1700 hrs Flying training all day. No ground school.

24-8-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.



25-8-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.140157 LAC Irwin, G.J. SOS on posting to KTS, Trenton, Ont. Flying training discontinued.

26-8-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.128268 LAC Curtis, W.A. SOS on posting to KTS, Trenton, Ont. Flying training discontinued.

27-8-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying training washed out due to rain.

28-8-42 1700 hrs Course No. 59 graduated. Fifteen graduates posted to No. 7 S.F.T.S., Macleod, Alta, 5 graduates posted to No. 10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Man., and seven graduates granted leave. Two graduates of Course No. 58 posted No. 12 S.F.T.S., Brandon, Man. Above postings effective 29-8-42, reporting 30-8-42. Flying training and ground school normal.

29-8-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

30-8-42 1700 hrs No flying training or ground school. Forty-five airmen of Course No. 63 arrived from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask.

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31-8-42 1700 hrs R.81729 LAC McDougall, W.R. SOS on posting to KTS, Trenton, Ont., eff. 31-8-42 reporting 14-9-42. Flying training discontinued. Flying training and ground school normal

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH:</u> - Staff: - Officers - 3	<u>AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:</u> Serviceable: 48
- Airmen - 10	Unserviceable: Nil
Trainees: - Airmen - <u>161</u>	
TOTAL - <u>174</u>	
Staff & Trainees	
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1-9-42 1700 hrs	<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH:</u> - Staff: - Officers - 3
	- Airmen - 10
	Trainees: - Airmen - <u>160</u>
	TOTAL - <u>173</u>
	Staff & Trainees

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Ground school normal. Flying hampered by fog and high winds.

2-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

3-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. R.105515 Sgt. McFarlane, M., instructor, and R.131824 LAC Anderson, L.G., student, involved in an aircraft accident during night flying, resulting in a "B" crash. Instructor McFarlane was uninjured, LAC Anderson suffered a fractured arm.

4-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

5-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

6-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school nil. Flying in morning only.

7-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

8-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

9-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying restricted to dual only due to high winds.

10-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying restricted by high winds.

11-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Solo flying restricted by high winds.

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12-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. Sixteen U.T. Pilots (R.A.F.), Course No. 64, taken on strength on posting from No. 31 P.D. R.A.F., Moncton, N.B. C.4170 Flt.Lt. W.E. Blair, C.12520 F/O J.H. Stapleton, C.7249 F/O R.G. Bowren, TOS on posting from No. 6 A.O.S., Prince Albert. C.12106 Hon. Flt.Lt. S.J. Raczynsky, TOS as part-time Roman Catholic chaplain from No. 6 A.O.S. R.79981 A/Sgt(P) Jones, R.T., R.71143 Cpl. Davies, W.D., R.147799 Cpl. Townsend, J.E., R.114693 Cpl. McLurg, W., R.93823 LAC Alderman, J.H., R.91781 LAC Hanna, W.I., R.146500 LAC McFarlane, L.F., R.131577 A.C.1 Bates, W.A., R.80383 Cpl. Aulis, G.E., R.61846 LAC Rambaut, S.R., R.94912 A.C.1 Larson, L.O., and R.100193 A.C.1 Smith, J.E., TOS on posting; from No. 6 A.O.S., Prince Albert.

13-9-42 1700 hrs Flying training normal. Thirty potential pilots TOS on posting from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask.

14-9-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

15-9-42 1700 hrs Flying training normal. Ground school as usual.

16-9-42 1700 hrs Wing Commander Mitchell and Flt.Lt. R.W. Spear, of No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg, reported in by air on Temporary Duty. Flying training and ground school normal.

17-9-42 1700 hrs Wing Commander Mitchell departed by air for Winnipeg at 1300 hours. Flying training and ground school normal. Messrs. Apedaile, Seymour and Morrison (financial advisers to Civilian Companies) arrived by Anson at 2100 hours.

18-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. Sqn, Ldr. Land and Sqn.Ldr. Ritchie visited this Unit, being on Temporary Duty at the disbanding of No. 6 A.O.S., Prince Albert.

19-9-42 1700 hrs Messrs. Apedaile, Seymour and Morrison, and Flt.Lt. Spear left for Winnipeg by air. Aircraft No. 5102 involved in flying accident. R.149903 LAC Ivancic, S., student pilot, was only slightly injured. Sqn. Ldr. A.T. Chesson left for Vulcan, Alberta, to superintend ferrying of Tiger Moths.

20-9-42 1700 hrs Flying washed out by rain. No ground school.

21-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying training held back by rain and high winds.

22-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying training washed out by rain. Sqn.Ldr. A.T. Chesson returned by air from Vulcan, Alberta.

23-9-42 1700 hrs Captain Lampel (C.D.C.) reported in for duty from No. 38 S.F.T.S. Estevan, Sask., to replace Captain Day who is posted to No. 7 A.O.S., Portage la Prairie, Manitoba.

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24-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. Captain Day (C.D.C.) and staff left for Portage la Prairie.

25-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

26-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. Wing Commander Pleasance of Engineer Staff visited this Unit on an inspection.

27-9-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

28-9-42 1700 hrs Flt.Lt. Putnam, Navigation Branch No. 2 Training Command, visited the station. Flying training and ground school normal.

29-9-42 1700 hrs Flt.Lt. Putnam, Navigation Branch, left for No. 35 E.F.T.S., Neepawa, Manitoba by air. Flying Officer R.G. Bowron, Administrative Officer left on Temporary Duty at



7-10-42 1700 hrs Squadron Leader H. McFarlane, Command Chaplain, visited this station, arriving by air. Flying training and ground school normal.

8-10-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Flight Lieutenant Cooil (W & B) reported in from No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg, by Crane aircraft, piloted by Flying Officer Marshal. Sqn.Ldr. McFarlane departed by rail for No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

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9-10-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Course No. 62 graduates - thirty airman to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., 10 men to No. 10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Manitoba, and two to No. 7 S.F.T.S., Macleod, Alta. Flight Lieutenant Cooil and Flying Officer Marshall left by Crane aircraft for Winnipeg, Manitoba.

10-10-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. A team of four airmen competed against an Army team in a Quiz contest broadcast over C.K.B.I., and succeeded in defeating the Army by one point.

11-10-42 1700 hrs Flying training normal. No ground school. Course No. 66 reported in for training.

12-10-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Search was instituted for an Oxford aircraft from No. 35 S.F.T.S., North Battleford, Sask., which was reported lost North of Big River, Sask. Twenty Crane aircraft arrived from Saskatoon to participate.

13-10-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Search continued for the missing aircraft.

14-10-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

15-10-42 1700 hrs Sixteen Crane aircraft arrived to continue search for missing Oxford. Word was received that the airmen have walked from the crash and were being transported to Big River, and then on to this Unit.

16-10-42 1700 hrs Major Adamson and Major Ford of 122 C.A.(B) T.C., Prince Albert visited the Station regarding Victory Loan Parade for October 17th. Flying and ground school normal.

17-10-42 1700 hrs Ground school hold in forenoon only. Flying normal. Courses 63 and 65 under command of Flying Officer Bowron paraded as a Unit in the Victory Loan Parade in Prince Albert. Flying Officer Neilly represented the Station on the receiving stand, while Squadron Leader Chesson lead and supervised aircraft formation flying overhead October 18<sup>th</sup>.

18-10-42 1700 hrs No ground school. Flying training normal.

19-10-42 1700 hrs Sqn.Ldr. Emery of A.F.H.Q. visited the Station on personnel matters, arriving and departing by air. Ground school and flying training normal.

20-10-42 1700 hrs Flying washed out by high winds. Ground school normal.

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21-10-42 1700 hrs Sqn.Ldr. Bellamy of No. 4 Training Command, Calgary, Alberta, reported in enroute to Big River, Sask., to salvage Oxford aircraft forced down on October 12th.

22-10-42 1700 hrs Flying held up until 1500 hours by rain squalls and a low ceiling. Ground school normal. Graduation dinner held for Course No. 63 at 1400 hours.

23-10-42 1700 hrs Flying held up by snow squalls, the first real threat of winter. Ground school doubled up in the forenoon on account of no flying. Course No. 63 graduated to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, and No. 7 S.F.T.S., Macleod, Alberta.

24-10-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Party held in Officer's Mess at 2200 hours.

25-10-42 1700 hrs Course No. 67 reported in from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask to commence training. No ground school. Flying training normal. Aircraft No. 5081 piloted by R.149453 LAC Chapman, H.E.L., and aircraft No. 4963 piloted by R.157623 LAC Burns, L.R.A., collided in mid-air. LAC Chapman bailed out at 3,000 feet, and landed safely, his aircraft crashing and burning. LAC Burns stayed with his machine and was killed. Twenty-five airmen under the command of Flying Officer, R.G. Bowron paraded in Prince Albert with the Naval contingent from Saskatoon.

26-10-42 1700 hrs Sqn.Ldr. W.B. Millar of No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, reported in to act as Investigating Officer re the crash of October 25th. Ground school and flying training normal.

27-10-42 1700 hrs Sqn.Ldr. Dyte of A.F.H.Q. and Flying Officer McWhirter of No. 2 Training Command, Drill and F.T. Officer, visited the station on inspection, departing by rail at 1730 hours.

28-10-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. Sqn.Ldr. Millar departed by air at 1600 hours, having completed the investigation. Flight Lieutenant Warren, Education Officer at No. 2 Training Command reported in.

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29-10-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. Flt.Lt. Warren departed by rail for Winnipeg at 1700 hours.

30-10-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. Sqn.Ldr. Paunder and Flt.Lt. Power of No. 1 C.N.S., Rivers Manitoba, reported in on inspection as navigation flight, arriving by rail at 1205 hours.



Saskatoon and No. 10 S.F.T.S. Dauphin, Manitoba.

8-11-42 1700 hrs Sqn.Ldr. Chesson departed by air for Regina enroute to No. 2 Training Command on Temporary Duty. Course No. 68 reported in from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask.

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9-11-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. Flt.Lt. W.E. Blair returned by rail from No. 5 B. & G. School, Dafoe.

10-11-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

11-11-42 1700 hrs A flight of forty-two (42) airman, commanded by Flying Officer R.G. Bowron, took part in the Remembrance Day parade in Prince Albert. Sqn.Ldr. Chesson returned from Temporary Duty at No. 2 Training Command.

12-11-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

13-11-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

14-11-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

15-11-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. No. 2 Visiting Flight departed by air for No. 41 S.F.T.S., Weyburn, Sask.

16-11-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying restricted by heavy snow. Aircraft put on skis for instruction.

17-11-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying restricted to dual flying in the afternoon on account of heavy snow.

18-11-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying restricted by snow.

19-11-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Graduation Banquet was held for Course No. 65 in the L.A.C.'s Mess.

20-11-42 1700 hrs Course No. 65 graduated to No. 10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Man., No. 7 S.F.T.S., Macleod, Alberta, and No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask. Flying training and ground school normal.

21-11-42 1700 hrs Ground school was held in the forenoon only. Flying training normal.

22-11-42 1700 hrs Course No. 69 (40) airmen, arrived from No. 7 I.T.S. to start their flying course. No ground school. Flying training as usual.

23-11-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. The weather is extremely cold with



below zero temperatures.

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24-11-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal. Cold weather still hanging on.

25-11-42 1700 hrs Ground school and all flying training normal.

26-11-42 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying restricted dual to snow flurries. Flying Officer McWhirter, Command P.T. Officer, visited the school.

27-11-42 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training as usual.

28-11-42 1700 hrs Ground school held in forenoon only. Pay Parade was held at 1300 hours, using the hangar converted to the new drill hall. The weather closed in, restricting night flying.

29-11-42 1700 hrs Compulsory Church Parades held at 0730 hours for Roman Catholic personnel in the old G.I.S. Building, and for Protestant Personnel in the recreation room. Flying was carried on as usual.

34-11-42 1700 hrs Word was received that effective December 1st, all flying instructors were recalled to the Service. Flying training and ground school normal.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u> :- Staff:- Officers- 6	<u>AIRCRAFT STRENGTH</u> : Serviceable: 72
- Airmen - 23	Unserviceable: NIL
Trainees: - R.C.A.F. - <u>163</u>	
- TOTAL - <u>194</u>	
Staff & Trainees	
RCAF	<u>AIRCRAFT</u> - Tiger Moth
<u>TOTAL FLYING FOR NOVEMBER</u> : - 5661:15 hours.	

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Chief Supervisory Officer, RCAF.,  
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1-12-42 700 hrs <u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u> : - Staff: - Officers - 8
- Airmen - 63
Trainees: - Airmen - <u>163</u>
TOTAL - <u>234</u>
Staff & Trainees
RCAF

All flying instructors on indefinite leave without pay were recalled to the Service. Flying and ground school normal.

2-12-42 1700 hrs Sergeants Baker, Porter, and Pettigrew received their commissions as Pilot Officers (General List). Flying training and ground school normal.

3-12-42 1700 hrs Ground instruction and flying training normal.

4-12-42 1700 hrs Course No. 66 graduated to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, and No. 10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Manitoba. This was a very good course, with a very excellent showing both in flying and ground school, and a low wastage percentage. Flt.Lt. H.C. Anderson (Public Relations Officer) reported in on temporary duty.

5-12-42 1700 hrs Ground school in operation all day, owing to Christmas leaves coming up. Flying training normal.

6-12-42 1700 hrs Church parades were held at 0730 hours for R.C.'s and Protestants. Course No. 70 (40 airmen) reported in from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, to commence flying training. Flt.Lt. Blair departed by rail on temporary duty at No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg.

7-12-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. A forced landing resulted in a crash. Pilot Officer Pettigrew and LAC Mein were uninjured, and the aircraft slightly damaged.

8-12-42 1700 hrs Ground instruction and flying training normal. Sergeant P.R. English received his commission as Pilot Officer (General List).

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9-12-42 1700 hrs Flying washed out by snow storm and low ceiling. Ground school normal.

10-12-42 1700 hrs Flt.Lt. Blair returned from temporary duty at No. 2 Training Command by rail. A crash occurred when LAC Reynolds attempted a forced landing. The pilot was uninjured, and the aircraft only slightly damaged. Flying training and ground school normal.

11-12-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

12-12-42 1700 hrs Flying training normal. Ground school held in morning only.

13-12-42 1700 hrs Church parades at 0730 for both R.C.'s and Protestants. Flying training normal.

14-12-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

15-12-42 1700 hrs The paymaster arrived by air to hold pay parade. Sqn.Ldr. Bevan (Accts.) of No. 2 Training Command, reported in to examine non-public funds. A crash occurred when a forced landing was attempted in deep snow. Pilot Officer Porter and LAC Lawrence were slightly injured and the aircraft slightly damaged. Air Vice Marshal Shearer, A.D.C., Air Officer Commanding and Sqn.Ldr. McLellan visited the Station, arriving by air 1240 hours, and departing 1520 hours.

16-12-42 1700 hrs All flying was washed out by snow and high winds. Ground school doubled up. Sqn.Ldr. Bevan left by rail at 1730 hours, December 16.

17-12-42 1700 hrs Flying and ground school normal.

18-12-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Course No. 67 graduated to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, and No. 10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Manitoba.

19-12-42 1700 hrs Escort and bearer parties under command of Flying Officer Bowron were provided for the funeral of LAC Habkirk, R.E. of No. 2 B & G School, Mossbank, who was killed in a crash at Lumsden, Sask., December 14. Flying Training and ground school normal.

20-12-42 1700 hrs The paymaster arrived by air to hold pay parade. Flying Officer Burns (Equipment) of No. 2 Training Command reported in to check the condition of Equipment Accounting. Flying washed out at 1530 hours on account of snow and high winds.

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21-12-42 1700 hrs Flying washed out on account of snow and high winds. Pilot Officer Makinson reported in as flying instructor (from No. 3 FIS, Arnprior, Ontario).

22-12-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. A dinner for the entire R.C.A.F. personnel was given by the Auxilliary Services in the other ranks mess hall. A Christmas Party was held in the Officers' Mess 2100 hours.

23-12-42 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Courses No. 69 and 71 left at 1700 hours for Christmas Leave.

24-12-42 1700 hrs Ground school staff left on Christmas leave. Courses No. 66 and 70 doing extensive flying to make up time lost by weather.

25-12-42 1700 hrs Christmas Day. No flying. Duty watch only on the Station on duty. Several students were invited out to private homes to enjoy the Christmas festivities.

26-12-42 1700 hrs Flying training normal.



New Year's Day. No flying or ground school.

Jan.2/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

Jan.3/43 1700 hrs Church parade for R.C.'s at 0730 hours. No Protestant parade due to absence on leave of the Padre, H/Flt.Lt. H.D. Martin. Flying restricted to day flying by the weather.

Jan.4/43 1700 hrs Ground school and flying training normal.

Jan.5/43 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying restricted by snow and wind.

Jan.6/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

Jan.7/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

Jan.8/43 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying restricted by wind and drifting, snow.

Jan.9/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

Jan.10/43 1700 hrs No ground school. Flying restricted due to high winds, low temperature, and drifting. Course No. 72 reported in from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, to commence training. Church parade for R.C.'s only.

Jan.11/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Weather very cold.

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Jan.12/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. An accident occurred when aircraft 4984 with Pilot Officer J.C. Henry at the controls taxied into aircraft 5050, damaging the latter. A civilian employed in the apron was hurt.

Jan.13/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Weather still very cold.

Jan.14/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Flying restricted in the afternoon and evening due to winds and drifting snow. Flying Officer Munro and Pilot Officer Hall, P.T. and D Officers from No. 2 Training Command, reported in by air at 1120 hours, departing by rail at 1730 hours.

Jan.15/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Group Captain Best of No. 4 Training Command, arrived by Harvard aircraft at 1145 hours. Flight Lieutenant Sharpe, Investigating Officer, No. 2 Training Command, reported in by rail at 1215 hours to investigate accident to aircraft 5050. Weather still cold.

Jan.16/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Group Captain Best departed by

Harvard aircraft for Calgary at 1000 hours, accompanied by Squadron Leader Chesson. No night flying (43° below zero F). Flight Lieutenant Sharpe departed by rail at 1730 hours.

Jan.17/43 1700 hrs No ground school. Flying training in morning normal restricted in afternoon, and washed out at night by extreme cold and winds.

Jan.18/43 1700 hrs All flying washed out by extreme cold and high wind. Ground school normal.

Jan.19/43 1700 hrs Extremely cold - 44° below zero (F) at 0900 hours. Flying training and ground school normal.

Jan.20/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

Jan.21/43 1700 hrs Squadron Leader R.G. McCullough, and Flight Lieutenant J.W. Baldock of No. 4 S.F.T.S., and W.O.2 Bell of No. 2 T.C. reported in on a Board of Officers to take over additional water supply. Flying training and ground school normal.

Jan.22/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Sergeants R.J. Hamilton and C.L. Rispler received word of appointment as Pilot Officers and moved into the mess.

Jan.23/43 1700 hrs No ground school. Flying training normal in the forenoon, but washed out in afternoon and evening due to severe cold and wind. Course No. 69 graduated to No. 10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, and No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, departing by rail at 0945 hours.

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Jan.24/43 1700 hrs No ground school, flying training normal except at night, when high winds prevented flying. Course 73 (40 airmen) reported in at 1230 hours from No. 7 I.T.S. to commence flying training.

Jan.25/43 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying discontinued at 1130 hours due to severe cold and high winds.

Jan.26/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Flying instructors who had not had Service School training, commenced writing ground school exams. Pilot Officer Bussard reported in from No. 3 F.I.S., Arnprior, to commence duties as a flying instructor.

Jan.27/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Night flying extended to two shifts, 1800 to 2359 hours, and 0001 to 0600 hours.

Jan.28/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Sqn.Ldr. Chesson departed by air for Dafoe, enroute to No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg. Night flying still extended.

Jan.29/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.



(No. 4 S.F.T.S.), Flying Officer A.A. Lauder (No. 10 S.F.T.S.), Flying Officer L.M. Tillotson (No. 10 S.F.T.S.), Flying Officer W.A. Qua (No. 11 S.F.T.S.), Flying Officer R.C. Barber (No. 11 S.F.T.S.), and Flying Officer D.H. Burr (No. 11 S.F.T.S.), reported in as Flight Commanders. Flying training and ground school normal. Squadron Leader Newsome, Flight Lieutenant Cooke, Flight Lieutenant Magginson, Flying Officer McLaws (defending officer) reported in on temporary duty to hold Court Martial.

5 Feb./43 1700 hrs Court Martial on Sergeant Wark, H.D. on two charges convened at 0915 hours, adjourning at 1600 hours. Flying training and ground school normal.

6 Feb./43 1700 hrs No ground school. Flying training normal. Course No. 70 graduated to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, and No. 10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin.

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7 Feb./43 1700 hrs Church parade for R.C.'s at 0730 hours. No ground school. Flying training as usual. Course No. 74 reported in From No. 7 I.T.S. to assume training.

8 Feb./43 1700 hrs Re/Selection Board of Squadron Leader Chesson, Flight Lieutenant Moffatt, and Flying Officer Neilly sat to consider ceased training cases. Flying cancelled in afternoon due to high wind and now.

9 Feb./43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

10 Feb./43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

11 Feb./43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Air Commodore Paxton (A.F.H.Q.), Director of Training, Group-Captain Bonham-Carter, S.A.S.O. No. 2 Training Command, visited the School and addressed the officers.

12 Feb./43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

13 Feb./43 1700 hrs Flying restricted by snow. Ground school, operating on new schedule, held classes all day.

14 Feb./43 1700 hrs Flying training normal. No ground school. Church Parade for R.C.'s at 0730 hours. Pilot Officer Wicks reported in From No. 3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ontario, as a flying instructor.

15 Feb./43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground instruction as usual.

16 Feb./43 1700 hrs All flying training and ground school normal.

17 Feb./43 1700 hrs Re-Selection Board of Squadron Leader Chesson, Flying Officer Hind, and Flying Officer Neilly sat to consider the cases of ceased trainees. Flying training and ground







11 Mar/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

12 Mar/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

13 Mar/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Flying accident involving Pilot Officer English and Pilot Officer Wallis, and two students. All uninjured.

14 Mar/43 1700 hrs Officers' Mess burned in early morning fire. No flying training or ground school.

15 Mar/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

16 Mar/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal in morning. Flying washed out in afternoon due to high winds.

17 Mar/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.50868 A/W.O. I Hicks. H.C., appointed to Pilot Officer (GL) (SR), effective October 21st, 1942.

18 Mar/43 1700 hrs Pilot Officer H.F. Hall, Auxiliary Services, No. 2 T.C., reported in from No. 23 E.F.T.S., Davidson, Saskatchewan. Flight Lieutenant D. Stewart (M.O.) visited from Regina. Flying training and ground school normal.

19 Mar/43 1700 hrs Flight Lieutenant J.F. Gaschler, Visiting Armament Flight, reported in along with Pilot Officer W.H. Waddell, No. 2 T.C., from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Flying training and ground school normal. Course No. 73 graduated - 26 airmen posted to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

20 Mar/43 1700 hrs Flight Lieutenant J.F. Gaschler, and Pilot Officer W.H. Waddell, Visiting Armament Flight, departed at 1730 hours to No. 23 E.F.T.S., Davidson, Saskatchewan. Flight Lieutenant L.M. Ness proceeded on Temporary Duty to No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg, for conference of Administrative Officers on March 22nd, 1943. Flying training and ground school normal.

21 Mar/43 1700 hrs No flying training or ground school. Sixty (60) trainees - Course No. 77 - reported in from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., and No. 4 I.T.S., Edmonton, Alberta, to commence training.

22 Mar/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

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23 Mar/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

24 Mar/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.



Flying training and ground school normal.

2 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

3 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Course No. 74 graduated - 26 trainees posted to No. 4 S.F.T.S. Saskatoon. R.105268 Sergeant Unwin, D.P.S. (Pilot Special Group) discharged from R.C.A.F. Special Reserve, under K.R. (Air)392(13). Pilot Officers C.A. Rowland and E.A. Kidd TOS on posting from No. 3 F.I.S. Arnprior, Ontario. Flying Officer W.J. Kind appointed to the rank of Acting Flight Lieutenant. Pilot Officer D.L. Baker appointed to the rank of Acting Flying Officer.

4 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training in morning only. Sixty-five trainees TOS on posting from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon to commence training as course No.78.

5 Apr/43 1700 hrs Aerodrome unserviceable for heavy aircraft. Ground school normal.

6 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

7 Apr/43 1700 hrs Ground school normal. Flying training ceased at 1500 hours due to aerodrome being unserviceable. R.51772 Flight Sergeant F.S. Rousseau and four L.A.C.'s reported in on Temporary Duty from No. 8 Repair Depot, Winnipeg to put reserve aircraft in long term storage.

8 Apr/43 1700 hrs No flying - aerodrome unserviceable. Ground school normal. Eight airmen ceased training, and posted to No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon, Manitoba. W.O.1 Hicks, H.C. appointed to the rank of Pilot Officer (SR) (GL) effective October 21<sup>st</sup>, 1942. W.O.1 Goodall, L. and W.O.2 Crest, R.N. appointed Pilot Officers (SR) (GL)

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8 Apr/43 1700 hrs effective 14th November, 1942. R.88608 LAC Hamilton, C. - Clerk Steno "A" TOS on posting from No. 1 C.N.S., Rivers. R.154327 LAC Roche, W.P.G. - Clerk Steno. "B" TOS on posting from No. 2 I.T.S., Regina, for employment in the Station Hospital.

9 Apr/43 1700 hrs No flying - aerodrome unserviceable due to spring thaw. Ground school normal. R.98910 W.O.2 Carter, A.J.E, appointed to rank of Pilot Officer (GL)(SR), effective November 14, 1942.

10 Apr/43 1700 hrs No flying training. Ground school normal in morning. R.105515 W.O.2 McFarlane, H. appointed to rank of Pilot Officer (GL)(SR) effective November 14th, 1942. R.95367 W.O.2 McLeod, D.R. appointed to rank of Pilot Officer (GL)(SR) effective November 22nd, 1942, R.102113 W.O.2 McLeod, J.N, appointed to rank of Pilot Officer (GL)(SR) effective November 21st, 1942. Station personnel paraded to Strand Theatre, Prince Albert, to see special showing of motion picture "Captains of the Clouds", accompanied by the Prince

Albert Air Cadets.

11 Apr/43 1700 hrs Church Parades for Roman Catholic and Protestant personnel held in morning. No flying training or ground school.

12 Apr/43 1700 hrs No flying training due to high winds. Ground school classes doubled. Flight Lieutenant M.H. Moffatt (Medical Officer) reported in on Temporary Duty to gain experience on flying school. Flying Officer J.H. Stapleton proceeded on Temporary Duty to No. 7 I.T.S. as a replacement. R.204420 A.C.2 Guay, J.R., and R.207820 A.C.2 Turcotte, J.G.O. (Hospital Assistants) TOS on posting from Composite Training School, Trenton, Ontario, effective April 9th, 1943. Flight Lieutenant J.A. Whyte (C9021), No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg, visited this Unit. Wing Commander McCann, Flight Lieutenant Walker, and Flight Lieutenant Owen also visited.

13 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

14 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.95478 W.O.2 Clarke, H.M. appointed to Rank of Pilot Officer (GL) (SR) effective March 18, 1943. W.O.1 Coombes, J.S. appointed to rank of Pilot Officer (GL)(SR), effective 2nd October, 1942. R.61079 W.O.1 Langdon, D.R. appointed to rank of Pilot Officer (GL)(SR) effective 26 October, 1942. W.O.2 McNabb, F.S. appointed to rank of Pilot Officer (GL)(SR) effective 22nd November, 1942. H/Squadron Leader L.A. Costello (C1931) Command Chaplain (RC) visited this Unit. Squadron Leader F.R.G. McCall DSO MC DFC (ADMIN) and Flying Officer R.C. Mitchell reported in on Temporary duty.

15 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Reselection Board sat to consider ceased training cases. Fifteen ceased trainees posted No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon.

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16 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Course No. 75 graduated - 28 graduates posted to No. 7 SFTS, Macleod, Alberta, and 11 graduates posted to No. 10 SFTS, Dauphin, Manitoba.

17 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

18 Apr/43 1700 hrs Fifty-nine student pilots TOS from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, and ten R.A.F. student pilots TOS from No. 31 P.D., Moncton, N.B., to begin training as pilots as Course No. 79 at this Unit. No flying training due to high winds. No ground school.

19 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training and Ground school normal.

20 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. 1521 W.O.1 Beyers, L. (Eq. Asst. "A") reported in on Temporary Duty from No. 2 T.C., Winnipeg.

21 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.57948 W.O.2 Burnett, G.R. SOS on posting to No. 11 S.F.T.S., Yorkton. R.116141 A/F.S. Morris, G. (Discip."C") TOS on posting from No. 5 B & G School, Dafoe as Station Disciplinarian.

22 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Squadron Leader H. MacFarlane (Command Chaplain (P)) visited this Unit.

23 Apr/43 1700 hrs 9600 Sergeant McLeod, H.B., Pilot Special Group appointed to rank of Flight Sergeant effective 1st April, 1943. A/Captain R.E. Partridge (C.D.C.), returned from Temporary Duty at Three Rivers, Quebec. Flight Lieutenant L.M. Ness and Sergeant M.W. Hamilton proceeded on Temporary Duty to Melfort, Sask., to take charge of funeral of Sergeant D. MacGillivray, No. 32 O.T.U. W.O.1 Beyers, L. ceases to be on Temporary Duty. Flying training and ground school normal.

24 Apr/43 1700 hrs Unit Reselection Board sat to consider ceased training cases. Eleven airman whose flying training has been ceased posted to No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon. Personnel of No. 1 Squadron paraded in the city in connection with the fourth Victory Loan Campaign. Flying training and ground school normal.

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25 Apr/43 1700 hrs No flying training. Roman Catholic church parade at Cathedral in the City of Prince Albert, in charge of Pilot Officer L.G. Bussard. Protestant Church Parade held on station.

26 Apr/43 1700 hrs W.O.1 Clemens, J.D. (Electrician "A") reported in from No. 2 T.C. New schedule of flying training instituted - First Shift from 0700 hrs to 1230 hours, and Second Shift from 1430 hours to 2000 hours. Fourth Victory Loan Campaign opened auspiciously.

27 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

28 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

29 Apr/43 1700 hrs Flight Lieutenant Whillans ceased to be on Temporary Duty, and returned to No. 1 C.I.U., Toronto. Flying training and ground school normal. Course No. 76 held graduation banquet, and LAC Pattysen awarded General Proficiency Trophy. Pte. Montford, R.D. H.53105 - Dental Orderly, reported in from No. 7 I.T.S.

30 Apr/43 1700 hrs Unit Reselection Board sat to consider ceased training cases. Nine ceased trainees posted to No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon, and No. 1 "M" Depot, Toronto. Flying training and ground school normal.

PERSONNEL STRENGTH: - Staff: - Officers - 46 AIRCRAFT STRENGTH: Serviceable: 88  
- Airmen - 58 Unserviceable. 1  
Trainees: - R.C.A.F. - 213





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5 May/43 1700 hrs Expected arrival of D.I.G. did not materialize. Newov date of visit set at May 17th. High winds all day-no flying. Ground school normal. Mr. F.R. Mahaffy #35 S.F.T.S., visited Unit in connection with meteorological section.

6 May/43 1700 hrs R.93528 W.O.2 Boutwell, D.C. (Pilot Sp. Group), discharged Deer Lodge Hospital, Winnipeg. Granted three weeks sick leave. R.133895 Sgt. Hayes, M.B., and R.144096 Sgt. Whitney, E.J. (Pilots Sp. Group) appointed to ranks of Acting Flight Sergeants (Paid), affective this date. Flying training and ground school normal.

7 May/43 1700 hrs R.162271 Flight Sergeant Dance, A.N., and R.217263 Sgt. Miller, W.O., and six L.A.C.'s reported in on Temporary Duty to equip station with new fire alarm system. C.6889 Flying Officer Munroe, No. 2 T.C., visited Unit in connection with P.T. and Drill. Flying training and ground school normal.

8 May/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.85089 LAC Hamilton, C.F. (A.E.M. "A"), ceased trainee who has been remustered back to basic trade, posted to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask.

9 May/43 1700 hrs Station opened for inspection by public. Approximately 4,000 persons visited the school and saw display of various phases of training. Mayor, directors, Commanding Officer, and Manager spoke briefly. Parade on parade ground, followed by visit to hangars, link rooms, G.I.S., LAC's mess, barrack blocks, etc. High winds prevented flying. R.160756 Corporal Paton, W. (Armourer Guns (Instr) "A") TOS from RCAF Station, Rockcliffe, Ont., effective this date.

10 May/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. C2282 Plight Lieutenant G.E. Bryce, and C.20944 Flying Officer T.L. Byrne from No. 2 Training Command, visited Unit to trade test personnel.

11 May/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.146500 LAC McFarlane, L.F. (Hosp. Assistant "B") SOS on posting to No. 1 "Y" Depot, Halifax, for ultimate posting to RCAF Station, Gander, Newfoundland, eff. May 24/43, rep. May 27/43. Granted leave to May 23/43.

12 May/43 1700 hrs Unit Reselection Board sat to consider the cases of seventeen ceased training students. Six were reselected as Air Bombers Std., six reselected as Navigators Std., four reselected as Air Gunners Std., and one remustered to his basic trade. A.V.M. A.A. Cuffe, D.I.G., arrived by air for Station inspection, accompanied by Wing Commander B.W. Aronson, Flying Officer Alexander, and Flying Officer Carson. Wing Commander A.G. Goulding flew in with Squadron Leader W.T. Wood to join D.I.G. Inspection carried out and all found in satisfactory condition. DIG pleased with station parade. Flying Officer Kerr, a Comm. and Educational Officer, reported in by air, and left the same day. D.I.G.'s party left by air the same day.

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13 May/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.154093 Sergeant Stanley, C.C. (Pilot Sp, Group), TOS on posting from No. 3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ontario. C2576 Squadron Leader Cummings, A.P.M., No. 2 T.C., reported in on Temporary Duty. He was flown in by C972 Flight Lieutenant Iverson, from Yorkton. Both left the same day.

14 May/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

15 May/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. Course No. 77 graduated. Thirty airmen posted to No. 7 S.F.T.S. , Macleod, Alta, ten posted to No. 10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Man. Adjusted intake was sixty-five pupils. Percentage wastage was 43%. Average course mark for flying 68.6%, for G.I.S.,-75.6%. Course lost twelve days due to inclement weather.

16 May/43 1700 hrs Airmen for course No. 81 reported in. Forty-five from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, five from No. 4 I.T.S., Edmonton, and 20 RAF from No. 31 P.D., Moncton, N.B. No flying training.

17 May/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. C877 Squadron Leader A.T. Chesson granted fourteen days semi-annual leave.

18 May/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.123213 Corporal Starr, E.A. (Armourer Guns(Inst.)"A") SOS on posting to RCAF Station, Mountain View, Ontario.

19 May/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

20 May/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. H53025 Sergeant Reid, J. (C.D.C.), granted leave from May 31st/43 to 13th June/43 (14 days).

21 May/43 1700 hrs J9663 Flight Lieutenant A.R. Ross returned from Temporary duty at No. 2 T.C. Headquarters, Winnipeg, after attending conference of Education Officers. Flying training and ground school normal.

22 May/43 1700 hrs R128298 Sgt. Halpenny, E.L., granted spring farm leave without pay (35 days). 2440 Sgt. Sacouman, R. (A.E.M. "A"), reported in on temporary duty from No. 2 T.C., visiting Engineering Department.

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23 May/43 1700 hrs No flying training - rained all day. Ground school normal. J.24597 Pilot Officer J.I. Hughes (GL)(SR) TOS on posting from No. 3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ontario.

24 May/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

25 May/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.151225 Corporal Stewart,

H.C. (Armourer Guns(Instr)"A") TOS on posting from RCAF Station, Rockcliffe, Ontario. R.126557 Sergeant McCarthy, W.E., and R.145438 Sergeant Wiley, K.J., reported in on Temporary Duty from No. 35 E.F.T.S. (RAF) Neepawa, Man. (Link Instructors "A").

26 May/43 1700 hrs A/Flying Officer D.L. Baker (J22022) (GL) (SR), Pilot Officer H.M. Pettigrew (J20120) (GL) (SR), and Pilot Officer D.H. Scott (J20454)(GL)(SR), promoted to rank of Temporary Flying Officers, effective 3rd January, 1943. Flying Officer J.H. Stapleton (C12520) (SR) (MED) promoted to the rank of Temporary Flight Lieutenant, effective April 30th, 1943. Squadron Leader Malcolm C1044, reported in on temporary duty, by air, from No. 2 T.C, Winnipeg. Flying training and ground school normal.

27 May/43 1700 hrs Unit Reselection Board sat to consider the cases of fifteen ceased training airmen. R.80481 Corporal Sinclair, G.H. (Clark Steno."A"), SOS on posting to No. 3 "M" Depot, Edmonton, Alta., after being remustered to (Clerk Steno."A"(Aircrew)). He is to appear before the Reselection Board at No. 3 "M" Depot. R79981 Sergeant Jones, R.T. proceeded on Temporary Duty to Deer Lodge Hospital, Winnipeg, as attendant to two rheumatic fever cases - R172946 LAC Orford, R.R., and R181746 LAC Bowler, K.E., both of course No. 78. Flying training and ground school normal.

28 May/43 1700 hrs Course No. 78 graduated - thirty students posted to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, and eight students posted to No. 11 S.F.T.S., Yorkton, Sask. Ten airmen transferred to Course No. 79. A total of twenty-six airmen on this course ceased training. C5009 Flight Lieutenant Pollock, J21848 Pilot Officer Moffat, J10602 Flying Officer Brownlow, and J14112 Pilot Officer Hudson, all of No. 11 S.F.T.S., Yorkton, flew in from Yorkton. The first three returned the same day. Flying training and ground school normal.

29 May/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. J16303 Pilot Officer D.P. Hobson DFM, flew in from No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, and returned the same day. Squadron Leader Malcolm left for Dafoe by air. Pilot Officer Hudson returned to Yorkton.

30 May/43 1700 hrs Course No. 82 reported - sixty TOS on posting from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, and ten TOS on posting from No. 31 P.D. (RAF) Moncton, N.B.

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31 May/43 1700 hrs Flight Lieutenant R.D. Phillips (C2020), reported in by train from No. 7 I.T.S., to act as defending officer for LAC Harvey, D.L. Proposed inspection of Air Cadets postponed due to inability of Flying Officer Hughes to get here. New tentative date set for Wednesday, June 2nd, 1943. Squadron Leader E.H. Crawford (C5251), reported in by train from No. 2 T.C., to act as prosecuting officer. Flight Lieutenant W. Marginson (C2306) arrived in evening by train, to act as waiting member. Ground school normal - flying in morning only because of inclement weather.

PERSONNEL STRENGTH: - Staff: - Officers - 48 AIRCRAFT STRENGTH: Serviceable: 63  
- Airmen - 58 Unserviceable.30

Trainees: - R.C.A.F. - 218  
 - R.A.F. - 37  
 - TOTAL - 361

AIRCRAFT - Tiger Moth

Staff & Trainees  
 RCAF & RAF

TOTAL FLYING FOR MAY: 8397:40 hours.

(A.T. Chesson) Squadron Leader,  
 Commanding Officer RCAF. Personnel,  
 No. 6 E.F.T.S., R.C.A.F.,  
 Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

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1 June/43 1700 hrs

PERSONNEL STRENGTH                      OFFICERS    AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS                      CIVILIANS

STAFF    R.C.A.F.                                      49                                      58

SERVICE PERSONNEL,  
(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)

          C.D.C.                                      1                                      2

TOTAL STAFF                      50                                      60

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TRAINEES:    R.C.A.F.                                      218  
                       R.A.F.                                      37

TOTAL TRAINEES                      255

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C.877 Squadron Leader A.T. Chesson awarded the Air Force Cross. The investiture is to be held later, and in the meantime, he is to wear the ribbon. No flying training due to high winds; Ground school classes doubled.

2 June/43 Pilot Officer J.S. Coombes (C24742) (SR) (GL) SOS on posting to North West Staging Route Headquarters, Edmonton, Alta. No flying training due to high winds. Ground school as usual.

3 June/43 Unit Reselection Board sat to consider the cases of nineteen ceased training airmen. Eight reselected as Air Bombers, six reselected as Navigators, three reselected as Wireless Operators Air Gunners, and two posted to the trade selection board at No. 1 "M" Depot, Toronto. Commanding Officer's inspection held for all R.C.A.F. Personnel at 1300 hours on the main

parade square. Flying training and ground school normal.

4 June/43 Pilot Officer A. Wallis (J20016) promoted to the rank of Temporary Flying Officer, effective 31st January, 1943. Flying training and ground school normal.

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5 June/43 1700 hrs. R.62850 Flight Sergeant McNair, J.A. appointed to the rank of T/WO.II (P) effective this date. R130789 Sgt. Kellaway, L.D. appointed to the rank of T/F.S.(P) effective 20 May/43. R128289 Sgt. Halpenny, E.L. and R100821 Sgt. Portesus, and R107963 Sgt. Willison E.G. appointed Flight Sergeant (Temp.)(Paid), eff. 4th June, 1943. R79981 Sgt. Jones, R.T. (Wardmaster "A") remustered to aircrew, and posted No. 3 "M" Depot, Edmonton.

6 June/43 1700 hrs. No flying training due to rain. Ground school doubled.

7 June/43 1700 hrs. J22222 Pilot Officer C.L. Rispler, and R122436 Sgt. Metcalf, D.E.B., Elementary Flying Instructors, SOS on posting to No. 19 E.F.T.S., Virden, Manitoba. J8962 Flying Officer G. Johnston ferried an aircraft to this Unit from No. 2 F.I.S., Pierce, Alberta. Flying training and ground school normal.

8 June/43 1700 hrs. Pilot Officer A.J. Carter (J22971) (GL) (SR) SOS on posting to No. 17 S.F.T.S., Souris, Manitoba. Pilot Officer P.R. English (J21238) (GL) (SR) and Pilot Officer J.N. McLeod (GL) (SR) (J22993) SOS on posting to No. 11 S.F.T.S., Yorkton, Sask. These flying instructors have been posted to Service Flying Schools for refresher courses, prior to operational duties.

9 June/43 1700 hrs. Sixteen ceased training airmen appeared before the Unit reselection board today. Four were reselected as Navigators, six reselected as Air Bombers, and two to Air Gunners. The four remaining airmen were posted to No.1 "M" Depot, Toronto, to appear before the selection board for ground trades. Flying training and ground school normal.

10 June/43 1700 hrs. R147134 LAC Henkel, L.W. (Clerk Steno. "A") TOS on posting from No. 7 A.O.S., Portage la Prairie, Man. Flying training and ground school normal.

11 June/43 1700 hrs. Commanding Officer's parade and inspection was held for all personnel at 1300 hours. No flying training due to rain. Ground school as usual.

12 June/43 1700 hrs Course No. 79 graduated - 38 Graduates posted to No. 10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Manitoba, 10 transferred to Course No. 80 due to illness and disciplinary reasons. Wastage in the course was 44%. Average total flying time for the graduates was 75.5 hours. Average course mark for flying was 70.2% and for G.I.S. 71.3%. Flying training and ground school normal. The findings of the District Court Martial held at this Unit on June 1st for R185542 LAC Harvey, D.L. arrived, and he was sentenced to undergo detention for 35 days, and

to be placed under stoppages of pay until has made good the sum of \$50.00

13 June/43 1700 hrs. No flying training. Course No. 83 TOS - 36 airmen from No. 4 I.T.S., Edmonton, Alta, 17 airmen from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., and sixteen airmen (R.A.F.) from No. 31 P.D., Moncton, N.B.

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14 June/43 1700 hr. Flying training and ground school normal.

15 June/43 1700 hrs. R52548 Sergeant Whitehead, M.J. visited this Unit from No. 8 R.D., Winnipeg, in connection with the repairing of the Link Trainers. Flying training and ground school normal.

16 June/43 1700 hrs. C10866 Flying Officer R.C. Mitchell and C1439 Squadron Leader R.G. McCullough from No. 4 S.F.T.S. reported at this Unit regarding a Board of Officers being held in connection with taking over buildings at R.I Hagen, Saskatchewan. Flying training and ground school normal.

17 June/43 1700 hrs. Flying training and ground school normal.

18 June/43 1700 hrs. Squadron Leader A.T. Chesson AFC proceeded on temporary duty to No 1 C.F.S. Trenton, Ontario for a refresher course. Flight Lieutenant A.W. Moffatt will be acting Commanding Officer RCAF personnel his absence. Flying training and ground school normal.

19 June/43 1700 hrs. Flying Officer L.A. Dove SOS on posting to No. 1 I.F.S., Mohawk, Ontario. Flying training and ground school normal.

20 June/43 1700 hrs. R.C. Church Parade held at 0730 hours in the Navigation Class Room. No flying training or ground school.

21 June/43 1700 hrs. First aid lectures for entire staff not holding St. John's first aid certificates commenced today. These lectures are to be held from Monday to Friday inclusive from 1300 hours to 1400 hours, and for a period of approximately 3 weeks. At the end of these lectures, the personnel attending will be required to write first aid examinations. Lectures to be given by Flight Lieutenant W.C. Guest, and Flight Lieutenant J.H. Stapleton. Four promotions from the ranks to commissioned officers - 4091 W.O.I Anderson, D.R.B. effective 26 April, 1943, R.62089 W.O.I Beettger, R.D., and R59669 W.O.I Beveridge, W.H., both effective 15th April, 1943, and R93528 W.O.II Boutwell, D.C.W. effective 1st January, 1943  
All promotions to the rank of Pilot Officers. Flying training and ground school normal.

22 June/43 1700 hrs. R71143 A/Sgt.(U) Davies, W.D. - Service Police "C" - SOS on posting to No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg. Flying training and ground school normal.

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23 June/43 1700 hrs Flying discontinued at 1000 hours due to bad weather, but resumed at night; ground school normal.

24 June/43 700 hrs R218211 Sgt. Swindlehurst, A.T. (Link Trainer Instructor "A") posted here from No. 3 "M" Depot, Edmonton to resume duties as a serviceman, the link trainer duties he formerly performed as a civilian instructor. A small party was held in the Sergeant's Mess for graduating Course No. 80. Flying training and ground school normal.

25 June/43 1700 hrs R.220266 Cpl. Brown, M.E. TOS on posting from No. 1 "M" Depot, Toronto. Cpl. Brown, a Clerk Postal "B" was assigned to general duties in the Orderly Room. Flight Lieutenant L.M. Ness and Flight Lieutenant J.H. Stapleton received advice of their postings to No. 2 T.C.H.Q. and No. 3 Wireless school respectively. Flying training and ground school normal.

26 June/43 1700 hrs C4170 Flight Lieutenant W.E. Blair (Med), returned here, his old Unit, from No. 8 Repair Depot, Winnipeg, to replace Flight Lieutenant J.H. Stapleton. R139903 Cpl. Gebbie, G.H. (Service Police "C") TOS on posting from T.T.S., St. Thomas, Ontario. Course No. 80 graduated, 23 graduates to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, 15 graduates to No. 19 S.F.T.S., Vulcan, Alberta, and 5 graduates to No. 17 S.F.T.S., Souris Manitoba. 10 men wire transferred to Course No. 81. Flying training and ground school normal.

27 June/43 1700 hrs Flight Lieutenant A.W. Sankey took over duties as adjutant from Flight Lieutenant L.M. Ness. Flight Lieutenant Ness posted to No. 2 Training Command to the Air Cadet branch. Course No. 84 reported to begin the E.F.T.S. course. Heavy rain delayed flying.

28 June/43 1700 hrs Flying Officer R.E. Waldron from No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, arrived by air to pay Service personnel. The airmen were marched from the parade ground to No. 7 hangar where the pay parade was held. All personnel having Income Tax returns to file are making a mad scramble at the accounts office for the forms. In almost every room wierd sounds are emanating "37% of Damn it! subtract ½ of Blinky Blank!", etc. The flying personnel are walking around with a smug complacent air saying to their buddies, "I've got a rebate of \$125.00 coming from my 7% deduction from last year".

30 June/43 1700 hrs. Weather ideal. Flying is progressing favorably. The aircraft appear to be on a twenty-four hour schedule. All log books are to be totalled at 2359 hours tonight in order that the semi-annual flying return may be completed by the end of the week. (see page No. 5 for Station Strength).

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30 June/43 1700 hrs

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
STAFF R.C.A.F.	45	51	

SERVICE PERSONNEL,  
(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)

C.D.C. 1 2

TOTAL STAFF 46 53

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TRAINEES R.C.A.F. 199  
R.A.F. 63

TOTAL TRAINEES 262

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AIRCRAFT STRENGTH

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Tiger Moths	64	26

FLYING HOURS

Total Number of hours flown during the month of June was 7269:35 hours.

*A.W. Moffatt F/LT*  
(A.T. Chesson) Squadron Leader,  
for Commanding Officer RCAF. Personnel,  
No. 6 E.F.T.S., R.C.A.F.,  
Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

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1 July/43 1700 hrs

PERSONNEL STRENGTH OFFICERS AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS CIVILIANS

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STAFF R.C.A.F. 45 51

SERVICE PERSONNEL,  
(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)

C.D.C. 1 2

TOTAL STAFF 46 53

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TRAINEES R.C.A.F. 199  
R.A.F. 63

TOTAL TRAINEES 262

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Flying training and ground school normal. Flight Lieutenant McLeod of No. 2 Training Command arrived for an inspection of Link Trainer equipment and personnel. Squadron Leader F.A. Montgomery, No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., arrived to investigate the crash involving Tiger Moth No. 4949, and injuries to LAC Abbott, M.G. Wing Commander Sharpe, Command Principle Medical Officer, arrived for an inspection of the Station Hospital.

2 July/43 1700 hrs Commanding Officer's parade and inspection held on Unit parade ground. Duty watch gave the station area a general clean-up. Flying training and ground school normal.

3 July/43 1700 hrs R.114535 F/S Rumble, R.P. and R123405 F/S Ruff, H.L. (Airmen Pilots S.G.) appointed to rank of Warrant Officers 2nd Class. Flying training and ground school normal.

4 July/43 1700 hrs Roman Catholic Church Parade held in the city of Prince Albert at 0915 hours. No flying training or ground school.

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5 July/43 1700 hrs J.7973 F/O L.M. Tillotson and J.8647 F/O W.A. Qua (GL) appointed to rank of Acting Flight lieutenants. J.23077 P/O R.N. Grest appointed to the rank of Acting Flying Officer. H-53025 Sergeant Reid, J. (CBC) ceases to be attached on posting to No. 2 Training Command Headquarters. Flying training and ground school normal.

6 July/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

7 July/43 1700 hrs J14687 P/O J.C. Henry, J14688 P/O R.J. Henry, and J20083 P/O H.W. Makinson (GL) appointed to the rank of Temporary Flying Officers. Flying training and ground school normal.

8 July/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground, school normal.

9 July/43 1700 hrs Unit Reselection Board held this date. Fifteen airmen were selected for other aircrew duties and posted to No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon, Man. Two airmen were posted to No. 1 "M" Depot, Toronto, Ont. for ground duties. Flying training and ground school normal.

10 July/43 1700 hrs J.14687 F/O J.C. Henry and J.14688 F/O R.J. Henry (GL) SOS on posting to No.4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., for refresher course prior to operational duties. Course No. 81 graduates - 2 graduates posted to No. 10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Man., 20 graduates posted to No. 7 S.F.T.S., Macleod, Alta., and 10 graduates posted to No. 12 S.F.T.S., Brandon, Manitoba.

11 July/43 1700 hrs No flying training or ground school.

12 July/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.176866 LAC Foote, F.P. was involved in an aircraft accident in Tiger Moth 5939, but was uninjured.

13 July/43 1700 hrs C. 877 Squadron Leader A.T. Chesson AFC returned from Temporary Duty at No. 1 C.F.S., Trenton, Ontario, after taking a refresher course. GB1450983 LAC Lumb, E. was involved in an aircraft accident in Tiger Moth aircraft No. 5993, and was seriously injured.

14 July/43 1700 hrs Squadron Leader Sharpe, Command Investigating Officer, arrived to investigate the accident involving LAC Lumb in aircraft No. 5993.

15 July/43 1700 hrs Flying Officer Waldron and Pilot Officer Olander from No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, arrived by air to carry out pay parade. Officers' Mess meeting was held. Plans were laid for purchase of furniture for new Officers' Mess. Flight Lieutenant A.W. Sankey was elected Mess Secretary. Flying Officer D. L. Baker elected as Messing Officer. Flying training and ground school normal.

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16 July/43 1700 hrs Flying Officer Munro, No. 2 T.C. P.T. & D. Officer, arrived for inspection. Heavy rain all day, and flying "washed out". Sections 4 - 44 A.F.A. read by all flights this date, for July quarter.

17 July/43 1700 hrs Good flying weather. Courses well advanced for this date. Plans commenced for annual picnic to be held August 6th. Ground school normal.

18 July/43 1700 hrs Twelve hours intermittent rain. Flying "washed out" for the day.

19 July/43 1700 hrs Commanding Officer's inspection of the Station held. Picture show held in No. 7 Hangar. Flying training and ground school normal.

20 July/43 1700 hrs Tiger Moth No. 4220 piloted by J20120 Flying Officer H.M. Pettigrew with R191243 LAC Miller, C.M. as pilot under instruction crashed this morning 15 miles south-west of the main aerodrome. Both occupants were killed and the aircraft completely destroyed. The cause of the accident is obscure, and an investigation is to be carried out.

21 July/43 1700 hrs Squadron Leader Sharpe, No. 2 Training Command, reported in to be president of a Court of Inquiry into the flying accident involving Tiger Moth No. 4220 and fatal injuries to J20120 Flying Officer H.M. Pettigrew and RI91243 LAC Millar, C.M. on July 20th, 1943. The "Army Show" visited Prince Albert Training Centre. This station had an invitation from the Army to attend en masse. Bus transportation was provided for classes 82 and 83. The show was received with much enthusiasm and applause.

22 July/43 1700 hrs Funeral Service for the following deceased personnel - Flying Officer H.M. Pettigrew and LAC Miller, C.M. held from Hamiltons Funeral Home, Prince Albert, 0900 hours. The funeral parade was under the command of Squadron Leader A.T. Chesson AFC. Rev. Cannon Noble conducted the service.

23 July/43 1700 hrs Course No. 82 graduated and were posted to No. 19 S.F.T.S, Vulcan, Alta, and No. 15 S.F.T.S., Claresholm, Alta. The most proficient student was R.167533 LAC Campbell, W.F., and he was presented with a gold identification disc. The total intake of Course 82 and 69, and on graduation, the adjusted intake was 65. The wastage was 41.5%. Disposition of the course was as follows; 22 posted No. 19 S.F.T.S., Vulcan, Alta., and 15 posted to No. 15 S.F.T.S., Claresholm, Alta.

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24 July/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

25 July/43 1700 hrs Weather rainy. Flying operations suspended for the day. Course No. 86, consisting of 59 student trainees, reported from No. 7 I.T.S., and No. 4 I.T.S.

26 July/43 1700 hrs Flight Lieutenant W.E. Blair, station Medical Officer, posted to No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg. Six Tiger Moth aircraft were ferried in from Calgary to augment the station reserve. Station picture show held. Flying training and ground school normal.

27 July/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

28 July/43 1700 hrs Pilot Officers J26833 G.A. Hogman, J26828 G.B. Smith, and J26832 V.A. Palmer, flying Instructors, reported in from No. 3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ontario. Tiger Moth No. 9135, piloted by GB.1483450 LAC Fulton, J.H.A., crashed at 1050 hours today, ten miles North East of the main aerodrome, after being abandoned by the pilot. The cause of the accident has not as yet been ascertained, pending the Investigating Officer's report.

29 July/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

30 July/43 1700 hrs Flight Lieutenant Owen, No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, arrived by air for Station Pay Parade. One half day flying put in. New flying training reports set up to come into operation August 1st. Group Captain Nelligan, Principle Chaplain (R.C.) from A.F.H.Q. paid the station a visit. He was accompanied by Major Daley from Regina. The party arrived by air.

31 July/43 1700 hrs Squadron Leader F.A. Montgomery, No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., arrived by air to investigate the aircraft accident involving Tiger Moth No. 5135 and LAC Fulton, J.H.A. on July 28th, 1943. Tiger Moth No. 4005 piloted by R185957 LAC Burke, W.E. crashed on the main aerodrome at 0845 hours this date. The accident was caused by the student allowing the aircraft to stall off the ground during the take-off.

(See Page. No. 5 for Station Strength)

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31 June/43 1700 hrs

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
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STAFF R.C.A.F. 48 56

SERVICE PERSONNEL,  
(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)

C.D.C. 1 1

TOTAL STAFF 49 57

TRAINEES R.C.A.F. 208

R.A.F. 30

TOTAL TRAINEES 238

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Tiger Moths	54	33

FLYING HOURS

Total number of hours flown during the month of July was 7665:35 hours.

(A.T. Chesson) Squadron Leader,  
Commanding Officer RCAF. Personnel,  
No. 6 E.F.T.S., R.C.A.F.,  
Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

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1 Aug/43 1700 hrs

PERSONNEL STRENGTH OFFICERS AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS CIVILIANS

STAFF R.C.A.F. 48 56

SERVICE PERSONNEL,  
(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)

C.D.C. 1 1

TOTAL STAFF 49 57

TRAINEES R.C.A.F. 208

R.A.F. 30

Church parade for all personnel. No flying training or ground school. Weather unfit for flying.

2 Aug/43 1700 hrs R.C.A.F. hardball team defeated 8 - 3 by the Amy. Flying training and ground school normal.

3 Aug/43 1700 hrs Flying training normal until 1800 hours, when it commenced to rain. Night flying "washed out". Ground school normal.

4 Aug/43 1700 hrs Weather clear. Station football squad defeated the Amy by a score of 4 - 2. The game was played against the 122 Basic Training Centre. The Unit reselection board disposed of thirteen ceased trainees. Twelve were reselected for other aircrew trades and posted to No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon, and one was posted to No. 1 "M" Depot, Toronto, to appear before the ground trade reselection board. Flying training and ground school normal. R.155122 A/Cpl. (P) Caswell, H.W. (Discip) promoted to the rank of Temporary Corporal.

5 Aug/43 1700 hrs Weather fine. Commanding Officer's inspection of all R.C.A.F. personnel held. Flying training and ground school normal.

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6 Aug/43 1700 hrs Courses No. 83 graduated. Original intake was 54 R.C.A.F. and 18 R.A.F. - total 70. Adjusted intake -73. Total graduates 45 - 9 posted to No. 7 S.F.T.S., Macleod, Alberta, 36 posted to No. 10 .S.F.T.S. Dauphin. Total wastage - 28, 38.3% of course. Unit reselection board reselected 23 for other aircrew trades, and 5 to ground trades. R.220266 Cpl. Brown, M.E. (Clerk Postal "B"), posted to No. 3 "M" Depot, Edmonton. Alberta. One half day flying training lost due to high winds. Ground school normal.

7 Aug/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

8 Aug/43 1700 hrs High winds and heavy rain. No flying training or ground school held. R.C. Church Parade held at 0730 hours in the Navigation Classroom. Course No. 87, consisting of 60 trainees, reported from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon.

9 Aug/43 1700 hrs High winds. No flying training for the day. Ground school normal, attended by all trainees. A Command Trade Test Board arrived from No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, to trade test four Hospital Assistants, one clerk, and two armourers. The President of the Board was Flying Officer Hopkins, and the member Sgt, Roberts, D.V. Captain Partridge, the Dental Officer, returned from leave.

10 Aug/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

11 Aug/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. R.200038 LAC McDougall, J.C.

(Course #85), involved in a "B" crash, (uninjured).

12 Aug/43 1700 hrs R.183156 LAC McNichol, R.H. (Course #85) involved in an aircraft accident ("A" Category). He was uninjured. R.116141 A/F/S/(P) Morris, G. (Disciplinarian "C") promoted to the rank of Temporary Flight Sergeant. D.R.O. #183 contained the names of almost the entire staff as authorised to wear the St. John Ambulance Badge. R.213246 AC1 Glinsky, J.B., and R.204420 AC1 Guay, J.R. (Hosp. Assts. "C"), reclassified LAC's. J20122 P/O K.D. Porter, J22028 P/O R.J. Hamilton, C24746 P/O D.R. Langdon, J23039 P/O H.C. Hicks, J.23076 P/O L. Goodall, J.23077 A/F/O R.N. Grest, J.21209 P/O L.L.G. Bussard, J.22997 P/O F.S. McNabb, J.22998 P/O D.R. McLeod promoted to the rank of Temporary Flying Officers. One half day flying training, lost due to high winds and rain.

13 Aug/43 1700 hrs R.166607 Sgt. McLean, H.L. (L.T.I. "A") TOS on posting from No. 1 I.F.S., Deseronto, Ontario. Unit reselection board sat to consider the cases of 17 ceased trainees. Sixteen were reselected for further aircrew training in other trades, and posted to No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon, and one posted to No. 1 "M" Depot, Toronto, to appear before the ground trade selection board. C.12951 F/O J.M. Bates (SR)(P.T.&D) arrived on temporary duty for inspection regarding physical fitness of trainees. Commanding Officer's inspection for R.C.A.F. personnel held on the main parade square. Flying training and ground school normal.

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14 Aug/43 1700 hrs R.56986 Sgt. Thompson, E.R., and five other airmen returned to No. 8 R.D., Winnipeg, after completion of dismantling Tiger Moth aircraft. R.139903 Cpl. Gabbie, G.H, (Service Police "C") appointed to the rank of Acting Sergeant (Unpaid). Flying training and ground school normal.

15 Aug/43 1700 hrs One half day flying training lost due to high winds. Ground school normal.

16 Aug/43 1700 hrs R.126557 Sergeant McCarthy, W.E., and R.145438 Sergeant Wiley, J.K. (L.T.I. "A") TOS on posting from No. 35 E.F.T.S., Neepawa, Manitoba, ceasing to be on temporary duty from that Unit. Flying training and ground school normal. A record was set, when 542:35 hours were flown in one day.

17 Aug/43 1700 hrs C.26879 P/O J.H. Gardner, C.26867 P/O T.H. Russell, C.26876 P/O F.H. Millar, and C.26865 P/O K.W. Bowman (General List) TOS on posting from No. 3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ontario. Ground school normal. Flying hours for the day came close to the previous record, being 519:25 hours.

18 Aug/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

19 Aug/43 1700 hrs R.213844 A/Cpl.(U) Ellis, D.M. (Service Police "C") TOS on posting from No. 8 Repair Depot, Winnipeg. R.172700 Cpl. Pajak, A. (Armourer (Guns) "A") SOS on posting to No. 19 E.F.T.S., Virden, Manitoba. Unit Reselection Board sat to consider the cases of four ground school failures in Course No. 84. Two were reselected as Air Gunners Standard, and two

posted to No. 1 "M" Depot, Toronto, to appear before the ground trade selection board. Flying training and ground school normal.

20 Aug/43 1700 hrs Course No. 84 graduated. Original intake - 52 R.C.A.F., 18 R.A.F. - Total 70. Adjusted Intake - 69. Total graduates - 39, 20 posted No. 3 S.F.T.S., Calgary, Alta., and 19 posted No. 11 S.F.T.S., Yorkton. Total wastage 30 - 43.33%. Unit reselection board selected 28 for other aircrew duties and two to ground duties. Sixteen were transferred to Course No. 85 due to illness. Flying training and ground school normal. Commanding Officer's inspection of all R.C.A.F. personnel held on the main parade square.

21 Aug/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

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Aug 22/43 1700 hrs Course No. 88 reported - 25 from No. 4 I.T.S., Edmonton, 44 from No. 7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, and one from Repatriation Pool, Rockcliffe - total intake of 70 students. R.C. Church parade held in Navigation Classroom at 0730 hours. No flying training or ground school.

Aug 23/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

Aug 24/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal. J.21338 P/O M.A. Edworthy, J.22021 P/O A.W. Tibbitt, and J21427 P/O W.H. Wicks promoted to the rank of Temporary Flying Officers.

Aug 25/43 1700 hrs R.205430 LAC McGregor, L.S. was involved in an accident in Tiger Moth 4298, and was seriously injured. He was admitted to the Victoria Hospital, Prince Albert. R.163539 Sgt. Wilson, J.B. (L.T.I. "A") TOS on posting from No. 1 I.F.S., Deseronto, Ontario. R.218343 Sgt. Sasseville, R.T. (L.T.I. "A") TOS on posting from No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon, Man. Flying training and ground school normal.

Aug 26/43 1700 hrs A/V/M T.A. Lawrence (C.7) Air Officer Commanding, No. 2 Training Command, arrived by air for an inspection of this Unit. He was accompanied by C.12111 F/L J.R. Alexander P.S.O. to the A.O.C., C3770 F/L Eshelman, C.O. Communications Flt. No. 8 R.D., Winnipeg, Cpl. Jones, H.L., LAW Mills, M., and LAW Rice, J.A., W.D. Personnel from No. 4 S.F.T.S., and Miss McGillivray, reporter from the Winnipeg Free Press. A/V/M Lawrence departed via air to No. 12 S.F.T.S., Brandon, at 1500 hours. Flying training and ground school normal.

Aug 27/43 1700 hrs Unit reselection board sat to consider the cases of 12 ceased trainees. Six were reselected for other aircrew trades, and six were posted to No. 1 "M" Depot, Toronto, to appear before the ground reselection board. R.72094 WOI Latimer, G.S. (Airman Pilot SG) and J21427 F/O W.H. Wicks (GL) SOS on posting to No. 24 E.F.T.S., Abbotsford, B.C. Commanding Officer's parade and inspection held on the main parade ground. Flying training and ground school normal.

Aug 28/43 1700 hrs R.139679 LAC Gard, E.E.J. (Clerk. Gen. "B") remustered Clerk General Medical "B". Flying training and ground school normal.

Aug 29/43 1700 hrs No flying training or ground school. All R.C.A.F. personnel, with the exception of those on duty watch or on duty, paraded in Prince Albert at 1430 hours to the cenotaph for a Memorial Day Service. The parade was under the command of Flight Lieutenant W.J. Hind. Bishop H.D. Martin. R.C.A.F. Chaplain (P) conducted the service. Represented on this parade were the Army, nurses, War Veterans, Boy Scouts, and the city band. The Air Force and Army played their final baseball game, the air force being defeated by a score of 7 - 3.

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30 Aug/43 1700 hrs An extensive program in Ground School has commenced for the flying instructors, including refresher courses in Navigation, Aircraft Recognition, and Signals. Periods of physical training are also given. Flying training and ground school normal.

31 Aug/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school normal.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>		<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
STAFF	R.C.A.F.	50	56	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL,</u> <u>(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>				
	C.D.C.	1	1	
TOTAL STAFF		51	57	
<u>TRAINEES</u>				
	R.C.A.F.		234	
	R.A.F.		4	
TOTAL TRAINEES			238	

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Tiger Moths	53	31

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of August was 9386:30 hours.



(A.T. Chesson) Squadron Leader,  
 Commanding Officer RCAF. Personnel,  
 No. 6 E.F.T.S., R.C.A.F., Prince Albert, Sask.

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1 Sept./43 1700 hrs

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>		<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
STAFF	R.C.A.F.	50	54	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>				
	C.D.C.	1	1	
TOTAL STAFF		51	57	
<u>TRAINEES</u>				
	R.C.A.F.		234	
	R.A.F.		4	
TOTAL TRAINEES			238	

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Tiger Moths	53	31

R126557 Sgt. McCarthy, W.E. and R145438 Sgt. Wiley, K.J. (Link Trainer Instructors "A") S.O.S. on posting to No. 35 E.F.T.S., Neepawa, Man. Flying training and ground school normal.

2 Sept./43 1700 hrs One half day's flying training lost due to high winds. Ground School normal.

3 Sept./43 1700 hrs R103102 Sgt. Dunmore, W.T. (L.T.I. "A") T.O.S. on posting from No. 1 C.N.S., Rivers. Commanding Officer's Parade held on main parade ground for all personnel. Eleven ceased training airmen appeared before the Unit Reselection Board. Six were reselected as Air Bombers, four as Navigators and one as an Air Gunner. They were posted to No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon, Manitoba.

4 Sept./43 1700 hrs Thirty-five airmen of Course No. 85 graduated and were posted to No. 10

S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Man. Details of course as follows: Original intake - 59, Adjusted intake - 57. Thirty-five airmen ceased training, the "washout" percentage being 36.85%. Thirty-three airman were selected for further

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Sept.4/43 1700 hrs aircrew training and two for ground duties. Flying Training and Ground (Cont'd) School normal. Sixty-four R.A.F. u/t Pilots T.O.S. on posting from No. 31 P.D., (R.A.F.) Moncton, N.B. to commence training as Course No. 89.

Sept.5/43 1700 hrs Sixty airmen, under the command of Flight Lieutenant A.W. Sankay, attended a Church Parade in the cathedral in Prince Albert. The service was conducted by Canon Noble and was in accordance with the proclamation setting Sunday as a National day of prayer. No Flying Training or Ground School.

Sept.6/43 1700 hrs Squadron Leader H. Hunter, Command Reselection Officer, arrived in Prince Albert to attend a reselection board at this unit. Flying training and ground school normal.

Sept.7/43 1700 hrs Unit Reselection Board sat to interview four ceased training cases. Two airmen were reselected as Air Bombers and posted to No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon and the remaining two were considered unsuitable for further aircrew duties and were posted to No. 1 "M" Depot, Toronto for ground duties. Flying training and Ground school, normal.

Sept.8/43 1700 hrs R75186 WO1 Brook, E.G., R76638 WO1 Anderson, G.J. and R123405 WO2 Ruff, H.L. appointed to the ranks of Pilot Officer (G.L.) (SR). R170062 Sgt. McBean, D.D. (L.T.I. "A") T.O.S. on posting from No. 1 I.F.S., Deseronto. R79831 Sgt. Hamilton, M.W. (Clark Steno "A") was remustered to Aircrew and S.O.S. on posting to No. 3 "M" Depot, Edmonton, Alta. Flying training and ground school, normal.

Sept.9/43 1700 hrs C9706 F.L. J.M. Newstone (Med) reported on temporary duty from No. 7 I.T.S. to take over the duties of F.L. W.C. Guest who has proceeded on annual leave. W.C. J.E. Sharpe, Principal Medical Officer arrived by air from Dafoe to conduct an inspection of the station hospital. Flying training and ground school, normal.

Sept.10/43 1700 hrs R218344 Sgt. Cooke, J.L. (L.T.I. "A") T.O.S. on posting from No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon. Flying training and ground school, normal.

Sept.11/43 1700 hrs Flying Officer Johnson of the Armament Visiting Flight, visited this unit from Mountainview to inspect the Armament Section. Flying training and ground school, normal.

Sept.12/43 1700 hrs Roman Catholic Church Parade held in the Administration building at 0730 hrs.

Sept.13/43 1700 hrs C27052 P.O. D.R.B. Anderson proceeded on temporary duty to No. 1

O.T.S., Domaine D'esterel, P.Q. for ab-initie training. One half-day flying lost due to high winds. Ground school, normal.

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Sept.14/43 1700 hrs Flying was "washed out" for three hours in afternoon due to rain. Ground school, normal.

Sept.15/43 1700 hrs Pay Parade held at 1315 hours for all personnel. Flying training and ground school, normal.

Sept.16/43 1700 hrs R196677 LAC Vernon Russell MILLER was killed as the result of an aircraft accident in Tiger Moth No. 1205. The accident took place at 0820 hrs. 20 miles north-west of the airport. The cause of the accident is obscure. J27029 P.O. D.C.W. Boutwell and R.61090 WO1 Ball, A.W. S.O.S. on posting to No. 26 E.F.T.S., Abbotsford, B.C. Flying training and ground school, normal.

Sept.17/43 1700 hrs Unit Reselection Board sat to interview seven ceased trainees. Five were reselected as Air Navigators and one as an Air Bomber and posted to No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon, Man. The remaining airman was considered unsuitable for further aircrew training and was posted to No. 1 "M" Depot, Toronto, Ont. Flying training and ground school, normal.

Sept.18/43 1700 hrs Course No. 86 graduated, the following being the disposition: Original Intake - 59, Transfers to course - 18, Transfers from course - 16, Adjusted intake - 61. Thirteen airmen ceased training, the wastage being 21.31%. Forty-eight airmen graduated and were disposed of as follows: 31 to No. 19 S.F.T.S., Vulcan, Alta., 9 to No. 3 S.F.T.S., Calgary, Alta., 7 to No. 12 S.F.T.S., Brandon, Man., and 1 to No. 8 S.F.T.S., Moncton, N.B. Flying training and ground school, normal.

Sept.19/43 1700 hrs Roman Catholic Church parade held in the Navigation Classroom, Administration Building, at 0730 hrs.

Sept.20/43 1700 hrs Course No. 90, consisting of 64 R.A.F. Trainees, T.O.S. on posting from No. 31 P.D., (R.A.F.) Moncton, N.B. J28636 P.O. A.J. McMurdy (SB) (GL), Flying Instructor, T.O.S. on posting from No. 3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ont. Flying training and Ground school, normal. R.203754, LAC Barker, J.G. bailed out of Tiger moth aircraft No. 1118. The aircraft crashed, the category being an "A" crash. The cause of the accident has been attributed to misuse of the controls by the student pilot.

Sept.22/43 1700 hrs C20325 F.O. A.E.S. Davison, P.T. & D. reported on temporary duty from No. 5 B. & G. School, Dafoe, Sask. for a period of approximately three weeks. Flying training and ground school, normal.

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Sept.22/43 1700 hrs R171879 Sgt. Toombs, S.B. (L.T.I."A") T.O.S. on posting from No. 1 I.F.S., Doseronto, Ont. Flying training and ground school, normal.

Sept.23/43 1700 hrs R205555 LAC Meere, Leonard Raymond was killed as the result of a flying accident in Tiger Moth No. 1168. The accident happened at 1620 hrs., 10 miles Northwest of the airport. Cause of the accident is obscure. J.20083 F.O. H.W. Makinson (GL) (SR) S.O.S. on posting to No. 3 F.I.S., Arnpiror, Ont. Unit Reselection Board sat to consider the case of nine ceased trainees. Five were reselected as Air Navigators and four as Air Bombers. Flying training and Ground school, normal.

Sept.24/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school, normal.

Sept.25/43 1700 hrs Flying Officer H.W. Martin, Command Investigating Officer, arrived to investigate aircraft accident involving Tiger Moth 1168 and fatal injuries to R.205555 LAC Meere, L.R. Flying training and ground school, normal.

Sept.26/43 1700 hrs No flying training or Ground school. Roman Catholic Church Parade held in the Navigation Classroom at 0730 hrs.

Sept.27/43 1700 hrs C9706 F/L J.B. Newstone (Med) returned to No. 7 I.T.S. on the return of C.10201 F/L W.C. Guest (Med) from leave. Flying training and ground school, normal.

Sept.28/43 1700 hrs Flying "washed out" in afternoon due to high winds. Ground school, normal.

Sept.29/43 1700 hrs Flying training and ground school, normal.

Sept.30/43 1700 hrs Unit Reselection Board sat to consider the cases of three ceased trainees. Two were reselected for further aircrew duties as an Air Gunner and Air Bomber and posted to No. 2 "M" Depot, Brandon. The third was considered unsuitable for further aircrew training and posted to No. 1 "M" Depot, Toronto, Ont. Flying training and ground school, normal. Graduation dinner for Course No. 87 held in Civilian Canteen at 2000 hrs. S/L A.T. Chesson AFC presented the proficiency trophy to LAC Goodwin, who received the highest marks for the class. Mr. Rawlinson, the Civilian Manager, gave a short address and congratulated the class on such a fine showing.

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Sept. 30/43 1700 hr.

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<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u> R.C.A.F.	53	52	

SERVICE PERSONNEL,  
(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)

C.D.C.	1	1
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TOTAL STAFF	<u>54</u>	<u>53</u>
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<u>TRAINEES</u>	R.C.A.F.	122
	R.A.F.	129

TOTAL TRAINEES	<u>251</u>
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AIRCRAFT STRENGTH

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Tiger Moth	49	23

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of September was 8488:15

(A.T. Chesson) Squadron Leader  
Commanding Officer RCAF Personnel,  
No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask.

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Oct.1/43 1700

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
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<u>STAFF</u>	R.C.A.F.	53	52
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SERVICE PERSONNEL,  
(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)

C.D.C.	1	1
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TOTAL STAFF	<u>54</u>	<u>53</u>
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<u>TRAINEES</u>	R.C.A.F.	122
	R.A.F.	129

TOTAL TRAINEES	<u>251</u>
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Oct.1/43 1700 Course #87 graduated 53 students, 30 being posted to #10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin,

Man., and 23 posted to #17 S.F.T.S., Souris, Man. The original intake was 60 students and the adjusted intake was 66. Thirteen students ceased training, the wastage percentage being 19.69%. Twelve of these ceased-training airmen were posted to #2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Man., and one to #1 Manning Depot, Toronto. R-103102, Sgt. Dunmore, W.T. (L.T.I. "A") S.O.S. on posting to #1 I.F.S., Deseronto, Ont. Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.2/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.3/43 1700 Roman Catholic church parade held in the navigation room at 0730 hours.

Oct.4/43 1700 Course #91, consisting of 61 U/T Pilots reported from #2 I.T.S., Regina, Sask., #4 I.T.S., Edmonton, Alta., and #7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., to commence training. Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.5/43 1700 J13490, F/O C.B. Bruce (S.R.) (S.N.I. (P)) T.O.S. on posting from #12 S.F.T.S., Brandon, Man. Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.6/43 1700 R-191075, AC2 Duffy, R.M. (Clerk-Steno "C") T.O.S. on posting from #12 S.F.T.S., Brandon, Man. Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.7/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

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Oct.8/43 1700 H-53105, Pte. Montford, R.G., (Dental Assistant) T.O.S. on attachment from #10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Man. Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.9/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.10/43 1700 Roman Catholic church parade held in navigation room at 0730 hours.

Oct.11/43 1700 C24746, F/O D.R. Langdon proceeded on temporary duty to #1 O.T.S., Domaine d'Esterel, Que. R-116141, F/S Morris, G. (Disciplinarian "C") proceeded on temporary duty to #1 K.T.S., Trenton, Ont., for inclusion in P.T. & D. Course. Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.12/43 1700 Archbishop Sherman, Diocese of Rupertsland and H/F/L Martin visited the station. F/L Walker, C12622, Works & Buildings, #2 T.C., and Mr. B. Leon, A.F.H.Q., inspected the buildings on the station. They departed at 1500 hours for Dafoe, Sask. Flying "washed out" in the morning due to high winds. Ground school normal.

Oct.13/43 1700 F/L's J.A. White, F.J. Goldsmith and R. Airey, F/O Mann, #2 T.C., visited this unit, arriving by air. They departed by air same date.

Oct.14/43 1700 Complete day of flying lost due to poor visibility and high winds. Ground

school normal.

Oct.15/43 1700 J29822, P/O E.G. Brock and R-101196, WO2 Gilcher, E.N. S.O.S. on posting to #24 E.F.T.S., Abbotsford, B.C. Flying "washed out" for day due to poor visibility and low ceiling. Ground school normal.

Oct.16/43 1700 Course #68 completed training and graduated 51 students. 45 were posted to #4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon and 6 were posted to #7 S.F.T.S., MacLeod, Alta. The original intake was 70 and the adjusted intake 69. Sixteen students were ceased-training and two killed, the wastage being 26.08%. Thirteen ceased-trainees were posted to #2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Man. and three to #1 Manning Depot, Toronto, Ont. A huge Fifth Victory Loan parade was held in Prince Albert. The Airforce section was in charge of F/L Hind and consisted of six flights. Thirty Airwomen in charge of A/S/O Wilson and the Airforce Band from #7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., in charge of F/S F. Phillips also took part in the parade.

Oct.17/43 1700 A church parade was held in the city of Prince Albert at 1400 hours and consisted of the same personnel that attended the Victory Loan parade the previous day. At 2115 hours a theater party was held in the Orpheum Theater. The band of #7 I.T.S. entertained a capacity audience. Vocal renditions were supplied by F/O Doug Scott and F/S Phillips. A portion of the program was broadcast over the local radio station

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Oct.18/43 1700 Forty U/T Pilots from #2 I.T.S., Regina, Sask., and 20 from #7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., arrived to commence training as course #92. R-139903, Cpl. Gebbie, G.H. (Service Police "C") S.O.S. on posting to #10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Man. Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.19/43 1700 J29611, P/O F.W. Hawley and 1459795, Sgt. Dunman (R.A.F.), pilot instructors, T.O.S. on posting from #3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ont. C877, S/L A.T. Chesson, AFC, proceeded on temporary duty to #2 T.C., Winnipeg. Three ceased-training airman of course 89 appeared before the unit reselection board. One was reselected as Air Bomber, one as a Navigator and the other as W.A.G. They were posted to #2 Manning Depot, eff. October 19, rep. October 20/43. Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.20/43 1700 R-75075, Cpl. Smith, A.N. (Service Police "C") T.O.S. on posting from #10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Man. Flying training and ground school normal. Complete day of flying lost due to snow and poor visibility. Ground school normal.

Oct.21/43 1700 Complete day of flying lost due to snow and low ceiling. Ground school normal.

Oct.22/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.23/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.24/43 1700 Roman Catholic church parade held in navigation class room at 0730 hours. Flying training was carried on all day.

Oct.25/43 1700 C877, S/L A.T. Chesson, AFC, returned from temporary duty at #2 T.C. Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.26/43 1700 Flying training "washed out" due to fog. Ground school normal.

Oct.27/43 1700 Flying training "washed out" due to fog. Ground school normal.

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Oct.28/43 1700 Four ceased-trainees appeared before the unit reselection board today. Two were reselected as Navigators and one for groundcrew. They were posted to #2 Manning Depot, Brandon, Man., eff. October 28/43, rep. October 29/43. The fourth airman, R.A.F., was considered unfit for further flying duties and was posted to #1 Manning Depot, Toronto, Ont. Eff. October 28, reporting October 31/43. Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.29/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.30/43 1700 Course 89 graduated 51 students. Thirty-three were posted to #4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask., and 18 to #10 S.F.T.S., Dauphin, Man. The original intake was 64 and the adjusted intake 60. Nine students ceased training, the wastage being 15%. Eight ceased-trainees were posted to #2 Manning Depot, Brandon, and one to #1 Manning Depot, Toronto, Ont., Canada. Fifteen students were transferred to Course 90. Flying training and ground school normal.

Oct.31/43 1700 Complete day of flying lost due to rain and low ceiling. Roman Catholic church parade held in navigation room at 0730 hours.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u> R.C.A.F.	53	51	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL,</u> <u>(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>			
C.D.C.	1	2	
TOTAL STAFF	<hr/> 54	<hr/> 53	
<u>TRAINEES</u> R.C.A.F.	1	135	
R.A.F.		125	



TOTAL TRAINEES	1	260
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AIRCRAFT STRENGTH

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Tiger Moth	64	19

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of October was 7,189:15.

(A.T. Chesson) S/L,  
 Commanding Officer, R.C.A.F. Personnel,  
 #6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask., Canada.

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Nov. 1/43 1700

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u> R.C.A.F.	53	51	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u> C.D.C.	1	2	
TOTAL STAFF	54	53	
<u>TRAINEES</u> R.C.A.F.	1	135	
R.A.F.		125	
	1	260	

Course #93 consisting of 60 trainees TOS. Forty-five R.A.F. trainees reported from #31 P.D., Moncton, ten from #4 I.T.S., Edmonton, and five from #2 I.T.S., Regina. Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 2/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 3/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 4/43 1700 Nineteen airmen in charge of F/S Aird arrived from #2 C&M Unit to repair

hangar trusses. Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 5/43 1700 Snowstorm curtailed flying all day. Ground school normal.

Nov. 6/43 1700 J35350. P/O Zabel. A.E. TOS on posting from #3 F.I.S.. Arnprior. Flying training and ground school normal. 90202. W/C Rossie-Brown, R.A.F. Chaplain, arrived on temporary duty from #2 T.C., Winnipeg.

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Nov. 7/43 1700 Roman Catholic church parade held at 0730 hours in the navigation classroom. Protestant church parade held in navigation classroom at 1130 hours conducted by W/C Rossie-Brown.

Nov. 8/43 1700 J35354. P/O A.H. Bent TOS on posting from #3 F.I.S., Arnprior. Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 9/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 10/43 1700 Four airmen appeared before the unit reselection board; one was reselected as navigator and two as air bombers. They were posted to #2 Manning Depot, Brandon, eff. Nov. 10/43 reporting Nov. 11/43. The fourth was reselected for ground duties and posted to #1 Manning Depot, Toronto, eff. Nov. 10/43 reporting Nov. 13/43. W/C Rossie-Brown ceases to be on temporary duty, departing by air. Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 11/43 1700 Officers and airmen of Course 93 attended an Armistice Day service at the Armories in the town of Prince Albert. J20022, F/O D.L. Baker proceeded on temporary duty to #3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ont. Flying was "washed out" all day due to high winds. Ground school normal.

Nov. 12/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 13/43 1700 F/L W.C. Guest, Medical Officer, proceeded on temporary duty to #4 Recruiting Center, Saskatoon. Course 90 graduated with 62 students who were posted as follows. 27 to #4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon; 10 to #12 S.F.T.S., Brandon; 5 to #18 S.F.T.S., Gimli; and 20 to #39 S.F.T.S., Swift Current. The original intake of the course was 64 and the adjusted intake 67. Five students ceased training, the wastage percentage being 7.46%. Four ceased trainees were re-selected for further aircrew duties and posted to #2 Manning Depot, Brandon, and the fifth was reselected for ground duties and posted to #1 Manning Depot, Toronto. Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 14/43 1700 Roman Catholic church parade held in the town of Prince Albert. Flying training in progress.

Nov. 15/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 16/43 1700 Course 94, consisting of 60 airmen, reported from #2 I.T.S., Regina, and #7 I.T.S., Saskatoon. R-116141, F/S Morris, G. returned from temporary duty at #1 K.T.S., Trenton. Flying training and ground school normal.

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Nov. 17/43 1700 J35718, P/O N.J. Barclay TOS on posting from #3 F.I.S., Arnprior. F/S D. Aird and 19 airmen ceased to be on temporary duty from #2 C&M Unit, proceeding to #5 B&G School, Dafoe. No. 4 Visiting Flight arrived by air from C.F.S., Trenton for the purpose of testing and recategorizing the flying instructors at this unit. The Flight consisted of C1325, S/L O.B. Pulsifer O.C., C888, S/L H. Kay, C13130, F/L H.C. Forbell, J7762, F/L F.H. Darragh and 116070, F/L F/L C.L. Smith. Flying was curtailed for half the day due to high winds. Ground school normal.

Nov. 18/43 1700 Four ceased trainees appeared before the unit reselection board. They were reselected as air gunner, air bomber, navigator and flight engineer and posted to #2 Manning Depot. One half day flying lost due to high winds. Ground school normal.

Nov. 19/43 1700 J35787, P/O R.B. Davison TOS on posting from #3 F.I.S., Arnprior. Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 20/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 21/43 1700 Roman Catholic church parade held in navigation classroom at 0730 hours. Flying training in progress.

Nov. 22/43 1700 1459795, Sgt. Dunman, P.H. SOS on posting to #33 E.F.T.S., Caron, Sask. Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 23/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 24/43 1700 J23616 P/O J.S. Butler, R-221203, LAC E.G. Henderson and R-251972. LAC McLean, P.R. were killed and J23077, F/O R.N. Grest was seriously injured as the result of a mid-air collision and resulting crash of Tiger Moths 1142 and 5944. The accident took place at 1550 hours approximately six miles northwest of the main airdrome. F/O Grest succeeded in using his parachute. 9600, WOII McLeod, H.B. appointed to the rank of Pilot Officer eff. Oct. 8/43.

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Nov. 24/43 1700 (Continued) Half day of solo flying lost due to high winds. Ground school normal.

Nov. 25/43 1700 C14589, F/O W.S. Martin, Command Investigating Officer, arrived to investigate the fatal accident of yesterday's date. Unit reselection board set to consider the cases of five ceased-trainees. One was reselected as navigator, another as W.A.G. and three as flight

engineers. Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 26/43 1700 Funeral services were held for J23616, P/O J.S. Butler, R-221203, LAC E.G. Henderson and R-251972, LAC McLean, P.R. at 2000 hours at Hamilton's Funeral Home. The remains were escorted to the depot and forwarded to their respective places of interment at 2100 hours. No. 4 Visiting Flight from C.F.S. departed by air for #35 E.F.T.S., Neepawa, at 1200 hours.

Nov. 27/43 1700 Course 91 graduated but are being held on the station pending posting instructions from D.A.P.S. The original intake was 61 and the adjusted intake 59. Four students ceased training, the wastage being 6.77%. Of the four ceased trainees one was reselected as a W.A.G. and posted to #2 Manning Depot, Brandon. One was reselected as flight engineer and held pending posting instructions, one discharged from the Service, and one killed as the result of a flying accident. Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 28/43 1700 Fifty-nine u/t pilots arrived this unit from #31 P.D., Moncton, #7 I.T.S., Saskatoon, and #4 I.T.S., Edmonton. They are being held here for useful employment pending absorption into other courses.

Nov. 29/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

Nov. 30/43 1700 J20122, F/O K.D. Porter and J26828, P/O G.B. Smith SOS on posting to #19 E.F.T.S., Virden. Flying training and ground school normal.

Personnel Strength on following page.

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Nov. 30/43 1700

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u> R.C.A.F.	58	47	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL</u> <u>(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>			
C.D.C.	1	2	
TOTAL STAFF	<hr/> 59	<hr/> 49	
<u>TRAINEES</u> R.C.A.F.	1	227	
R.A.F.		84	
TOTAL	<hr/> 1	<hr/> 311	

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Tiger Moth	62	17

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of November was 7,853:25.

(A.T. Chesson) S/L,  
Commanding Officer, R.C.A.F. Personnel,  
#6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask., Canada.

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Dec. 1/43 1700

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u> R.C.A.F.	58	47	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL</u> <u>(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>			
C.D.C.	1	2	
TOTAL STAFF	59	49	
<u>TRAINEES</u> R.C.A.F.	1	227	
R.A.F.		84	
TOTAL	1	311	

Posting instructions received for Course 91 and they were despatched as follows: 27 posted to #11 S.F.T.S., Yorkton, 10 to #41 S.F.T.S., Weyburn, and 18 to #12 S.F.T.S., Brandon. Full day flying lost due to high winds. Ground school normal.

Dec. 2/43 1700 J36264 P/O E.W.C. Young (GL) TOS on posting from #3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ont., Flying training and ground school normal.

Dec. 3/43 1700 J23077, F/O Ralph Nicolaus Grest (GL) (SR) died in the Victoria Hospital, Prince Albert, at 1225 hours as the result of injuries sustained in flying accident of November 24/43. J36249, P/O J.R. Stacey (GL) TOS on posting from #3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ont. C14589, F/O W.S. Martin, Command Investigation Officer, returned to #2 T.C., Winnipeg, by rail. Flying was washed out in the afternoon due to high winds. Ground school normal.

Dec. 4/43 1700 Full day flying lost due to high winds. Ground school normal.

Dec. 5/43 1700 Funeral Services were held at Hamiltons' Funeral Home at 1710 hours for the late F/O R.N. Grest. The service was conducted by the Rev. R.D. Tannahill. Remains were escorted to the train and were forwarded to Watrous, Sask., for interment. J22998, F/O D.R. McLeod proceeded as escort to the remains.

Dec. 6/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

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Dec. 7/43 1700 C5381, F/O R.W. Moss arrived by air from #4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, for the purpose of conducting classification tests for R.C.A.F. ground personnel at this station. He departed by air at 1600 hours. One half day flying lost due to high winds. Ground school normal.

Dec. 8/43 1700 J22998, F/O D.R. McLeod returned from temporary duty at Watrous, Sask. Flying training and ground school normal.

Dec. 9/43 1700 J10752, F/O A. Giles SOS on posting to #3 B&G School, MacDonald, Man. R-211863, LAC Mills, G.O.H., R-211709, LAC Fyfe, W.G. and R-219876, LAC Rea, J. (UT Flight Engineers) SOS on porting to #16 S.F.T.S., Hagersville, Ont. Half day flying last due to high winds. Ground school normal.

Dec. 10/43 1700 C4475, F/L Abrahamson, Command Link Training Officer, and C8236, F/L Manly, H.C., Command A/C Recognition Officer, arrived on temporary duty from #2 Training Command by air, departing by air at 1630 hours. Flying training and ground school normal.

Dec. 11/43 1700 J23432, P/O G.A. Rowland returned from temporary duty at Windsor, Ont., and Detroit, Mich. No flying due to high winds. Ground school normal.

Dec. 12/43 1700 Roman Catholic Church Parade held at 0730 hours in the Navigation Classroom.

Dec. 13/43 1700 Thirty airman of the draft of 59 U.T. Pilots which arrived here November 28 commenced flying training as Course 96 Five U.T. Airmen arrived from #4 I.T.S., Edmonton, to be included in the storage group. Flying training and ground school normal.

Dec. 14/43 1700 Air Vice Marshal T.A. Lawrence, A.O.C., #2 T.C., arrived by air and delivered a Christmas message to the station personnel in the Sports Hangar at 1115 hours. He departed by air at 1330 hours. Flying training and ground school normal.

Dec. 15/43 1700 R-62850, T/WO2 McNair, J.A. and R-113186, T/WO2 Goin, J.W., appointed Pilot Officers (GL). R-168212, A/Sgt. Bygrave, V.H., L.T.I. "A", TOS on posting from #1 I.F.S., Deseronto, Ont. Flying training and ground school normal.

Dec. 16/43 1700 Four ceased training Airman appeared before the unit reselection board and

were reselected as follows: One as navigator: three for ground duties. The navigator was posted to #12 S.F.T.S., Brandon, two R.C.A.F. Airmen were posted to #2 Manning Depot, Brandon, and the remaining airman, R.A.F., was posted to #5 Manning Depot, Lachine, Que. Flying training and ground school normal.

Dec. 17/43 1700 Flying training and ground school normal.

Dec. 18/43 1700 C1105, S/L S.A. Bushell (Aux) (GL) TOS on posting from #23 E.F.T.S. to assume position of C.F.I. Ground school and flying training normal.

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Dec. 19/43 1700 Roman Catholic Church parade held in the navigation classroom at 0730 hours.

Dec. 20/43 1700 Salvation Army Recreation Hut being decorated for Christmas party. Flying training and ground school normal.

Dec. 21/43 1700 S/L S.A. Bushell (C1105) assumed temporary command of station during absence of S/L A.T. Chesson (C877). Due to darkness in the morning flying starts at 0815 and ends at 1700 hours. Flying continues right through lunch hours in shifts. Flying training and ground school normal. F/O T.H. Waddell (C21779) #2 T.C. Armament Officer, made visit to station.

Dec. 22/43 1700 F/O J.A. Whalen (C14264), Administrative Officer, reported for duty to replace F/L A.W. Sankey who has been posted for aircrew training. Party held in Salvation Army Hut for all airmen on station. Flying training and ground school normal.

Dec. 23/43 1700 Course 92 graduated with output of 53 students. Forty-two posted to #12 S.F.T.S., Brandon, 11 to #4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon. The original intake was 60 airman and the adjusted intake 62. There were nine ceased trainees which amounted to wastage of 14.51%. Eight of these were reselected for further aircrew duties and posted to #2 Manning Depot, Brandon. The other student, LAC Paul Roger McLean, was killed in flying accident November 24/43. Christmas leave started after duty December 23rd for entire station. Assistant C.F.I., A/F/L A.W. Moffatt appointed to temporary rank this date. Flying training and ground school normal.

Dec. 24/43 1700 Christmas leave.

Dec. 25/43 1700 “

Dec. 26/43 1700 “

Dec. 27/43 1700 “

Dec. 28/43 1700 “

Dec. 29/43 1700 S/L S.A. Bushell (C1105) assumes command of this station. Flying training and ground school normal. S/L A.T. Chesson (C877) SOS to G.R. Course at Summerside, P.E.I., reporting January 1/44. Personnel reported back from Christmas leave. Those reporting late without legitimate excuses placed on charge. Forty-three orderly room cases covering students

reporting in late. Weather mild; good for flying. Grand school normal.

Dec. 30/43 1700 Three officer instructors posted to #35 E.F.T.S., Neepawa, Man. They are P/O J.R. Stacey (J36249), P/O H.M. Clarke (J25227) and F/O F.S. McNabb (J22997). F/L W.J. Hind (J5802) returned from course at #3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ont.

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Dec. 31/43 1700 New Year's Eve party held in Officer's Mess — good attendance, dancing and supper. Party also held in N.C.O.'s Mess — good attendance, dancing and refreshments. P/O A.J. McMurdy (J28636) posted to #35 E.F.T.S., Neepawa, Man. Two instructors, F/L W.A. Qua (J8647) and F/O H.C. Hicks (J23039) posted to #3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ont., for refresher course. F/O D.S. Baker (J20022) appointed Senior flying Officer to brush up junior officers on Mess etiquette and rules concerning the Mess generally.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>		<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>	R.C.A.F.	53	43	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL</u> <u>(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>				
	C.D.C.	1	2	2
	TOTAL	54	45	2
<u>TRAINEES</u>	R.C.A.F.		119	
	R.A.F.		82	
	TOTAL		201	

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH

	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
<u>TYPE: TIGER MOTH</u>	53	8

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of December was 5775:25 hours.

(S.A. Bushell) S/L,  
Commanding Officer, R.C.A.F. Personnel,  
#6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask., Canada.

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Jan. 1/44 1700



<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>		<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>	R.C.A.F.		53	43
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>				
	C.D.C.		1	2
	TOTAL STAFF		54	2
<u>TRAINEES</u>	R.C.A.F.		119	
	R.A.F.		82	
	TOTAL		201	

New Year's Day — Station closed. Flying Officer C.B. Bruce (J13490) Navigation Instructor (P) awarded A. F.C. - New Year Honour List.

Jan. 2/44 1700 Snow flurries - flying washed out most of the day. Roman Catholic Church Parade in Navigation Room.

Jan. 3/44 1700 Cold flying weather in afternoon. First real snowfall of the year in the morning. P.O. J.H. Spalding (J37570) new instructor reported in from No. 3 F.I.S. Arnprior. P.T. period held for officers in morning due to flying being washed out.

Jan. 4/44 1700 Snow flurries - flying washed out for part of day. F.L. T.W. Saunders (C8496) No. 2 T.C. Reselection Board Specialist visited station. Bowling League back in full swing again after holidays.

Jan. 5/44 1700 Flying Officer W.H.A. Thomas (C4473) reported in for duty as O.C. Link Trainer Section. He was formerly stationed at No. 3 Wireless School, Winnipeg, Man.. Reselection Board sitting on three C.T. cases. F.L. A.R. Rose acting as President. No. 2 T.C. Reselection Specialist, F.L. T.W. Saunders sat in on board proceedings. Navigation Examinations held in the morning at G.I.S. for Course No. 93. Good flying weather. Disposition of Reselected Aircrew as follows:

U194689 LAC Hinch, L.G. - Remustered Flight Engr. - posted 16 SFTS Hagersville, Ont.

R101178 LAC Boothman, T. Posted No. 2 "M" D. Brandon, Man. for reselection.

R161245 LAC Pickup, E.W. Remustered Air Gunner "S" - Posting advice to be received.

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Jan. 6/44 1700 Coldest weather yet this year, 30° below zero at 0800 hrs. Airmanship examinations being held in G.I.S. for Course No. 93. Three of our instructors joined the ranks of

the married whilst on Christmas Leave; P.O. B.E. Latremouille (J26219), P.O. E.W.C. Young (J36264), P.O. A.S. Forbes (J26459). Patches of steer manure spread on aerodrome to assist pilots in landing on unbroken snow surface. Two civilian stenographers hired because of posting of personnel from Orderly Room staff.

Jan. 7/44 1700 Good flying weather. F.L. A.T. Parkes of A.F.H.Q. arrived by air for discussion on Pre-rehabilitation. Enlightening conference held with him at which the manager, C.F.I., A/C.F.I, and Admin. Officer attended. Both squadrons hard at it to make up for any lost flying time due to adverse weather.

Jan. 8/44 1700 Weather again good for flying - slightly milder. All courses up to par on flying schedule. Hockey game tonight at Minto Arena in Prince Albert. Informal Saturday night party held in Officers' Mess. Fair Number of officers with wives and friends attended. Capt. Robson, S.A. Auxiliary Officer reports better attendance at movies in auditorium since he changed the time of shows from 1900 hrs. to 1800 hrs.

Jan. 9/44 1700 Good flying weather - flying programme in operation for all flights this Sunday to catch up. R.C. Church Parade held at 0730 hrs. in Navigation room - G.I.S.

Jan. 10/44 1700 Excellent flying weather - temperature about zero. Officers from No. 122 C.A.B.T.C. visited unit to discuss cold weather testing plan in operation there to which some R.C.A.F. personnel have been attached. P.T. classes held in Recreation Hangar from 1700 to 1800 hrs. for officers. Sergeants' Mess meeting held.

Jan. 11/44 1700 Good flying weather, Reselection Board met with F.L. A.T. Moffatt acting as President. One C.T. R256194 LAC Ernst, C.L., posted No. 2 "M" Depot for reselection to Ground Duties. S.L. S.A. Bushell, (C1105), C.F.I., visited No. 122 C.A.B.T.C. to consult with officers in charge of cold weather testing unit there.

Jan. 12/44 1700 Airmanship exams, held in G.I.S. for Course No. 94. Good flying weather. Officers' Mess Dinner held. All officers on duty attended. F.O. C.B, Bruce congratulated on his award of A.F.C. Station notified that 118 R.A.F. airmen posted here eff. 15th Jan. 1944.

Jan. 13/44 1700 Navigation exams, held in G.I.S. for Course No. 94. S/L H.H. McFarlane, No. 2 T.C. Command Chap.(P) visited the unit and conferred with Mr. E. Rawlinson, the Manager, C.O. S/L S.A. Bushell and Part-time Chaplain Bishop Martin. P.O. S.H. Millar (C26876) posted to refresher Course at No. 11 S.F.T.S., Yorkton, Sask, prior to proceeding overseas. The good flying weather still holds. Mild today. F.O. J.A. Whalen (C14264) Adjutant and P.O. W.A. Murphy (C24444) inspected Air Cadets at P.A. Collegiate.

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Jan. 14/44 1700 Commanding Officer's Parade and inspection at 0800 hrs. Course 93 graduated with output of 59 students. Fifty posted to No. 10 S.F.T.S. Dauphin, Man., nine to No. 39 S.F.T.S. Swift Current, Sask. Original intake was 60 airmen and the adjusted intake 63. There were four

ceased trainees which amounted to a wastage of 6.35%. Three of these were judged unfit for further aircrew training and the remaining one reselected Air Gunner "S". Two were posted to No. 2 "M" D. Brandon, one to No. 5 "M" D. Lachine, P.Q., and one to No. 16 S.F.T.S., Hagersville, Ont. Pay Parade for all ranks held in No. 7 Hangar. Forty-eights inaugurated for Flying Squadrons on alternate Fridays after duty. All flying up to schedule now. Good flying weather again today.

Jan. 15/44 1700 Good weather still holds. One Squadron on 48-hr. pass. One hundred and nineteen airmen (R.A.F.) reported in from No. 31 P.D., Moncton, N.B. The senior 26 will make up class 98 together with four airmen already held here on storage. Programme of employment, study and P.T. and drill started for the balance. One officer trainee reported in, he is F/L G. Whitlam (44559) (RAF) from No. 31 Air Navigation School, Port Albert, Ont. Saturday night informal party held in Officers' Mess, good attendance.

Jan. 16/44 1700 Sunday. No flying in the morning. Church Parade at 1100 hrs. in Auditorium. H/F/L Martin (C5236) (Chap.(P)) conducted service. Large attendance (300) Auditorium filled by officers and students as well as Mr. E. Rawlinson the Manager, and some of the civilian employees. Bishop Martin remarked it was the best Church Parade held yet on the station. Flying all afternoon. Weather still holds good. Mild. Sing-song held in afternoon in Salvation Army Auditorium, conducted by W. Ross and Salvation Army.

Jan. 17/44 1700 Everyone back on job and well pleased now that 48's in effect. Good flying weather. F/L W.A. Qua(J8647) reported back from taking course at No.3 F.I.S. Arnprior. More than 200 attended movies shown in S.A. Recreation Centre. Some of the officers enjoyed a skiing party in the evening. F/L W.C. Guest (C10201) S.M.O. showed a movie in S.A. Recreation Centre to a number of personnel on nutrition. Pamphlets were distributed after the show.

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Jan. 18/44 1700 Good flying weather. All courses now up to schedule. F.O. H.C. Hicks (J23039) reported back to unit after attending short course at No. 3 F.I.S., Arnprior, Ont. Cpl. Caswell H.W. (R155722) returned from attending course at Trenton. He is now remustered to P.T. & D. Instructor "B". Dress rehearsal held in auditorium for coming stage show. Station ping pong team made up of six L.A.C.'s defeated Prince Albert Firemen in City League game held in Prince Albert Fire Hall.

Jan. 19/44 1700 Weather still holds good. Three new Pilot Officer Instructors posted here from No. 3 F.I.S Arnprior, Ont., J37602 P.O. G.F.J. Jones, P.O. A.W. Love (J37620), J38042 P.O. W.E. Harrison, also one Sergeant-pilot Instructor, R.169802 Sgt. Longo, J.L.A. This now makes 60 officers on strength of unit. Movies shown in S.A. Recreation Centre, 200 in attendance. Monthly Mess Meeting held by Officers' Mess.

Jan. 20/44 1700 Flying washed out for the day due to high winds. Reselection Board held, F.L. A.W. Moffatt (J4907) President. R80394 Sgt. Sanderson, W.G. remustered to basic trade of Clerk

Steno. "A" and held pending posting instructions. P.T. Class for officers held due to flying being washed out. Stage show put on in the evening in Salvation Army Auditorium by Station Dramatic Society under direction of Mr. A. Bergstrom. The Manager, Mr. E.A. Rawlinson gave a short talk before performance. About 300 students and members of staff attended. All voted show as being good and everyone enjoyed themselves. C.F.I. - S.L. S.A. Bushell (C1105) returned to duty after being in bed with a bad cold. Mrs. M. Boltus of the Saskatchewan War Services Library Committee has now completed setting up a station library of 1000 volumes for the airmen. She has worked here since 17th January, 1944 in co-operation with Capt. Robson, Salvation Army Aux. Officer and as a result the unit now boasts a most excellent library.

Jan. 21/44 1700 Weather good for flying again today although slightly windy but continues mild. One half of each Squadron away tonight on 48-hr pass now that flying schedule is up to par. Students given 36-hr passes because they have to write exams in G.I.S. in morning of 22nd. Commanding Officer's Parade and inspection held at 0815 hrs. Drill hall filled to capacity account of number of extra airmen held in storage here.

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Jan. 22/44 1700 Weather good for flying again. Change in weather has caused a lot of colds among personnel on station. Half of personnel on 48-hr. pass. Station very quiet. An all-star Hockey team including four men from this school met and defeated the Air Force team from Saskatoon. Players of both teams were guests of the Management of the Northern Sask. Flying Training School at a luncheon at the Princess Cafe. Movies were shown at the Salvation Army Rec. Centre and were well attended.

Jan. 23/44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic Church Parade in Navigation classroom. No flying to-day all courses ahead of required schedule.

Jan. 24/44 1700 Commanding Officer and A/C.F.I. paid visit to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon to consult on training matters. Fair weather. All flights flying. Movies shown at S.A. Recreation centre.

Jan. 25/44 1700 Weather again good for flying - mild. S.L. R.W. Laing (C1433) of No. 2 T.C. Equip. Section visited station an inspection visit. Tuesday night bowling league draws capacity crowd. A variety concert put on at S.A. Rec. hall. The Prince Albert War Auxiliary Concert Party under direction of Mr. Frank Culp. Show was well received by good-sized audience. F.L. H.W. Church (J5977) who was killed in flying accident at 36 O.T.U., Greenwood, N.S. 18th January buried to-day with full military honours in South Hill Cemetery, Prince Albert. Service held at St. Alban's Church and conducted by H/F/L H.D. Martin (C5236). F.L. W.A. Qua (J6647) officer i/c funeral parade composed of six Flying Officers as supporting party, six Warrant Officers II as bearer party and escort party made up of thirty airmen. Cpl. Caswell, H.W. (R155722) in charge of firing party of ten airmen. Church filled to capacity.

Jan. 26/44 1700 Good flying weather - still mild. W.C. G.M. Minard (C2114) (A.E.) of No. 2 T.C. paid visit to station. Conference held composed of Mr. E. Rawlinson (Mgr.) S.L. S.A.

Bushell, C.O., W.C. Minard and S.L. Laing of No. 2 T.C. Discussion centered around change over of moths to Cornells for this unit.

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Jan. 27/44 1700 Notified to-day that another 58 airmen posted here for storage. This will make total of 177 in last two weeks. Difficult to find employment for so many but can always give them P.T. and Drill. Weather again perfect for flying. All courses well ahead of schedule. Party in Airmen's Mess for Course No. 94. W.O.I. Stan, N. acted as Chairman. Addresses given by Mr. Rawlinson, S.L. Bushell, F.L. Ross. Course was described by speakers as one of the worst that ever went through the school and regarded as a wonder that such a course could ever include so many fine individual students. Good time had by all. Refreshments, cigarettes, sandwiches, etc., served buffet style.

Jan. 28/44 1700 Good weather still holds. Course 94 graduated with output of 57 pupils. Fifty-five posted to No. 2 T.C. reporting to Estevan Sask. for holding, one posted No. 2 S.F.T.S., Uplands, Ont and one posted No. 1 S.F.T.S., Camp Borden, Ont. The original intake was 60 airman, adjusted intake 64 airmen. There were seven ceased trainees which amounted to a wastage of 10.94%. Three were adjudged unfit for further aircrew training and were posted to No. 2 "M" D., Brandon, Man., one remustered Air Gunner and posted #3 B.& G. School, Macdonald, one remustered to basic trade Clerk Steno. "A" and held pending posting instructions, one reselected Navigator and posted 12 S.F.T.S. Brandon, Man.

Jan. 29/44 1700 No Flying - 48 in effect for all R.C.A.F. personnel except for those on duty watch. Fire Drill held at 10:15 hrs.

Jan. 30/44 1700 Station on 48-hr. pass, except for those on duty watch.

Jan. 31/44 1700 All personnel back to work full of pep after enjoying 48-hr. pass. Good flying weather. F.O. D.C. Hodson (C26522) No. 2 T.C. arrived to conduct trade tests. P.T. class for officers from 1700 hrs to 1800 hrs.

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<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
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<u>STAFF</u>			
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R.C.A.F.			
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	58		
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		46	
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<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL,</u>			
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(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)

C.D.C.

1	2	3
59	48	3

TRAINEES

R.C.A.F.

18

R.A.F.

1

229

1

247

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:

	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
<u>TYPE:</u> Tiger Moth	62	5

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of January, 1944 was 6828:00 hrs.

(S.A. Bushell) Squadron Leader  
Commanding Officer RCAF Personnel,  
No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask.

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1 Feb./44 1700

PERSONNEL STRENGTH   OFFICERS   AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS   CIVILIANS

STAFF

R.C.A.F.

58

46

SERVICE PERSONNEL,  
(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)

C.D.C.

1

2

3

TOTAL

59

48

3

TRAINEES

R.C.A.F.

18

R.A.F.

1

229

TOTAL

1

247

Good flying weather, mild, fifty-eight R.A.F. airmen arrived from Moncton to be held in storage pool. E. Rawlinson, Manager, left for Ottawa to attend meeting of Managers of Civilian operated schools, also meeting of Canadian Flying Clubs.

2 Feb./44 1700 Weather continues mild, flying conditions good. A well-attended Church service was held in the Salvation Army Auditorium conducted by Honorary F.L. Martin, Station Protestant Chaplain. The Station Hockey team participated in a regular league game.

3 Feb./44 1700 Weather overcast, light snow in afternoon. Flying continued all day. F.L. Airey of No. 2 Training Command reported in by air from No. 19 EFTS to discuss training problems with station officials. Movies were shown in the Recreation centre featuring "The More the Merrier" and latest newsreels.

4 Feb./44 1700 Flying conditions good. Weather dropped to -10° F.. F.L. Airey of No. 2 Training Command departed by air for Winnipeg after completing consultations with station officials. Regular weekly Commanding Officers' Parade and Inspection was cancelled because drill hall floor is being reconditioned and is unfit for use. Movies were shown at the Recreation centre featuring "Sundown" and latest newsreels.

5 Feb./44 1700 Flying hours being ahead of schedule, flying over the week-end was washed out and all flying personnel were given a "forty-eight". The weather has warmed up again.

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6 Feb./44 1700 A quiet Sunday, weather good, temperature moderate. A Church Parade for Roman Catholics was held in the Navigation Class Room. LAC Beddoes reported the loss of seventy dollars which appeared to have been stolen from his wallet while his jacket was lying in the Recreation Lounge Room.

7 Feb./44 1700 The weather turned stormy, cold with snow. Flying washed out except for a short period of "dual only" at about 1300 hours when the clouds raised a bit. The Salvation Army Recreation Centre was officially opened. Those taking part included Mr. Harry Holroyde, Vice President of NSFTS, S.L. S.A. Bushell, F.O. Hall of No. 2 Training Command, Mr. G. Brock, Mayor of Prince Albert, Lt. Col. Wm. Oake of The Salvation Army, Winnipeg, Brigadier W.J. Carruthers of The Salvation Army, Regina, Hon. F.L. Martin, Capt. I. Robson. Brigadier Carruthers acted as chairman and Hon. F.L. Martin dedicated the new centre. After the opening Ceremony an excellent variety program was given as a demonstration of what could be expected in the way of future programs. Those assisting in the program included the Civilian Company Dramatic Society, a Concert Croup from Prince Albert, Sgt. McDonald, Navigation Instructor, and Capt. Robson. The program concluded with coffee and sandwiches served by The Salvation Army ladies. A sum of money was found hidden between the box and zinc lining of a toilet box. This is believed to include the money lost Sunday evening.

8 Feb./44 1700 Weather cleared up again. Temperature -10° F.. Good flying conditions. Our ping-pong team defeated No. 2 team of No. 122 C.A.(B) Training Command in a regular league

game played at our Recreation Centre.

9 Feb./44 1700 Weather continues cold, flying conditions are good. F.L. McCallum and F.L. Thompson from No. 2 Training Command visited this Unit to inspect the fire prevention equipment. A fire drill was executed at about 1330 hours for the benefit of these officers. S.L. Hobbs of No. 2 Training Command Works and Buildings visited this Unit and discussed the work of the Works and Buildings Department here with Mr. Meade, the Unit Engineer.

10 Feb./44 1700 Weather very cold, -32° F., flying conditions, except for cold weather, good. A committee from the nurses home at the Provincial Sanatorium requested over the telephone that we supply ten men for their dance this evening. P.O. Goin, who had previous experience in this regard, undertook to supply their requirements. Weekly visit made to Prince Albert Air Cadets by Cpl. Caswell.

11 Feb./44 1700 Weather clear and extremely cold, -40° F.. Flying washed out until noon on account of wind and coldness. Flying as usual in afternoon. Three more Moth aircraft ferried to No. 8 Repair Depot, Winnipeg. F.S. Timms, special investigator of No. 2 Training Command arrived to carry out investigation re theft case.

12 Feb./44 1700 Weather much milder to-day, 20° F.. Snow flurries in morning. Forty-eights in effect for flying squadrons. Dinner Dance held in Officers' Mess. Meal served at 1930 hours followed by dancing. (Cont.)

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12 Feb./44 1700 Good attendance and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Mess was (Cont.) attractively decorated in keeping with St. Valentine's Day by members of entertainment Committee.

13 Feb./44 1700 Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Class Room. Quiet day on Station. Weather milder.

14 Feb./44 1700 Weather good for flying but somewhat colder. F.L. A. Ross (J9633), Officer Commanding No. 2 Squadron posted to Central Flying School, Trenton, Ontario to Elementary Visiting Flight. Flying Wing here now re-organized into one Squadron with four Instructional Flights, one Testing Flight and one Navigation Flight.

15 Feb./44 1700 Mr. E. Rawlinson, Manager, returned to Unit to-day from Ottawa, Ontario where he attended Convention of Civilian operated flying schools. P.O. A.F. Kerr (C12147), Command Education Officer, visited Unit to inspect educational facilities and consult with the Commanding Officer and Station Education Officer. Flying weather fair - weather slightly milder today. Full attendance at weekly bowling league in Prince Albert Bowladrome.

16 Feb./44 1700 Flying washed out in morning account poor visibility and winds. Washed in in afternoon but no night flying on account of high winds. F.L. W.C. Guest, S.M.O., left on



temporary duty for No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg to attend Command Conference of Medical Officers. F.L. J.M. Newstone (C9706) of No. 7 Initial Training School, Saskatoon, reported in to relieve F.L. Guest.

17 Feb./44 1700 Flying washed out for entire day - extremely cold - -37° F. at 0800 hours. Snow in afternoon. F.L. F.E. Horton (C9996), No. 2 Training Command Physical Training and Drill Officer visited Unit for the day to discuss physical training and drill problems. F.O. F.E. McLaren, DFC (J17371) of No. 2 Training Command visited Unit today accompanied by F.L. Horton. He is organizing "Gen" Clubs at all Units and also leadership program. He had lengthy discussion with Commanding Officer, Asst. Chief Flying Instructor and Manager regarding this for the Unit. Full co-operation is to be given and program as outlined will be introduced on the Station. Advantage was taken to-day of washout weather to conduct Aircraft Recognition lectures and written examination for all Instructors. Physical Training period from 1700 to 1800 hours for Officers. Church Service for all personnel held at 1900 hours - conducted by H.F.L. H.D. Martin, part time Chaplain (P).

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18 Feb./44 1700 Commanding Officer's weekly parade and inspection resumed after repairs made to floor in No. seven Recreation Hangar. Weather milder to-day, fair for flying. Snow rollers again at work after snowfall which caused drifts on aerodrome. F.O. E.A. Burn, DFC, Link Trainer Instructor reported in from No. 2 Training Command to be Link Instructor on this Unit.

19 Feb./44 1700 Weather comparatively mild all day. Flying Instruction continued all day except for a short period in the afternoon when it was washed out on account of low clouds and snow. F.O. Anderson and P.O. Barclay ferried Moth aircraft to Winnipeg.

20 Feb./44 1700 Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Class Room. Flying instruction washed out for the day. Courses well ahead of schedule.

21 Feb./44 1700 Good flying weather all day. RCAF Swing Time Entertainment Unit under F.O. C.E. Ashdown (C13504) reported in from No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon. All airman in Unit were put up in N.C.O.'s quarters and F.O. Ashdown in Officers' Quarters. Final arrangements being completed for first show to be hold tomorrow in Salvation Army Auditorium. H.F.L. H.D. Martin part time Chaplain (P) is leaving City for a few days. Canon Noble will be acting Chaplain during Bishop Martin's absence.

22 Feb./44 1700 Weather slightly colder but good flying weather up until 1500 hours when flying washed out for the day on account of heavy snowfall. (J4907) F.L. A.W. Moffatt, Asst Chief Flying Instructor, leaves tomorrow to take Senior Instructors Refresher Course at Central Flying School, Trenton, Ontario. Reselection Board Meeting to-day to hear four ceased training cases. One reselected as navigator and posted No. 12 SFTS, Brandon, one reselected as Air Gunner and held pending posting instruction, one RCAF trainee medically unsuitable for further aircrew training and posted No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon, and one RAF trainee found medically

unsuitable for aircrew and posted No. 5 Manning Depot, St. Hubert, P.Q.. A packed house of more than 300 saw the splendid show put on by the RCAF Swing Time Unit. The performance started at 1930 hours lasting over two hours and was for Service personnel only. All members and acts were soundly applauded and numerous encores were requested. When F.O. C.E. Ashdown, officer in charge of the show asked for some local colour, S.L. S.A. Bushell, Commanding Officer, offered to sing. After his first song the Commanding Officer drew so much applause that he had to sing another number which was equally well received. The evening was voted a great success by the capacity audience and it is hoped that more entertainment of a similar nature will soon be forthcoming.

23 Feb./44 1700 Fair flying weather all day. All flights hard at work. Monthly Mess Meeting held in Officers' Mess at 1230 hours. Inspection party of No. 2 Training Command Officers arrived by air at 1430 hours. S.A.S.O. (C.1) G.C. J.S. Scott consulted with the Manager and Commanding Officer on training and general matters and also made short tour of the Station. He was accompanied by S.L. J. McCulloch (C1340), in charge Ground School Instruction at No. 2 Training Command, S.L. C. Parker (C2608). (Cont.)

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23 Feb./44 1700 Command A.P.M., F.L. R.P. Airey (J4917) T.F.2, F.L. W.M. Warner (C4592), (Cont'd) in charge Link at No. 2 Training Command and F.O. H.F. Hall (C14585), Auxilliary Services of No. 2 Training Command. The party members all visited their pertinent sections of the Unit. Visitors departed by air at 1530 hours for No. 2 Training Command. W.C. J. Sharpe (C4072) P.MO. of No. 2 Training Command and F.L. J.C. Finley (C11412) MED. made routine medical inspection visit to Unit and departed by air for No. 4 SFTS at 1645 hours. Swing Time Unit again presented their fine show for civilian personnel. Capacity audience again saw performance.

24 Feb./44 1700 Mild to-day, weather again good for flying. Change in weather seems to have brought with it more cases of influenza. Several officers and airman including Commanding Officer S.L. S.A. Bushell ordered to bed by Medical Officer. F.L. J.D. Fitzsimmons (C2659) of No. 2 Training Command, Cadet Officer visited Unit. Accompanied by Cpl. Caswell, he inspected No. 38 (Prince Albert) Squadron Air Cadets at Prince Albert Collegiate. He reports cadets well drilled and squadron as a whole well turned out. Physical Training session for Officers held at 1700 hours. First meeting of "Gen" Club held in Salvation Army Recreation Hut. Due to illness of F.O. D.L. Baker in charge "Gen" Club, F.O. H.L. Burr took over and was assisted by F.O. Edworthy and F.L. Guest. About fifty students attended first meeting and informal discussions lasted for an hour and a half.

25 Feb./44 1700 Weather still mild. No flying until 0930 hours account poor visibility. Weekly Commanding Officer's parade and inspection held at 0815 hours. F.L. W.J. Hind (J5802) took the parade in absence of Commanding Officer who is still sick in bed with influenza. Pay parade at 1700 hours instead of 1330 hours as formerly so as not to interfere with flying schedules. Course 96 graduated and disposed of as follows: Original Intake - 3 RCAF and 27 RAF, Total 30. Adjusted intake - 34. Total Graduates - 33, 25 posted No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, and 8 posted No. 11

SFTS, Yorkton. One airman ceased training and found to be medically unfit for further aircrew training. He was posted to No. 2 Manning Depot, Brandon. One airman transferred to Course 97 due to illness. Wastage was 2.94%.

26 Feb./44 1700 Weather again mild at 12°F.. Commanding Officer back to work after short illness. Three more Moths ferried to No. 8 Repair Depot, Winnipeg. Quiet day on Station - forty-eights in effect. Sleighing party held in the evening for all members of Officers' Mess. About twenty officers with wives or girl friends attended. Refreshments served afterward in Mess. Informal dancing until 1200 hours.

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27 Feb./44 1700 Roman Catholic Church Parade in Navigation Class Room. Quiet day on Unit. F.O. B. Brammal and Medical Officer F.L. Guest flew blood samples to No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, at request of "L" Wing Cold weather testing Unit (RCAF) attached to No. 122 C.A.B.T.C. The samples came from personnel of "L" Wing stationed at Christopher Lake, Saskatchewan, about seventy-five miles from here where Unit is operating in the field.

28 Feb./44 1700 Weather mild but poor visibility in morning - light snow falls - flying washed out until 1300 hours. Flying in progress for balance of the day.

29 Feb./44 1700 Weather slightly colder with light winds - flying program in effect for all flights day and night. (G8496) F.L. T.W. Saunders of No. 2 Training Command visited Unit on Reselection matters. Reported everything very satisfactory. Red Cross Drive started on Unit with F.O. W.H.A. Thomas officer commanding Link Section in charge. (N.Z.1166) S.L. E.F. Harvie and (N.Z.40663) F.L. M..B. Stevens of New Zealand Liason Staff on visit to Unit to inspect RCAF Elementary program and get ideas on training from Canada for exchange with Royal New Zealand Air Force. Ping-pong tournament held in Salvation Army Recreation Centre at 1900 hours. Team of Students from the Unit defeated teams from Prince Albert Fire Hall and Prince Albert Penitentiary.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>			
R.C.A.F.	60	44	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>			
C.D.C.	1	2	3
TOTAL STAFF	61	46	3
<u>TRAINEES</u>			
R.C.A.F.		22	
R.A.F.	1	191	
TOTAL TRAINEES	1	213	

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:

<u>TYPE:</u>	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Tiger Moth	53	7

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of February, 1944 was 3731:50.

(S.A. Bushell) Squadron Leader  
Commanding Officer RCAF Personnel,  
No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask.

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1 Mar./44 1700

PERSONNEL STRENGTH    OFFICERS    AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS    CIVILIANS

STAFF

R.C.A.F.	60	44	
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SERVICE PERSONNEL,  
(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)

C.D.C.	1	2	3
TOTAL	61	46	3

TRAINEES

R.C.A.F.		22
R.A.F.	1	191
TOTAL	1	213

A meeting was held in Navigation Room under chairmanship of the Commanding Officer for the purpose of instituting the "Trainee Leadership Training" programme. Flight Commanders F.O. Bruce, AFC., Navigation Flight, F.O. Burr, Officer Commanding Testing Flight, and other Flight Commanders were constituted a Committee which, with the help of all the instructional staff, is to draw up a trainee leadership training programme and submit same to the Commanding Officer in one week. Flying washed out for entire day on account of snow and poor visibility. Lectures for Students - Physical Training Classes for Officers. Commanding Officer consulted with New Zealand Liaison Officers on training matters.

2 Mar./44 1700 Weather fair - snow rollers at work levelling off aerodrome after heavy snowfall. Flying training resumed at 1000 hours. Commanding Officer and Adjutant carried out inspection of No. 38 (Prince Albert) Squadron Air Cadets. Nine girl cadets awarded "props". Marionette show staged by Arnold Bergstrom of Civilian Staff for students. Show held at 1900 hours in Salvation Army Recreation Centre, Good attendance. Church Parade held at 1900 hours - service conducted by H.F.L. H.D. Martin (Protestant Chaplain).

3 Mar./44 1700 Flying washed in at 0930 hours. Light snow and poor visibility prior to this time. Weather again milder. F.O. Edworthy and F.O. Tibbitt returned to Unit having been away since 26th February, when they ferried two more Moths to No. 8 Repair Depot, Winnipeg - were grounded near Yorkton on account of bad weather. F.O. D.L. Baker reported good attendance at second meeting of "Gen" Club (Cont.)

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3 Mar./44 1700 held last night in Salvation Army Recreation Centre.  
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4 Mar./44 1700 Weather again mild - good for flying. One half Flying Squadron on regular "forty-eight". Twenty-nine more students arrived in at 0825 hours from No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, New Brunswick. They will be held in storage here pending entry in to a Course at later date. All students were RAF - twenty-eight LAC's and one Corporal. Medical Officer F.L. Guest called to M & C Aviation Company, when one of their employees was fatally stricken with a heart attack. Quiet day on Unit. Commanding Officer spoke to incoming RAF trainees.

5 Mar./44 1700 Sunday - Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Class Room. Weather much colder, -20° in early morning but rose to 4° F. by midafternoon. Good flying weather. Station Bonspeil held at Prince Albert Curling Rink. Sixteen rinks entered - curling in morning and afternoon with winning rink skipped by P.O. Palmer emerging as the winner of the Bonspeil after curling from 1000 hours until 2100 hours. There was good attendance and entries and a lot of interest in the event.

6 Mar./44 1700 Weather still cold, -15°. Clear - good flying weather. F.L. C.W. Stockridge (C22651) of Central Flying School, Trenton visited Unit to set up and check on Testing Flight. He consulted with the Manager, Mr. E. Rawlinson, Commanding Officer and Officers of Testing Flight. Course 97 (Senior Course) held their class party and dance. Addresses were given by the Manager, Commanding Officer, Chief Ground Instructor and Class Senior. Supper served in Sergeants' mess followed by a dance in Legion Hall, Prince Albert. Very successful evening. Red Cross drive canvassers report good progress with Service and Civilian personnel. Course 98 writing Ground School examinations.

7 Mar./44 1700 Cold again today, -17° at 0730 hours, but by mid-afternoon up to zero. Good flying weather - clear. Arrangements completed for fifty-one more students reporting in on 11th March. This time looks as if Students will be Canadians as they are reporting in from Initial Training Schools at Saskatoon and Regina. Officials of Salvation Army visited Unit and

reported our Salvation Army Recreation Centre the best one in Western Canada. Regular station bowling league held at Bowladrome, Prince Albert. Alleys packed as usual. Variety show staged by Civilian entertainers for Students in Salvation Army Recreation Centre at 2000 hours. Well attended - good entertainment, successful evening enjoyed by all. Course 98 writing Ground School examinations.

8 Mar./44 1700 Weather still cold but clear - good for flying. Eleven more students acted as blood donors today at Red Cross clinic F.O. W.H. Waddell (C21779) Armament Officer of No. 2 Training Command and F.O. E.C. Chute (C13568) Aircraft Recognition Officer of No. 2 Training Command paid station a visit and consulted with Chief Ground Instructor. Aircraft Recognition Test given to Senior Course by F.O. Chute. Reported satisfactory results. F.L. W.G. Heslop (C2552) of Navigation Visiting Flight from No. 1 Central Navigation School, Rivers on an official visit and inspection re (Cont.)

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8 Mar./44 1700 Navigation matters. Consulted with Mr. Rawlinson, Commanding Officer, (Cont.) Chief Ground Instructor and F.O. Bruce, Officer Commanding "Navigation" Flight.

9 Mar./44 1700 Weather much milder today, feels like the start of spring. Good flying weather. W.O.2 Vanziffle of Motor Transport Section, No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon reported in to driver test Service Police on the Unit. F.L. Heslop of "Nav" visiting flight departed for No. 4 SFTS - reported successful inspection, all in order. Course 97 graduated and disposed of as follows: Twenty-seven posted to No. 12 SFTS, Brandon. One posted to No. 5 SFTS, Brantford, Ontario. The original intake was thirty airmen, adjusted intake twenty-nine. There was one ceased trainee, the wastage percentage being 3.44%. This ceased trainee was reselected as an Air Gunner by the Unit Reselection Board, and posted to No. 3 B & G School, MacDonald, Manitoba.

10 Mar./44 1700 Flying washed out for entire day on account of very high winds - forty miles per hour. Ground School for students - Physical Training period in morning for Officers - Drill period for Officers in afternoon. Quiet day on Unit. Informal meeting held in Officers' Mess for information of new officers. F.L. Guest pointed out several pertinent matters of Mess etiquette.

11 Mar./44 1700 Stronger winds prevail - flying washed out for entire day. Colder today, -10° in morning. Fifty new students reported in, forty from Initial Training School at Regina and ten from No. 7 Initial Training School, Saskatoon. Among the students are six officers - five Wireless Air Gunner Flying Officers all remustered and back from Overseas and one Flight Lieutenant, formerly Equipment Officer at No. 11 SFTS, Yorkton, Saskatchewan. Informal party held in Officers' Mess - not very large attendance. Sergeants' Mess also held informal evening from 2100 hours to 2359 hours.

12 Mar./44 1700 Sunday, quiet day on Station. Roman Catholic Church Parade in Navigation Class Room. Weather still cold. One more student trainee Officer reported in from No. 7 Initial Training School, Saskatoon - S.L. P.E.R. Malcolm (C1044) remustered Equipment Officer from

No. 2 Training Command. This makes total of fifty-one trainees reporting in.

13 Mar./44 1700 Weather very cold, -35° at 0800 hours. Commanding Officer confined to quarters with bad cold. Flying training schedule in effect all day. New Course No. 102 composed of Officer trainees (Cont.)

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13 Mar./44 1700 and students from Storage Pool started on Course. Quiet day on station.  
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14 Mar./44 1700 Weather milder but still cold. Commanding Officer still sick in quarters. All flights hard at it to make up for washout days of last week. Regular Bowling League night for station personnel held at Prince Albert Bowladrome. Good attendance. Normal routine on Unit - quiet day. Red Cross collection completed on Unit. Service personnel contributed \$270.00. Station as a whole will contribute approximately \$600.00.

15 Mar./44 1700 Good flying weather all day - not so cold, W.O.2 Smythe of No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon reported in to handle clothing parade for Unit. This system much more satisfactory than our old system of getting clothing supplies from No. 7 Equipment Depot, Winnipeg. Sgt. McDonald, Chief Armament Instructor of this Unit today posted to aircrew. He has been on this Unit for the past two years. Another quiet and normal day on Unit.

16 Mar./44 1700 Flying washed out for entire day one-half hour after getting started at 0815 hours. Snow flurries and low ceiling. Fourteen of personnel went to Red Cross Blood Donors Clinic and gave blood. Church Service for Protestant personnel held in Salvation Army Recreation Centre at 1900 hours. Service conducted by Hon. F.L. Martin, part time Chaplain (P). Weekly meeting of "Gen" Club. Good attendance with F.O. D.L. Baker in charge. F.O. R.C. Gregg (J26243) left the Unit on embarkation leave prior to posting overseas, effective 1st April. Small farewell party hold for him in Officers' Mess.

17 Mar./44 1700 Somewhat colder but good flying weather. Commanding Officer still sick in quarters. Commanding Officer's Weekly Parade and Inspection taken by F.L. W.J. Hind in absence of Commanding Officer. In keeping with "Trainee Leadership" Training programme - students, acted as understudies to Officers at parade today.

18 Mar./44 1700 The weather was poor for flying, with a low ceiling and some snow. Half of the station was on a "forty-eight", the remaining trainees were kept in the circuit. The Officers' St. Patrick's dance was a decided success.

19 Mar./44 1700 The weather warmed up. The day was quiet, Roman Catholic Church Parade in the Navigation Room.

20 Mar./44 1700 The weather bright, and comparatively mild, good day for flying. Received a letter from the Air Attache of the British Embassy at Washington complaining of the discourteous

conduct of one of our airmen while visiting at the home of Mrs. Falconer Thomas of Minneapolis, Minn., and suggesting that a letter of apology be forwarded to the lady.

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21 Mar./44 1700 This first day of spring very springlike - water everywhere. Good flying weather. Our Service Police picked up A.W.1 Hilts. H.M. (W314637) of Uplands station on instructions from No. 2 Training Command. She was placed on the Canadian Pacific train for Uplands by Sgt. Smith. Cpl. Caswell attended a parade of the Air Cadets at the Collegiate at 2000 hours.

22 Mar./44 1700 Good flying in the morning, high winds caused flying to be washed out in the afternoon. F.L. Darragh and F.O. Church of No. 2 Training Command reported by air from No. 23 SFTS. They were accompanied by F.L. Manwaring, Chaplain at No. 23 SFTS.

23 Mar./44 1700 Flying washed out due to low clouds and icing, snow in the evening. Cpl. Caswell attended an Air Cadet Parade at the Collegiate. S.L. Wibberley and F.L. Horton (Physical Training and Drill) of Ottawa and Winnipeg respectively, reported in by air from No. 5 Bombing and Gunnery School, Dafoe. F.L. Lyons, Armament Officer of No. 2 Training Command arrived by rail. Pay parade for Course 98. The pay was meagre due to overpayment of flying pay - \$15.00 each. Advances or loans of \$15.00 each were made to eight airmen by Northern Saskatchewan Flying Training School to supplement meagre pay.

24 Mar./44 1700 Weather cold again, but good for flying. S.L. Hunter of No. 2 Training Command, Reselection Officer, flew in from No. 4 SFTS and left with the same aircraft after spending two hours in consultation with officials on this station. Course No. 98 graduated and was disposed of as follows: Twenty-eight posted to No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. One posted to No. 5 SFTS, Brantford, Ontario. There was one ceased trainee, the wastage percentage being 3.33%. This ceased trainee was found to be medically unfit for further aircrew duties, and was posted to No. 5 "M" Depot, St. Hubert, P.Q.

25 Mar./44 1700 Good flying, cold and clear, -15°. Flying washed out for the afternoon. W.C. Weaver, Chief Flying Instructor at No. 4 SFTS visited the station in an unofficial capacity on his way through the city. F.L. Whitlam of Course 98 posted to SFTS at Brantford, Ontario.

26 Mar./44 1700 Roman Catholic Church Parade in the Navigation Class Boom. Quiet day, no flying.

27 Mar./44 1700 Good flying weather, F.L. Crozier of No. 4 SFTS conducted pay parade at 1700 hours. F.L. Ross of No. 5 Visiting Flight arrived by air to make preliminary arrangements for testing the pilots (Cont.)

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27 Mar./44 1700 on this station. Course 103 started work. The Sports Committee met to



(Cont.) arrange for the Indoor Sports Meet as outlined by No. 2 Training Command.

28 Mar./44 1700 Good flying weather. F.L. Wylie, V.D. Control Officer of No. 2 Training Command reported in from No. 4 SFTS by air and spent two hours on the station in consultation with our officials. S.L. Codham and S.L. Running of No. 2 Training Command reported in via air from No. 5 Bombing and Gunnery School to discuss medical matters here. P.O. Turner, remustered Flight Engineer from overseas, attached to Course 103.

29 Mar./44 1700 Weather dull, flying in the forenoon, washed out in the afternoon. Some snow. S.L. Patton, F.L. Forbell, P.O. Sealer and Cpl. Davey, No. 5 Visiting Flight reported on the station. The Dental Officer reported one or two cases of "trench mouth" on the station and began a check up of all personnel showing suspicious symptoms.

30 Mar./44 1700 Cpl. Caswell attended a drill parade of the Air Cadets at the Collegiate. F.L. Martin conducted a church service for Protestant Personnel in the Recreation Hall at 1900 hours. Flying instruction continued all day.

31 Mar./44 1700 Weather poor for flying. Washed out except for the last two hours of the day. F.L. Murnaghan, from Deer Lodge Hospital reported in from Winnipeg by air, and left immediately after examining a case at the Penitentiary.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>			
R.C.A.F.	57	42	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>			
C.D.C.	1	1	3
TOTAL STAFF	<u>58</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>TRAINEES</u>			
R.C.A.F.	7	45	
R.A.F.		181	
TOTAL TRAINEES	<u>7</u>	<u>226</u>	

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:

TYPE	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Tiger Moth	65	2

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of March, 1944 was 3818:05 hours.

(S.A. Bushell) Squadron Leader

Commanding Officer RCAF Personnel,  
No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask.

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<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>			
R.C.A.F.	57	42	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>			
C.D.C.	1	1	3
TOTAL	58	43	3
 <u>TRAINEES</u>			
R.C.A.F.	7	45	
R.A.F.		181	
TOTAL	7	226	

Weather reasonably good. Flying instruction all day. Half the station away on "forty-eight's". Quiet day on Unit.

2 Apr./44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Class Room. Quiet day on Station. Notice received that F/L A.W. Moffatt, Assistant Chief Flying Instructor posted to Chief Instructor position at No. 23 EFTS, Davidson, Saskatchewan. F/L W.J. Hind promoted to Assistant Chief Flying Instructor.

3 Apr./44 1700 Weather warmer. Visiting Flight still checking students and Instructors. They expect to have this work completed shortly. Mess Dinner held in Officers' Mess. Farewell address made to F/L A.W. Moffatt, Assistant Chief Flying Instructor posted to No. 23 EFTS, Davidson, Saskatchewan.

4 Apr./44 1700 Weather much warmer, 42° above zero. Aerodrome showing signs of springlike weather - soft and wet. Visiting Flight completed their work at the Unit and expect to leave in morning. Final conference held with Officer Commanding Visiting Flight and the Manager and Commanding Officer. Flying washed out for entire day on account of wet condition of main aerodrome. Bowling League play-off tournament on knockout basis held at 1900 hours in Prince Albert Bowladrome - sixteen teams of five players competed. Winning team composed of Mr. Rawlinson, S/L S.A. Bushell, F/O J.A. Whalen, P/O A.H. Bent and WO2 L.H. Olson, losing team captained by Station Warrant Officer F/S Morris. Very enthusiastic crowd attended and final game not finished until 2359 hours.

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5 Apr./44 1700 Weather still mild, flying washed out because of wet condition of aerodrome. Programme of lectures, Physical Training and Drill instituted for all personnel to augment non-flying conditions. Commanding Officer also took all Instructors on two hour route march in morning. Course graduation party held in Sergeants' Mess. Addresses by Mr. Rawlinson, S/L Bushell and Chief Ground Instructor. F/L W.J. Hind, Assistant Chief Flying Instructor and F/O D.H. Burr, Officer Commanding Testing Flight took advantage of washout weather conditions to visit No. 5 EFTS, High River, Alberta and No. 31 EFTS, DeWinton, Alberta to inspect Testing and Instructional Flights in operation there on Cornells. The visit is being made prior to change over on this Unit from Tiger Moth aircraft to Cornells.

6 Apr./44 1700 Flying still washed out. Ground school, route marches, Physical Training and drill for all personnel. W/C A. Walmsley (C721), No. 2 Training Command Chief Signals Officer visited Unit on tour of inspection. Conferences held with Mr. Rawlinson the Manager, Commanding Officer, Chief Ground Instructor and Signals Instructor. He reported everything satisfactory and departed for No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan at 1400 hours. Thirty RCAF trainees in Storage Pool posted to No. 15 EFTS, Regina, Saskatchewan. Draft under supervision of Sgt. A. Bercovich. Course No. 99 graduated and was disposed of as follows: Fifteen posted to No. 11 SFTS, Yorkton, Saskatchewan, eight posted No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, and two posted No. 10 SFTS, Dauphin, Manitoba. There was one ceased trainee, the wastage percentage being 3.84%. This ceased trainee was reselected as a navigator, and posted No. 12 SFTS, Brandon, Manitoba.

7 Apr./44 1700 Field drying up somewhat but still unserviceable. Flying washed out. Weather mild - slight winds. F/L Wall (C3283) Medical Officer from No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan reported in to take over for F/L Guest, Station Medical Officer who is on a "forty-eight". Quiet day on Station. Fifteen RCAF trainees from Storage Pool posted to No. 23 EFTS, Davidson, Saskatchewan.

8 Apr./44 1700 Flying still washed out - "forty-eight's" given to all Instructors. Ground school and physical training and drill for students. Another quiet day on Unit. Informal party in Officers' Mess in evening - small attendance. F/L Hind and F/O Burr returned from visit to No. 5 EFTS, High River and No. 31 EFTS, DeWinton, Alberta.

9 Apr./44 1700 Easter Service held for Roman Catholic's in Navigation Class Room. An event of significant importance took place in the Officers' Mess at 1500 hours when a mass christening ceremony service was conducted by Honorary F/L H.D. Martin, part time Chaplain (Protestant). Seven children were christened, all being sons or daughters of members of the Mess. The proud parents were: F/L and Mrs. Hind, F/O and Mrs. D.R. McLeod, F/O and Mrs. Bowman, F/O and Mrs. McFarlane, F/O and Mrs. Gardner, F/O and Mrs. Kidd and Mr. and Mrs. K.B. Dundas (Civilian Chief Ground Instructor). Captain R. Partridge arranged for the service and he was ably assisted by Mrs. E.A. Rawlinson and Mrs. S.A. Bushell, The Mess was (Cont.)

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9 Apr./44 1700 attractively decorated with flowers and an altar set up for the Service. Buffett (Cont.) supper was served to all attending after completion of the ceremony. Bishop Martin congratulated Mr. Rawlinson and Captain Partridge for arranging the event which was most ably conducted.

10 Apr./44 1700 Still no flying on account of condition of aerodrome. All personnel on Physical Training, drill, lectures, route marches and organized sports. Another quiet day on Station. F/O M. Edworthy, flying instructor received notice of his posting to "Y" Depot and overseas.

11 Apr./44 1700 Weather still mild and field still unserviceable - flying still washed out. Quiet day on Unit.

12 Apr./44 1700 Field drying up and should be serviceable tomorrow, now a whole week since any flying done on the Unit. Ground school for all students now well ahead of schedule due to doubling up on account of weather conditions. Lectures, Physical Training and Drill and organized sports still in effect for officers.

13 Apr./44 1700 Flying training started at 0800 hours after more than a week of not flying. All courses hard at it to make up for lost time. Bad luck still pursues us - flying washed out at 1400 hours on account of high winds. Washout programme for Officers and students put into effect for afternoon period.

14 Apr./44 1700 Field in worse condition than ever on account of heavy rainfall - it is now a sea of mud. Flying washed out and washout programme still in effect except that it is now too muddy to have route marches. Commanding Officer's parade and inspection held in Drill Hall. Parade well turned out. Movies shown in afternoon for all ranks.

15 Apr./44 1700 Flying training still discontinued on account of unserviceable field. Half station on "forty-eight's". Quiet day on Unit.

16 Apr./44 1700 Still no flying - warm weather and field drying up fast. Instructors and students on lectures, physical training and route march programme.

17 Apr./44 1700 Flying started at 0800 hours - beautiful day - warm weather. Everyone glad to be back at it after (Cont.)

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17 Apr./44 1700 long lay off. All courses put in 268:40 hours today. Two more Cornells (Cont.) taken on strength today from No. 8 Repair Depot, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

18 Apr./44 1700 Flying training all day. All flights hard at it to make up for delay. Quiet day on Unit. Commanding Officer S/L Bushell on weeks leave. F/L W.J. Hind assumes temporary command of station.

19 Apr./44 1700 Flying washed out until 1030 hours account of high winds. Dual only for the rest of the day. Air quite rough. Cornells being flown throughout the day by instructors getting ready for the change-over from Tiger Moths to Cornells. Reselection Board sat on four Ceased Training cases. Three found unsuitable for further aircrew and posted to No. 31 Personnel Depot, Moncton, New Brunswick, the other one remustered to Navigator and posted to No. 12 SFTS, Brandon, Manitoba for training as Navigator. (J3515), S/L A. Amos visited the Station today and gave a very interesting talk to students. S/L Amos has the distinction of being the first student of the first class to graduate from No. 6 EFTS. He has just returned from Operations overseas and was visiting friends and relatives in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

20 Apr./44 1700 Flying training all day. Dual until 0930 hours and solo then washed in for the rest of the day. Air still rough. Grass seed being planted on aerodrome to help improve the surface of the field. F/L L.M. Tillotson (J7973) posted to take Senior Instructors course at Trenton, Ontario.

21 Apr./44 1700 Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection held at 0800 hours. Flying training all day, weather good - warm. Victory Loan Committees all set up for forthcoming Sixth Victory Loan Campaign. F/O J.A. Whalen appointed chairman and F/L W.C. Guest to act as his assistant in handling campaign. Final arrangements made for Victory Loan parade to be held in Prince Albert tomorrow afternoon, F/L W.J. Hind to take parade in absence of Commanding Officer, who is on leave. Rehearsal parade held on parade square under supervision of F/S Morris, Station Warrant Officer. W/C McFarlane, Command Chaplain (Protestant) of No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg paid visit to Unit and consulted with part time Chaplain, Honorary F/L Martin and Mr. Rawlinson, the Manager. He reported that everything is in order.

22 Apr./44 1700 Beautiful day - just like summer. Flying training up until 1200 hours when flying washed out for all personnel to attend Victory Loan parade starting at 1400 hours. Air Force represented by two squadrons of this Unit. Wing from this Unit under command of F/L Hind. All branches of Service represented in Parade. Parade marched through streets of Prince Albert and then formed up in Park in centre of City where addresses given by members of Victory Loan Committee, the Mayor and Member of Parliament. Air Force Personnel well turned out and looked very smart on parade. Two promotions on Unit, F/O Burr and F/O Lauder both promoted to Acting Flight Lieutenant.

23Apr./44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic Church Service held in Navigation Class Room. Weather still nice, quiet day on Unit. Prince Albert Golf Course now officially open and many Officers, N.C.O. 's and students have joined the club as playing members.

24 Apr./44 1700 Weather still fine and warm. Flying Training all day. Slight winds in morning. Air getting very (Cont.)

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24 Apr./44 1700 rough in mid-afternoon. Field very dusty. Cornell instructional flight busy

(Cont.) converting instructors from Tiger Moths to Cornells prior to station changing type of aircraft on Monday, 8th May, 1944. Quiet day on Unit, but a busy one to catch up on flying hours. Mess meeting held in Officers' Mess. F/L D.H. Burr elected P.M.C. F/L H.F. Darragh (J7742) of No. 2 Training Command paid visit to Unit to discuss training with members of the Testing Flight. F/O Whalen went to No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan to attend Victory Loan Conference there.

25 Apr./44 1700 S/L S.A. Bushell, Commanding Officer returned to Unit after taking short leave. Conferences carried on with F/L Darragh by Commanding Officer, the Manager and members of the Testing Flight. Good weather for flying - field very dusty but it is hoped sowing of grass seed will relieve this situation. Two more Cornells ferried to the station from No. 8 Repair Depot, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

26 Apr./44 1700 Weather still good - warm. Flying training all day on Unit. W/C J.C. Binnie (C1768) of No. 2 Training Command paid visit to the Unit and had conference with the Manager, Mr. E.A. Rawlinson at which station personnel problems were discussed. Clothing parade held on Unit by W.O.2 Smythe, H. (R4313) of No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Meeting of Sergeants' Mess held at 1730 hours. Officials elected were W.O.2 Olson, President, W.O.2 Porteous as Secretary. Bush fire started on edge of Aerodrome and flying washed out at 1500 hours. All personnel ordered out to combat fire and after two hours of hard work the fire was finally extinguished. The fire could have been a very serious matter if all personnel had not pitched in and helped fire fighters combat it. When it was finally put out it was only a short distance from the timber which is now very dry and inflammable.

27 Apr./44 1700 Flying training all day. Weather good but air slightly rough. Victory Loan well under way with all personnel subscribing. Reports for first day of loan showed we had reached our quota of \$20,000,00, with many applications still to come. Honorary F/L H.D. Martin, part time Chaplain (Protestant) conducted services in the evening at 1900 hours in Salvation Army Recreation Centre. Good attendance recorded. Meeting of "Gen" Club held at 2000 hours under supervision of F/O D.L. Baker.

28 Apr./44 1700 Commanding Officer's parade and inspection held out of doors for first time this year. Parade looked very smart on drill square. Beautiful day - warm. Flying training all day. Most of instructors now have been given instruction on Cornells in preparation for coming change over of aircraft on the Station. Quiet day on Unit.

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29 Apr./44 1700 Flying training all day. Weather excellent, again warm. F/L Darragh of No. 2 Training Command arrived enroute to DeWinton, Alberta for conferences on training. F/L W.J. Hind, Assistant Chief Flying Instructor and Chief Ground Instructor Mr. K.B. accompanied F/L Darragh to Conference at DeWinton. Two Instructors posted from this Unit to No. 23 EFTS, Davidson, Saskatchewan. They are F/O W.A. Murphy and F/O J. Gardner. They will both be missed on the Station. Informal party held in Officers' Mess. Moving picture shown to Officers and lady friends at 2000 hours in Mess.

30 Apr./44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic Church Parade held in the Navigation Class Room.  
Weather nice but windy. Quiet day on Unit.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>			
R.C.A.F.	57	36	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>			
C.D.C.	1	1	3
TOTAL STAFF	58	37	3

<u>TRAINEES</u>	R.C.A.F.	7	2
	R.A.F.		150
TOTAL TRAINEES		7	152

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:

<u>TYPE:</u>	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Tiger Moth	52	12
Cornell	12	4

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of April was 3945:35 hours.

*W.J. Hind F/L*  
for (S.A. Bushell) Squadron Leader  
Commanding Officer RCAF Personnel,  
No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

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1 May/44 1700

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>			
R.C.A.F.	57	36	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>			

C.D.C.		1	1	3
TOTAL		58	37	3
<u>TRAINEES</u>	R.C.A.F.	7	2	
	R.A.F.		150	
	TOTAL	7	152	

Flying washed out for entire day on account of heavy rainfall. Lectures and Physical Training for instructors and students. Rain badly needed but so is flying time. Reselection Board held on five ceased training cases. Three reselected for Air Bombers and two reselected for Navigators. Quiet day on Unit.

2 May/44 1700 Rain still falling hard. Flying again washed out for entire day. Programme of lectures, Physical Training and drill for Officers. Students taking extra ground school and Physical Training. F/L W.J. Hind, Assistant Chief Flying Instructor returned from training conference at DeWinton, Alberta (No. 31 EFTS) at 2130 hours.

3 May/44 1700 Flying training still washed out on account of rain and muddy condition of the aerodrome. Physical Training and lecture programme in effect for personnel. Victory Loan Campaign shows we have almost reached the \$30,000.00 mark for Service Personnel only and our quota was set at \$20,000.00. S/L S.A. Bushell went to No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg for Conference. F/L W.J. Hind assumed temporary command of Unit. Class party held for graduating class No. 101. Addresses by Mr. Rawlinson the Manager and Assistant Chief Flying Instructor F/L W. Hind. Songs rendered F/O D. Scott. LAC Stevens, under training pilot entertained those assembled with sleight of hand tricks, card tricks, etc. Farewell party voted by all as well organized, thanks to members of class No. 101.

4 May/44 1700 Weather much better but flying still washed out on account of condition of field. Should be in (Cont.)

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4 May/44 1700 use by tomorrow unless we get more rain. Lectures, Physical Training and (Cont.) organized sports for Instructors. Ground school and Physical Training for trainees. Captain R.E. Partridge, Dental Officer of this Unit proceeded on temporary duty to Canadian Dental Corps Headquarters, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Duty watch started on general station cleanup of grounds under the supervision of Orderly Officer. Grass again planted on aerodrome to overcome dust on field.

5 May/44 1700 Commanding Officer's parade and inspection held on parade square this morning. Parade taken by F/L Hind in absence of Commanding Officer who is still away on temporary duty in Winnipeg. Weather overcast, low ceiling - flying washed out because of this



and soft condition of the aerodrome. All forty-eights cancelled for this week in order to make up for lost time. Big news arrived on the station today - we won the efficiency award. The Manager Mr. Rawlinson thanked everyone for their help which made the winning of the award possible. Course No. 101 graduated and cleared today. Course disposed of as follows: Original intake, 30 RAF. Adjusted intake 1 RCAF and 34 RAF, total 35. The 32 graduates disposed of as follows; 25 to No. 12 SFTS, Brandon, Manitoba and 7 to No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. 3 airmen ceased training, 2 being found medically unfit for aircrew and posted to No. 31 P.D., Moncton, New Brunswick, and 1 reselected as a Navigator by the Unit Reselection Board and posted to No. 12 SFTS, Brandon, Manitoba. The wastage percentage for the course was 8.57%. Mr. Neilson, representative of the Fairchild Aircraft Company - Ranger Motor Division - paid a visit to the Unit and conferred with the Manager and Mr. W. Francis, Chief Engineer. He was flown to Winnipeg by F/O Wallis. Meeting held for all Instructors to discuss the latest details of Cornell aircraft.

6 May/44 1700 Flying training all day. Forty-eights washed out to make up for lost time. The Commanding Officer, S/L S.A. Bushell reported back from Temporary Duty in Winnipeg when he attended training conference at No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg. Weather mild. Good flying weather.

7 May/44 1700 Sunday - Roman Catholic church parade in navigation Lecture Room. Flying training all day on the Unit. Weather good for flying but air rough. F/O F.E. McLaren, DFC (J17371) air training cadet liaison officer of No. 2 Training Command reported in by air from No. 5 B & G School to discuss trainee leadership programme. No. 2 Training Command C. & M.U. members arrived on Station to replace pumping equipment and carry out inspection of fire equipment. New system of markers tried out on aerodrome but found to be too small to observe from 1000 feet. Larger ones now under construction.

8 May/44 1700 Good flying weather - flying training all day. Course No. 106 started on their first day with Cornells. RCAF Swing Time Unit arrived at 1200 hours. Capacity crowd saw the performance staged at 2000 hours in Salvation Army Recreation Centre. Because only one show was presented no guests were allowed. All voted the revised edition of the show is very good entertainment. More entertainment of this sort would be appreciated on the Unit. Trainee leadership conferences held with F/O F.E. McLaren at which Mr. Rawlinson, S/L Bushell, F/L Burr attended. F/O Dodds selected as officer to be in charge of Unit organization of trainee leadership. F/O McLaren reports around work now done and from now on (Cont.)

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8 May/44 1700 (Cont.) the system should show big results.

9 May/44 1700 Flying training washed out until 1330 hours on account of rain and poor visibility. Station advised today that formal presentation of Efficiency pennant will be on Thursday, 11th of May, with A/C Ashton of No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg making the presentation. F/O F.E. McLaren, DFC departed by air for No. 23 EFTS., Davidson, Saskatchewan. He was accompanied by F/O W.E. Dodds, Officer Commanding trainee leadership, in order that

F/O Dodds might see the leadership programme in working order at No. 23 EFTS. Flying training washed out at 1600 hours on account of wind, rain and hail squall.

10 May/44 1700 Flying training all day - weather better but chilly - strong winds. Station parade today at 1700 hours as a rehearsal for presentation parade tomorrow. Quiet day on Unit.

11 May/44 1700 Flying training (dual) washed in at 0800 hours. Sky cleared at 0900 hours when solo washed in. General station cleanup by Storage pool and ground staff prior to parade this afternoon. Flying washed out at 1330 hours on account of rainfall. (C59) A/C A.J. Ashton arrived by air at 1430 hours to officially present efficiency pennant won by the station for the first quarter of 1944. He was accompanied by F/L J.R. Alexander (C12111), personal aide to the Air Officer Commanding. A/C Ashton inspected the Unit and was accompanied throughout the Unit by the Manager Mr. Rawlinson and the Commanding Officer S/L Bushell. Parade held at 1600 hours when the efficiency pennant was officially presented by A/C Ashton who personally unfurled the pennant from the masthead. Addresses were made by A/C Ashton, the president of the Civilian Company Mr. Sibbald, the Manager Mr. Rawlinson and the Commanding Officer S/L Bushell. The wing then did a "march past" and A/C Ashton took the salute. The weatherman gave us break by stopping the rainfall long enough to permit the ceremony. Many civilian guests were present. After the presentation a reception was held in the Officers' Mess at which Officers and civilian guests met A/C Ashton and party. The Air Commodore and party departed by air at 1730 hours for No. 4 SFTS., Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, but before departing congratulated the Manager and Commanding Officer not only for winning the pennant, but also for the splendid condition of the Station and the smartness of the Unit on parade. F/L J. Chmara (Medical) (C26171) reported in from No. 7 ITS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, to replace F/L W.C. Guest, our Medical Officer, who reports to school of Aviation Medicine, Toronto to take a course.

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12 May/44 1700 Flying washed in at 0830 hours, but washed out again at 0930 on account of low ceiling and overcast sky. Instructors amending CAP 100, and hangar flying with students. Flying training washed in for rest of day at 1300 hours. Gravel being laid in front of hangars, which is great improvement. Racks now completed for all fire extinguishers. Quiet day on Station.

13 May/44 1700 Weather overcast with intermittent showers until 0930 hours when overcast broke up into cumulus clouds. Flying training washed in at 0930 hours. High winds and rain storm washed out flying at 1130 hours. Flying resumed at 1230 hours, but washed out for balance of day at 1530 hours on account of high winds.

14 May/44 1700 Sunday. Flying training washed out for the day. Roman Catholic Church parade in Navigation Lecture Room. Quiet day on Unit. E.A. Rawlinson, Manager, left for Winnipeg to attend conference at No. 2 Training Command.

15 May/44 1700 Flying training still washed out in morning on account of heavy smoke haze over-hanging the district. Meteorologist men report this is caused by forest fires burning in

Northern Alberta. Lectures in morning by Commanding Officer and Chief Flying Instructor on preventing engine stoppages during spinning. Sports programme in effect for students and instructors. Flying training washed in at 1230 hours for rest of day.

16 May/44 1700 Smoke haze cleared up. Flying training washed in at 0800 hours. First three Cornell students sent solo in morning. Rehearsal held for funeral parade to be held tomorrow at Shellbrook, Saskatchewan, at funeral of Cpl. Bryden, G.S. (R107369) of Air Force Headquarters. F/O Hughes to be officer in charge funeral parade. Quiet day on station.

17 May/44 1700 Flying training washed in at 0800 hours, but high winds confined flying to dual only. Mr. E.A. Rawlinson, Manager of Unit, returned from Conference at No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg. (C3628) S/L H.B. Hunter, reselection officer of No. 2 Training Command reported in for visit to station from No. 7 ITS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Conferences held at which Commanding Officer and Assistant Chief Flying Instructor attended. Word received today of three more flying instructors to be posted to this Unit. Graduation party held for Class No. 102 which graduates on 19th of May. Addresses by Mr. Rawlinson, S/L Bushell and Chief Ground Instructor Mr. K.B. Dundas. (J17127) F/O R.D. Gall, trainee officer of Course No. 102 presented with Operational Wings and Certificate by the Commanding Officer S/L S.A. Bushell. Funeral parade held at Shellbrook, Saskatchewan to bury remains of Cpl. Bryden, G.S. (R107369) who died of Coronary Thrombosis at Ottawa, Ontario. Funeral parade under command of F/O J.E. Hughes composed of thirty men from trainee storage pool. Letters received from parents of deceased and president of the Canadian Legion at Shellbrook, congratulating Unit on smartness of funeral parade.

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18 May/44 1700 Good flying weather today - flying washed in at 0800 hours. One Harvard aircraft brought to Unit today and to be kept here for use of instructors. The Commanding Officer S/L Bushell made first flight and then checked out F/L Hind, Assistant Chief Flying Instructor. The allotting of a Harvard aircraft to EFTS's is definitely a morale builder insofar as Instructors are concerned. Quiet day on Station. Word received today that Course No. 107 has been cancelled.

19 May/44 1700 Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection at 0800 hours. Weather cloudy but cleared up before noon and solo then washed in. Flying training all day. S/L Bushell busy checking out Senior Instructors on Harvard. Course No. 102 graduated today leaving us only three courses flying until we hear further about Course No. 107. The original intake of Course No. 102 was 6 RCAF and 24 RAF personnel, totalling 30. The adjusted intake was 7 RCAF and 22 RAF personnel, totalling 29. There were 27 graduates and they were granted two weeks leave, returning to this Unit for posting. Two airmen ceased training and were reselected as Air Bombers by the Unit reselection board and posted to No. 5 B & G School, Dafoe, Saskatchewan. The wastage percentage for the course was 7.4%. The Manager, Mr. E.A. Rawlinson, left today for short business visit to Regina, Saskatchewan.

20 May/44 1700 Flying washed in at 0800 hours - beautiful weather - warm. Flying training all

day. Instructors being checked out on the Harvard by S/L Bushell and F/L Hind. Two new instructors reported in today, to train "Allied Nationals" expected here on 19th of June. They were P/O J.R.H. Lanthier and WO2 M.L. Dufort. S/L S.A. Bushell left today for Winnipeg to enter Deer Lodge Hospital where he will undergo a nasal operation. He is expected to be away about ten days. F/L W.J. Hind assumes duties of Acting Commanding Officer.

21 May/44 1700 Sunday. Another perfect day - warmest one yet this year. Roman Catholic Church Parade in Navigation Class Room. All courses well ahead of flying schedules so no flying today. (C7) Air Vice Marshal T.A. Lawrence, Air Officer Commanding of No. 2 Training Command and party arrived by air at 1110 hours for farewell address to Unit. The Manager, Mr. E.A. Rawlinson accompanied him from Regina to Station. Parade held for Air Officer Commanding. At the request of Air Vice Marshal Lawrence, all ranks were asked to break off and gather around when the Air Officer Commanding gave his farewell address. The personnel appreciated his sincere remarks and also like the informality of the break-off. The Manager then thanked the Air Officer Commanding and wished him all the luck in the world on his new (cont.)

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21 May/44 1700 assignment. A march past was then held, with Air Vice Marshal Lawrence (Cont.) taking the salute. The Air Officer Commanding and aide visited in the Officers' Mess where they had lunch, and departed by air at 1230 hours for No. 5 B & G School, Dafoe, Saskatchewan.

22 May/44 1700 Flying training washed in, dual only, at 0800 hours, washed out at 0915 hours on account of low ceiling, washed in at 1000 hours again when conditions improved somewhat. Reselection board held on three cases today and disposed of as follows: GB1816746 LAC Jackaman, W.E.J. reselected as Navigator and posted to No. 12 SFTS., Brandon, Manitoba; GB1608021 LAC Ruck, R.H. reselected as Air bomber and posted to No. 5 B & G School, Dafoe, Saskatchewan; and GB1608219 LAC Carr, L.J. reselected as Wireless Operator (Air) and held at Unit pending posting instructions from DAPS. Flying washed out for rest of the day at 1500 hours on account of extremely high winds. Two more officers reported on the Unit, P/O H.V. Van Buskirk, Armament Officer and P/O A. Lord, bilingual instructor. About 150 of the Service personnel of the station attended the Army Show at the 122nd Canadian Army Basic Training Centre. Invitation to attend was extended by the Commanding Officer of the Army Training Centre.

23 May/44 1700 Flying training from 0800 hours until 1100 hours, when washed out for balance of the day on account of heavy rains. Lectures given by F/L W.J. Hind, Acting Commanding Officer, to instructors on subject of duty pilots in Control Tower. From now on each flight will supply a duty pilot for the week. Educational pictures shown in afternoon. Night flying washed out at 2355 hours on account of heavy fog. F/L Tillotson returned to Unit after completing Senior Instructors course at No. 1 CFS, Trenton, Ontario.

24 May/44 1700 Flying training washed in at 0800 hours. Warm day- good flying weather.

Senior Course No. 103 writing examinations. Wind speed increased in early afternoon when flying washed out. Quiet day on Unit. Night flying from 2100 hours to 0230 hours. Another instructor, WO2 J.H.R. Bilodeau reported in from No. 26 EFTS., Neepawa, Manitoba.

25 May/44 1700 Flying training all day after light rains and threatening clouds early in morning, F/L G.A. Kelly, (C20808), W & B Officer from No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg, arrived on Unit to carry out aerodrome inspection. He reported condition of station and building unexcelled in No. 2 Training Command. Two more instructors posted to this Unit reported in today - F/O A.C. Smith from No. 2 EFTS., Fort William, Ontario and P/O F.D. Wilson of No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Acting Commanding Officer F/L Hind held meeting for all instructors.

26 May/44 1700 Flying washed in at 0800 hours. Nice clear day - warm wind increased slightly during morning. F/O E. Bowman reported back on Unit after completing Administration Course at No. 1 KTS., Trenton, Ontario. Quiet day on Unit.

27 May/44 1700 Lovely day - flying training all day. Wind increased to twenty miles per hour in early afternoon. (Cont.)

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27 May/44 1700 Half station on forty-eight's - quiet day on Unit. Flying washed out at 1700 (Cont.) hours. Dance held in Officers' Mess starting at 2130 hours. Orchestra from Prince Albert supplied music. Large attendance of Officers, wives and friends. Refreshments served at 2350 hours. Voted to be one of best parties held yet.

28 May/44 1700 Sunday - Roman Catholic Church parade held in Navigation Lecture Room. No flying today - all courses well ahead of schedule. Real warm summer day.

29 May/44 1700 Nice day, but smoke haze in vicinity due to bush fires - cleared up around noon and flying washed in. Mr. Apedale, of Department of National Defence for Air paid visit to Station. He held conferences with the Manager Mr. Rawlinson and visited generally around the Unit. He arrived by air from No. 25 EFTS., Assiniboia, Saskatchewan and expects to depart for Regina tomorrow.

30 May/44 1700 Nice weather - flying training all day. Mr. Apedale and party departed by air for Regina at 1430 hours. Captain Dies of No. 12 M.D., Regina, Saskatchewan visited Unit to set up poll for personnel entitled to vote in Saskatchewan Provincial election June 15th. F/O W.E. Dodds selected as returning officer. Funeral parade held at 1430 hours to bury remains of WO2 Mitchell, W.D. (R93198), who was killed in a flying accident at No. 5 B & G School, Dafoe, Saskatchewan on 24th May. Funeral party under command of F/O Hughes. Six WO2 instructors acted as pall bearers while students made up firing and escort party. Funeral Services held at West Hill Cemetery, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

31 May/44 1700 Flying training until 1400 hours when high winds made washout for rest of the

day necessary. The Manager, Mr. E.A. Rawlinson, left by air at 1100 hours for Winnipeg to attend training conference at, No. 2 Training Command and also farewell dinner for Air Vice Marshal T.A. Lawrence. Col. G.L. Cameron, Assistant Director of Dental Services (Army) paid visit to the station and consulted with Captain R. Partridge, Unit Dental Officer. He reported equipment and condition of Dental Clinic as excellent. Another quiet day on the Unit.

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31 May/44 1700

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>			
R.C.A.F.	62	38	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>			
C.D.C.	1	1	3
TOTAL STAFF	63	39	3

<u>TRAINEES</u>	R.C.A.F.	7	1
	R.A.F.		166
TOTAL TRAINEES		7	167

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:

<u>TYPE:</u>	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Tiger Moth	26	5
Cornell	24	13
Harvard	1	NIL

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of May, 1944 was 4531:35 hours.

*W.J. Hind F/L*  
for (S.A. Bushell) Squadron Leader  
Commanding Officer RCAF Personnel,  
No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask.

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<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
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STAFF

R.C.A.F.	62	38
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SERVICE PERSONNEL,  
(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)

C.D.C.	1	1	3
TOTAL	63	39	3

<u>TRAINEES</u>	R.C.A.F.	7	1
	R.A.F.		166
	TOTAL	7	167

Flying training commenced at 0800 hours, dual only, low ceiling. Course No. 103 well ahead of schedule and due to graduate tomorrow. Flying washed out for balance of day at 1400 hours on account of lowering ceiling. Interview, conferences held in afternoon for students of Course No. 103. Lectures in airmanship given balance of students by their Flight Commanders. Annual inspection held for No. 38 (Prince Albert) Squadron - Air Cadets at Prince Albert Collegiate. Acting Commanding Officer F/L W.J. Hind acted as reviewing officer and took the salute at the march past. He was accompanied by F/L D.H. Burr, F/O E.A. Burn, DFC and F/O J.A. Whalen, all staff officers of the unit. The inspecting officer was (C.2659) F/L J.D. Fitzimmons of No. 2 Training Command. After the inspection, short talks were given to cadets by F/L Hind, F/L Fitzimmons and Mr. Hooper of Collegiate teaching staff.

2 June/44 1700 Flying washed out for entire day on account of rains and low ceiling. Lectures on forced landings, airmanship, etc. for students. Physical Training for Officers, and organized sports. Reselection Board held at 0930 hours on six ceased training cases and disposed of as follows: One medically unfit ceased trainee posted No. 31 P.D., Moncton. Five reselected Air Bombers and posted No. 5 B & G School, Dafoe, Saskatchewan. Course No. 103 graduated today. The original intake was 1 RCAF and 29 RAF, total 30. The adjusted intake was 1 RCAF and 30 RAF, total 31. There were 25 graduates and they were granted two weeks leave, returning to this Unit pending posting instruction. Two ceased training due to airsickness and posted No. 31 P.D., Moncton, N.B. One remustered Air Bomber and posted No. 5 B & G School, Dafoe, Saskatchewan and three remustered Navigator and posted No. 12 SFTS, Brandon, Manitoba. The wastage percentage for the course was 19.35%. Conferences held by F/L Hind, F/L Tillotson, F/L Burr to set up new system to handle Grading Course which starts on Monday. F/O H.G. Wedge, Armament Officer of No. 2 Training Command reported in for Inspection visit. Mr. Holliday, Regional Secretary (Cont.)

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2 June/44 1700 of Canadian Legion from Regina, visited Unit to discuss educational matters (Cont.) with F/O W.E. Dodds, educational officer.

3 June/44 1700 Heavy rains - poor visibility - flying washed out for entire day. Mr, E.A. Rawlinson, Manager, arrived back on Unit after attending conference at No. 2 Training Command, S/L S.A. Bushell, Commanding Officer, returned to Unit after being hospitalized at Deer Lodge Hospital, Winnipeg, where he was operated on for sinus trouble. He attended training conference at No. 2 Training Command with the Manager before return.

4 June/44 1700 Roman Catholic Church Parade in Navigation Class Room. Flying washed out for day. Quiet day on Unit.

5 June/44 1700 Good flying weather all day - warm. First Grading Course, G. 1 made up of twenty-seven RCAF students started three week course today. Commanding Officer had conference with instructors to complete all arrangements for new system in use for Grading Courses.

6 June/44 1700 Excellent flying weather. Flying training all day from 0800 hours. Rehearsal Parade held at 1300 hours to prepare for our first visit from the new Air Officer Commanding No. 2 Training Command, who is scheduled to arrive at Unit tomorrow. Quiet day on Unit.

7 June/44 1700 Real summer weather, warm. A/C K.M. Guthrie (C.34) Air Officer Commanding No. 2 Training Command and party visited Unit arriving at 0815 hours from No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon. The Air Officer Commanding was accompanied by G/C J.C. Scott (C.1) S.A.S.O., S/L R.G. Stovel (J.3100) T.F.1, F/O R.B. McDonald,(C21699) personal aide, and Flt/O F.M. Douglas, (V.30021). A parade of all personnel was held on main parade square where a hollow square was formed by the squadrons. F/O C.B. Bruce, Officer Commanding Navigation Flight of this Unit was formally invested with the Air Force Cross by A/C Guthrie. The Wing then did the march past and the Air Officer Commanding took the salute. The Air Officer Commanding made a short trip of inspection throughout the Unit accompanied by the Manager and the Commanding Officer. Branch and Section heads then gathered together in one of the flight rooms and personally met the Air Officer Commanding. He gave a short talk to the gathering and departed with his party by air for No. 23 EFTS, Davidson, Saskatchewan at 0930 hours. F/L F.H. Darragh, S/L J. McCulloch and W/C L.H, Costello, all of No. 2 Training Command arrived by air at 1200 hours for visit to Unit. Conferences held with Manager, Commanding Officer, and Chief Ground Instructor on training matters. Good flying weather.

8 June/44 1700 Excellent weather. Flying training all day from 0800 hours. Miss Bujaea of the Canadian War Services, Regina, Saskatchewan, paid a visit to Station. She discussed the formation of Art Craft and hobby clubs for Service personnel and spent most of the day in conferences with Capt. Robson, Salvation Army Unit representative and F/O W.E. Dodds, Unit Educational Officer. Quiet day on Station.

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9 June/44 1700 Good flying weather in morning. Commanding Officer's Parade at 0800 hours. Flying training from 0900 hours. High winds at 1500 hours, when solo washed out for balance of the day. Dual flying until 1700 hours. Quiet day on Unit. W/C McFarlane (C.2787)



Chaplain (P), Command Padre of No. 2 Training Command visited Unit today, arriving by air at 0945 hours from No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan and departing by air at 1530 hours. He consulted with Commanding Officer and Bishop Martin during his visit.

10 June/44 1700 Lovely weather - warm - flying training washed in at 0800 hours. Nothing unusual to report on Unit. Station Golf Tournament held at Prince Albert Golf Club. About fifty from Unit competed in tournament. Draw was made from scores turned in in qualifying round held previously. Contestants were graded into flights of eight players each and tournament run off on match play.

11 June/44 1700 Sunday - flying washed out for entire day - Roman Catholic Church parade held in Navigation Class Room. Golf Tournament completed at Prince Albert Golf Club. Everyone enjoyed themselves and tournament voted a real success and we hope we have another one soon. Vote of thanks given to K.B. Dundas, civilian Chief Ground Instructor for making all arrangements and looking after the tournament. Station baseball team defeated Burns' team 10 - 4 in Prince Albert City Baseball League. Our team now tied for second place in League.

12 June/44 1700 Weather fair - wind fifteen miles per hour. Flying training all day to 1700 hours. Quiet day on Unit. All courses well ahead of schedule.

13 June/44 1700 Rainy weather - showers and low ceiling until 1500 hours when weather cleared up and allowed flying training to commence. Quiet day on the Unit.

14 June/44 1700 Flying training washed out for entire day on account of rains and low ceiling. Physical training, drill and lectures for Instructors. Physical training, drill and ground school for students. Harvard step test run off for all Instructors.

15 June/44 1700 Flying intermittent in morning on account of rain. Flying finally washed out for the entire day at 1400 hours on account of low ceiling. Balance of Harvard Steps completed for staff instructors.

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16 June/44 1700 Flying not washed in until 1030 hours - dual only then on account of weather. Course No. 104 completed their flying today. The original intake of Course No. 104 was 36 RAF. The adjusted intake was 37 RAF. There were 30 graduates and they were granted two weeks leave, returning to this Unit for posting. Four airmen ceased training and were reselected as Air Bombers and posted to No. 5 B & G School, Dafoe, Saskatchewan. One ceased training due to airsickness and posted No. 31 P.D., Moncton, one airman remustered Wireless Operator Air Gunner and posted No. 2 Wireless School, Calgary, and one airman remustered Flight Engineer and posted No. 31 P.D., Moncton, N.B. The wastage percentage for the course was 18.9%.

17 June/44 1700 Flying training started at 0800 hours. Good flying weather. Fatal accident at approximately 1230 hours when (J.10294) A/F/L D.H. Burr, Officer Commanding Testing Flight

and trainee LAC Beingsner, E.S. (R.168989) crashed at White Star approximately 7½ miles north of the main aerodrome. F/L Burr was one of the most popular officers on the Unit and had been here since February, 1943. He was also President of the Officers' Mess, having been elected by popular ballot approximately two months ago. He will be sorely missed by all who knew and liked him so well. LAC Beingsner had only been on the Unit for two weeks and was a trainee in our G.1, first Grading course. He was highly spoken of by his instructor and classmates who were the ones who knew him best. Flying training washed out for the balance of the day.

18 June/44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic Church parade held in Navigation Class Room. S/L L. Dawson (C.2139) and F/L W.S. Martin (C.14589) investigating officers from No. 2 Training Command arrived by air to conduct investigation of fatal accident yesterday. Funeral parade held at 2000 hours from MacKenzie's Funeral Home to Canadian Pacific Railway station for shipment of bodies of F/L Burr to Kelowna, British Columbia and LAC Beingsner to High River, Alberta. Canon Noble conducted service for F/L Burr, and Father Raczynsky conducted service for LAC Beingsner. All officers on strength attended funeral parade as well as all students in Course No. G.1, F/L L.M. Tillotson accompanied remains of F/L D.H. Burr to Kelowna, B.C. and WO2 Hanson, F.O. accompanied remains of LAC Beingsner to High River, Alberta, where funeral end services were held.

19 June/44 1700 First day that trainees are all being trained on Cornells. All Tiger Moths are now off strength and the Unit is completely converted over to the Cornell aircraft. Good flying weather - clear but bumpy in late afternoon. Flying all day from 0800 hours to 1700 hours. Course No. G.2 commenced their flying training today with intake of 30 students.

20 June/44 1700 Excellent flying weather in morning. Flying training washed out at 1430 hours on account of thunderstorms and heavy rainfall. Night flying also washed out because of weather. Investigating Officers (Cont.)

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20 June/44 1700 still here conducting investigation into fatal accident.  
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21 June/44 1700 Clear day - good flying weather. All courses hard at work. S/L Dawson and F/L Martin, of accident investigation branch at No. 2 Training Command left by air for Winnipeg at 0830 hours, after completing investigation on Unit. Flying training in effect all day from 0800 hour- to 1700 hours. Night flying from 2215 to 0330 hours.

22 June/44 1700 Weather warm but moderate winds all day. Flying training from 0800 hours. Quiet and normal day on Unit.

23 June/44 1700 Commanding Officer's parade and Inspection held at 0815 hours. All RCAF personnel attended movie on security shown in Salvation Army Recreation Centre. All ranks addressed by Commanding Officer before showing of the picture. Weather poor in morning until

1030 hours, when visibility improved and flying training washed in at that time. Flying for most of day until 1700 hours. FL/O Rayner (V30187), of No. 2 Training Command paid visit to Unit to discuss messing and canteen matters.

24 June/44 1700 Station forty-eight for all flying personnel. Quiet day on Unit.

25 June/44 1700 Sunday. No flying. Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Class Room. Station baseball team won another game in Prince Albert City Ball League. Team now tied for second place.

26 June/44 1700 Flying training washed it at 0745 hours. Cloudy with light winds. Flying training dual only until 1700 hours. No. 5 Visiting Flight arrived on Unit by air from No. 25 EFTS, Assiniboia, Saskatchewan. The Flight is now under command of F/L H.C. Forbell (C13130) and is composed of (J9667) F/L A. Ross, (111531) F/L F. Taylor, (J23031) F/L R. Tait, (J27041) F/O H.K. Leatherdale. They expect to be here about three days checking instructors and students. S/O J.L. Christie (V30386) of No. 2 Training Command paid a short visit to the Unit to check on Special Services matters here. Night flying completed at 0330 hours, This ends all night flying on Unit because Grading Courses do not night fly and Course No. 106 is finished night flying.

27 June/44 1700 Flying washed in at 0745 hours. Weather slight wind - cumulus clouds but good high ceiling.

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28 June/44 1700 Flying training from 0745 hours to 1200 hours. Bright sunny day - good flying weather. (J7742) F/L F.H. Darragh arrived from No. 23 EFTS, Davidson by air at 1430 hours. Meeting held at 1330 hours for all RCAF personnel on staff. Commanding Officer addressed meeting and inaugurated new Physical Training programme for the Unit. F/O A. Smith was put in charge of new programme which goes into effect on Monday, 3rd of July. All flying instructors were then addressed by F/L Darragh and F/L Forbell of Visiting flight to discuss matters peculiar to Grading Courses. Lectures and meeting took up balance of afternoon so flying was not washed in. Station Baseball Team, defeated Bohemians in Prince Albert City Baseball league.

29 June/44 1700 Flying training washed in at 0745 hours. Excellent flying weather. F/L F.M. Darragh (J7742) departed by air for No. 2 Training Command at 0730 hours. Visiting Flight completed their check of station and departed by air at 1400 hours for No. 5 EFTS, High River, Alberta. Commanding Officer paid short visit to No. 23 EFTS, Davidson, Saskatchewan and returned by air the same day.

30 June/44 1700 Excellent weather - warm. Flying training from 0745 hours to 1700 hours. Quiet day on Unit, normal routine. First Grading Course, S1 graduated today. The original intake of the course was 27 RCAF. There were 15 graduates, and are held at unit pending disposition. Two airmen ceased training due to airsickness, one being posted to No. 2 "M" Depot, Swift Current and one held at Unit pending posting instructions. 9 ceased training due to

the fact that they were unable to make the necessary critical score, and held pending disposal. One airman was killed in aeroplane crash. The wastage percentage for the course was 44.4%.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>			
R.C.A.F.	62	39	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>			
C.D.C.	1	1	3
TOTAL STAFF	63	40	3

<u>TRAINEES</u>	R.C.A.F.	7	52
	R.A.F.		122
TOTAL TRAINEES		7	174

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:

<u>TYPE:</u>	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Cornell	34	32
Harvard	1	NIL

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of June was 2731:55 hours.

*L.M. Tillotson F/L*  
for (S.A. Bushell) Squadron Leader  
Commanding Officer RCAF Personnel,  
No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask.

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<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>			
R.C.A.F.	62	39	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>			
C.D.C.	1	1	3

TOTAL		63	40	3
<u>TRAINEES</u>	R.C.A.F.	7	2	
	R.A.F.		122	
	TOTAL	7	174	

Excellent flying weather. Flying training from 0745 hours to 1700 hours. Quiet day on Unit. Informal party held in Officers' Mess - good attendance. Music supplied by orchestra made up of RAF trainees.

2 July/44 1700 Sunday, flying washed out for entire day. Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Class Room. Station Baseball team defeated by M & C team in City Baseball League.

3 July/44 1700 Flying training from 0745 hours until 1200 hours, when showers and thunderstorms made it necessary to wash out until 1430 hours, when weather cleared up and flying was resumed - dual only for balance of the day. Course S4 started training today and is composed of thirty students - all RCAF. The new Physical Training programme for staff and trainees put into effect today under supervision of F/O A.C. Smith. F/L L.M. Tillotson (J7973) acting Commanding Officer while S/L S.A. Bushell is at Deer Lodge Hospital, Winnipeg for medical check-up.

4 July/44 1700 Flying washed in at 0745 hours, good flying weather in morning. S/L H.B. Hunter (C3628) Command Reselection Officer visited station to assist in reselection matters. He was accompanied by (C3689) S/L R.M. Frayne, No. 2 Training Command Chaplain (P), who paid his first visit to this Unit since his appointment to Command Chaplain. He made a thorough inspection of the Station and held, conferences with the Manager and Adjutant in absence of Commanding Officer, who is still at Deer Lodge Hospital, Winnipeg. Five student officers, graduates of our Courses 102 and 103 posted to employment in their former trades - four to No. 3 Wireless School, Winnipeg and one to No. 8 Repair Depot, Winnipeg. (Cont.)

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4 July/44 1700 Flying training in afternoon confined to dual only on account of thunderstorms (Cont.) and showers. Commanding Officer S/L S.A. Bushell returned from Winnipeg at 1900 hours.

5 July/44 1700 Weather unsettled - flying training started at 0745 hours. Overcast at high altitude, with strong upper winds and showers. Flying washed out at 1030 hours. Course 106 writing examinations in afternoon. No. flying. Five new instructors arrived or Unit from No. 2 F.I.S., Pearce, Alberta, Pilot Officers Rainer, Simpson, Scott, Hansen and Ewart. (C22126) S/L M.W. Nugent, No. 2 Training Command, Medical Specialist Officer paid short visit to Unit to inspect hospital and confer with the Station Medical Officer. Reselection board held on seven ceased training cases. Five selected Air Gunners and two selected Navigators.

6 July/44 1700 Flying not washed in until 0930 hours on account of thick ground fog earlier in the morning. Flying washed out at 1200 hours, Course 106 writing examinations in Ground Instruction School. Commanding Officer took S/L Nugent to No. 5 B & C School by air at 1030 hours. F/R S.A. Prowse (C14618), No. 2 . Training Command Equipment Officer arrived on Unit for inspection and equipment checkup.

7 July/44 1700 Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection held for all ranks. Heavy rain throughout entire day. No flying possible. Meeting held for all instructors to select twenty for immediate overseas posting. Physical Training for entire station held in morning. Ground School and lectures in afternoon. Nineteen instructors posted overseas effective 14th July, reporting at "Y" Depot on 28th of July. Mess Meeting held in Officers' Mess at 1230 hours. F/L L.M. Tillotson elected president of Officers' Mess. Scheduled ball game cancelled on account of rain. Clothing parade held for staff and students by F/S Longpre, A.J, of No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

8 July/44 1700 Weather still unsettled. One half station on forty-eight. Quiet day on Unit. Sgt. H.C. Steward, Armament Instructor left for Course at No. 1 School of a/c Recognition, Regina, Saskatchewan.

9 July/44 1700 Sunday, no flying. Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Class Room. Quiet day on Unit. Station Baseball team won their game against Prince Albert Bohemians in Prince Albert City Baseball League.

10 July/44 1700 Good flying weather, flying training washed in at 0745 hours and flying right through until 1700 hours. Our last EFTS course No. 106 now up to schedule while S4 and S6 progressing favorably in spite of recent rainy weather. (C23679) F/O H.G. Hedge, Armament Officer from No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg visited Unit.

11 July/44 1700 Heavy low overcast first thing in morning which broke up at 1030 hours. Solo washed in for (Cont.)

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11 July/44 1700 Course 106 for rest of day to let them complete their flying schedule. Five (Cont.) more Cornells ferried to Unit from No. 8 Repair Depot, Winnipeg by pilots of Ferry Squadron. New instructors checked out by refresher squadron and than completed their five hours of solo time. (C9996) F/L F.E. Horton, Physical Training and Drill Officer from No. 2 Training Command visited Unit for consultation with Manager and Commanding Officer on physical training matters.

12 July/44 1700 Excellent flying weather all day. Course 106 has now completed flying. Interviews for trainees in afternoon. Markers for runways being placed on aerodrome under supervision of Mr, K.B. Dundee, civilian Chief Ground Instructor. S/L E.J. Verrier (C2333) No. 2 Training Command Works and Building Officer paid visit to station and inspected Unit.

Seventy-four RAF trainees, graduates of Courses 102, 103 and 104 posted to No. 33 SFTS, Carberry, Manitoba, for useful employment.

13 July/44 1700 Weather overcast during early part of morning. Flying washed in at 0830 hours, but flying restricted to Course S4 only. Regular Physical Training periods held for all staff and trainees. Work continues on runway markers being placed on aerodrome. Quiet day on Unit. Harvard a/c from No. 13 SFTS at North Battleford forced down here with motor trouble while on cross country flight. Staff engineers repaired trouble and aircraft able to return to home Unit in afternoon.

14 July/44 1700 Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection for all ranks. Church Service held after parade in Salvation Army Recreation Auditorium conducted by Bishop Martin, part time chaplain (P). An interesting event was a talk given by H/F/L E.S. Light, who is now chaplain in the RCAF, but was formerly a student pilot at this Unit. Flying training started at 0900 hours, but washed out at 1300 hours on account of winds and rainy weather. Runway system of markers used for first time today and after few minor changes should prove to be a great help on aerodrome. Nineteen instructors struck off strength to "Y" Depot for overseas posting. Farewell party held in Officers and N.C.O.'s Mess. Course No. 106 graduated today. The original intake for the course was 30 RAF. There were 26 graduates. Three airmen remustered to Air Bomber and posted No. 5 B & G School, Dafoe, Saskatchewan and one airman unable to graduate due to illness posted to No. 31 EFTS, DeWinton, Alberta to continue his elementary training. The wastage percentage for the course was 13.33%. Course S2 also graduated today. The original intake for course S2 was 30 RCAF. There were 10 graduates, and are held at Unit pending disposition. One airman transferred to Course S4, and three reselected Air Gunners and posted to No. 3 B & G School (Cont.)

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14 July/44 1700 Macdonald, Manitoba. Sixteen airmen held pending reselection at Unit (Cont.) Reselection Board. The wastage percentage for the course was 66.6%.

15 July/44 1700 Quiet day on Unit. Half personnel on "forty-eight". F/O T.B. Dooley (J27897), officer in charge of "Gen" Clubs arrived on Unit from No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. He held conferences with the Manager Mr. Rawlinson, Commanding Officer and Officer in charge Aircrew Leadership regarding "Gen" Club activities on this Unit. Thirty more RCAF trainees reported in from No. 2 F.I.S., Pearce, Alberta for storage and useful employment until entered in Pilot Selection Test. Six senior N.C.O.'s and three officers also reported today for entry into Pilot Selection Courses.

16 July/44 1700 Sunday. Flying washed out for entire day. Roman Catholic Church Parade in Navigation Class Room. Quiet day on Unit.

17 July/44 1700 Flying training washed in at 0745 hours. Weather good in morning, but overcast and raining during afternoon. Course S6 started flying today with intake of eighteen students. The twenty-six graduates of our last EFTS Course No. 106 posted to No. 31 ANS, Port

Albert, Ontario. (C3628) S/L. H.B. Hunter, reselection officer from No. 2 Training Command sat in on reselection board of ceased training cases and voluntary remusters from P.N.B. to Air Gunner and Wireless Air Gunner.

18 July/44 1700 Flying training from 0745 hours to 1545 hours, when it was washed out on account of very high winds. Station Baseball team defeated by Army in Prince Albert City Baseball League. Quiet day on Unit.

19 July/44 1700 Flying washed in at 0745 hours. Courses S4 and S6 flying until 1200 hours. Station Sports Day held in afternoon for all service and civilian personnel. Programme of events included all field events for men and ladies as well as mixed and novelty events. Soccer and soft ball tournament also held. Sports field was attractively decorated and fixed up for the event. Outdoor band stand and dancing floor was built as well as booths for games and refreshments. A light supper was served out doors at 1700 hours. The band from No. 122 Basic Training Center (Army) was in attendance for the afternoon. A most successful day was climaxed by a dance in the evening held in the Legion Hall, Prince Albert. Committees of Service and Civilian personnel who worked so hard to make the day a success were publicly thanked by Mr. E.A. Rawlinson, Manager and S/L S.A. Bushell, Commanding Officer.

20 July/44 1700 Flying training for Courses S4 and S6 started at 0745 hours. Weather good throughout the day. Party of staff Officers from No. 2 Training Command arrived by air at 1100 hours for general check up of station prior to annual inspection by Air Officer Commanding, to be held 4th August, 1944. Party was composed of the S.A.S.O., (C1) G/C J.S. Scott, (C2044) G/C A.J.S. Taunton, W & B Senior Officer, Lt.Col. Bailev. Command Dental Corps Officer, (C1445) S/L E. Bland, (C2882) F/L F.O. Cooke, (Cont.)

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20 July/44 1700 Command Navigation Officer. Inspections were made by all officers of their (Cont.) respective sections and conferences held with the Manager and Commanding Officer. The party departed by air at 1600 hours for Winnipeg, Manitoba.

21 July/44 1700 Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection held for all ranks. Flying training in effect all day to 1700 hours, weather very good for flying. (C24602) F/L W.N. Winnitoy, Medical Officer from No. 23 EFTS, Davidson, Saskatchewan reported in on temporary duty to replace station Medical Officer F/L W.C. Guest, who was on a "forty-eight". Quiet day on Unit. Eight direct entry graduates of Course S1 posted No. 12 Equipment Depot, Montreal for useful employment.

22 July/44 1700 Conferances held during morning period with station manager and commanding officer by heads of all sections in preparation for coming inspection by Air Officer Commanding. Four promotions among officer personnel announced today - Pilot Officers Spalding, Jones, McLeod and McNair all promoted to Flying Officer. Seven more instructors posted in to Staff, two coming from No. 25 SFTS, Assiniboia, Saskatchewan, two from No. 15 EFTS, Regina, Saskatchewan and three from No. 24 EFTS, Abbotsford, British Columbia. Saskatchewan Division



No. 2 Training Command Baseball Tournament held in afternoon at Bohemian Baseball Park, Prince Albert. Competing teams were from Davidson, Saskatoon, Dafoe and Prince Albert. In the first round Saskatoon, defeated Prince Albert and Dafoe defeated Davidson. Finals played at 1800 hours with No. 4 SFTS Saskatoon team defeating team from No. 5 & G School, Dafoe, Saskatchewan by score of five to four. Game was a thriller and only decided in last inning. Large crowd estimated at more than 500 attended the games. Dance arranged for visiting teams after the big baseball day.

23 July/44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Class Room. No flying, quiet day on Unit.

24 July/44 1700 Excellent flying weather, flying training from 0745 hours to 1700 hours. Party of staff officers from No. 2 Training Command arrived by air at 1100 hours. Party made up of S.O.O. (C2213) W/C R. Cross, P.M.O. S/L T.E. Kirk, (C2784) S/L N. Primrose and (C8035) F/L V.C.D. Taylor, W & B Officer. Conferences held with Commanding Officer and Adjutant. Station Manager, Mr. E.A. Rawlinson left for Vancouver, B.C., to attend conference of Managers of civilian operated flying schools. Two (Cont.)

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24 July/44 1700 N.C.O.'s promoted to commissioned rank - WO2 McCracken and WO2 Olson. (Cont.) Course S4 completed flying schedules today.

25 July/44 1700 Flying training washed out at 1100 hours on account of high winds and general overcast. Schedule of meteorological lectures started today for all flying personnel. F/O E. Bowman visited No. 23 EFTS for further information regarding new briefing rooms being set up in the flying wing. Flying again washed in at 1430 hours and continued to 1700 hours. Mr. H. H. Holroyde acting as civilian manager during absence of Mr. Rowlinson at convention in Vancouver. (C60S9) F/L W.A. Wheten of No. 14 "X" Depot, Regina visited Unit regarding armament and explosives matters.

26 July/44 1700 Weather unsettled, flying training from 0800 hours to 1100 hours and from 1430 hours to 1700 hours. Reselection board held on ten RCAF trainees, who are voluntary remusters to Air Gunner or Wireless Air Gunner in order to expedite their training. Two more instructors posted to staff here, both being RAF, P/O Thomas and Sgt. Freeman. Station Baseball team defeated Burns in Prince Albert City Baseball League. Our team now tied for third place even though riddled by postings. F/L N.A. Vose aerodrome control officer from No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon arrived on Unit to make a report on station aerodrome and its control.

27 July/44 1700 Ideal flying weather today. Flying training in progress from 0745 hours to 1700 hours. Sixteen Tiger Moths in storage here ferried to Neepawa by staff instructors. Soccer Tournament held at Duck Lake. Our team composed of airmen from the RAF Storage Pool had no difficulty in winning the tournament against an all star team. Most of the Duck Lake players were Indians from a nearby reservation and the RAF trainees were impressed with the fact that Indians even knew what Soccer was, let alone play it as well as they did. Monthly Mess Meeting

held in Officers' Mess.

28 July/44 1700 Excellent flying weather again. Flying training in effect all day. (C3652) F/L W.A. McCallum, Fire Prevention Officer from No. 2 Training Command visited Unit and made inspection. False fire alarm sounded to test fire crews and personnel. He reports all satisfactory. Three more Tiger Moths ferried to Neepawa by staff instructors. Clothing parade held by Equipment N.C.O. from No. 4 SFTS. Course S4 graduated today and are held pending critical scores from Air Force Headquarters to determine graduates and failures. Quiet day on Unit.

29 July/44 1700 One half of personnel on "forty-eight" hours pass. Quiet day on Unit.

30 July/44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Class Room. No flying on Unit. Qualifying round for monthly station Golf Tournament held on Prince Albert Golf Course.

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31 July/44 1700 Good flying weather all day from 0745 hours to 1700 hours. Course S8 composed of eighteen trainees from Storage Pool started Pilot Selection Test today. Rehearsal parade held on main parade square for all ranks in preparation for coming visit of Air Officer Commanding. Critical scores for Course S4 were received today from Air Force Headquarters. The original intake for Course S4 was 30 RCAF. There were 8 graduates, and are held at Unit pending disposition. There was one airman transferred to Course S6, one a voluntary remuster to Wireless Operator Air Gunner and posted to No. 3 Wireless School, Winnipeg, and three voluntary remusters to Air Gunners posted to No. 3 B & G School, Macdonald, Manitoba. The remaining 18 airmen are held at Unit pending reselection at the Unit Reselection Board. The wastage percentage for the course was 73.3%.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>			
R.C.A.F.	67	35	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>	1	1	
C.D.C.	1	1	3
TOTAL STAFF	69	37	3
<u>TRAINEES</u>			
R.C.A.F.	3	116	
R.A.F.		40	
TOTAL TRAINEES	3	150	

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:

<u>TYPE:</u>	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Tiger Moth	1	NIL
Cornell	51	14
Harvard	1	NIL

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of July was 1397:10 hours.

(S.A. Bushell) Squadron Leader  
 Commanding Officer RCAF Personnel,  
 No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

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1 Aug./44 1700

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>			
R.C.A.F.	67	35	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>	1	1	
C.D.C.	1	1	3
TOTAL	69	37	3
<u>TRAINEES</u>			
R.C.A.F.	3	116	
R.A.F.		40	
TOTAL	3	156	

Flying training washed out at 0930 hours due to low local clouds. Flying washed in at 1030 hours and continued throughout the day until 1700 hours. Local thunderstorms in the area, but none came over the aerodrome. Quiet day on the Unit.

2 Aug./44 1700 Good flying weather all day - flying training from 0745 to 1700 hours. F/L F.A. Clayton (J5129) arrived by air from No. 5 Bombing and Gunnery School, Dafoe, Saskatchewan on pre-inspection visit to discuss the progress made on briefing rooms for trainees. Drill rehearsals hold for coming inspection by Air Officer Commanding. Quiet day on Unit.

3 Aug./44 1700 Excellent flying weather - warm - flying training all day from 0745 to 1700 hours. Final arrangements completed for inspection by Air Officer Commanding tomorrow.

Another drill rehearsal held on parade square under Commanding Officer RCAF personnel.

4 Aug./44 1700 Weather unsettled, scattered showers in early morning. Flying training commenced at 0900 hours. Commanding Officers parade and inspection at 0800 hours. A/V/M. K.M. Guthrie, Air Officer Commanding No. 2 Training Command and party arrived at 0930 hours for annual inspection of Unit. Party composed of (C.944) G/C H.H. Atkinson, (J7742) F/L F.H. Darragh, T.F.2 (C21699) F/O R.B. McDonald, personal aide to AOC and F/O H.F. Downie. Party divided into two groups to carry out inspection. Air Officer Commanding was accompanied by the Manager and Commanding Officer, while G/C Atkinson was accompanied by (Cont.)

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4 Aug./44 1700 F/L W.C. Guest, Medical Officer and F/O J.A. Whalen, Adjutant and Mr. E. Ware, Civilian Office Manager. A thorough inspection was carried out and a meeting was then held by Air Officer Commanding with all section commanders and department heads for a general discussion. A/V/M Guthrie explained all pertinent matters pertaining to the inspection and in conclusion thanked all present for their co-operation and commended the Unit on its condition. Lunch was then served in the Officers Mess. A formal parade was held on the parade square with all ranks present. The Air Officer Commanding personally inspected the Wing and stopped to chat with several airmen who had returned from overseas to take pilot training. Wing under S/L Bushell then did the march past for the A.V.M., who took the salute. Inspecting party departed by air for Winnipeg at 1500 hours. The R.A.F. Storage Pool posted to No. 31 P.D. Moncton, New Brunswick. Station closed for balance of the day on instructions from A.V.M. Guthrie.

5 Aug./44 1700 Flying training from 0745 to 1000 hours, when all instructors and staff attended lecture given by Lieutenant Campbell and Lieutenant Meehan of British Army. Lecture emphasized co-operation of Air Force with ground forces particularly tank warfare. The visiting officers then answered questions asked them by audience. Largest reselection board held yet on the Unit convened under S/L Hunter of No. 2 Training Command, twenty-five airmen in all appeared before the Board.

6 Aug./44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Class Room for all Roman Catholic personnel. Quiet day on Unit.

7 Aug./44 1700 Good flying weather in morning from 0745 hours. Lectures given by visiting army officers to staff and students. Flying training washed out all afternoon on account of bad weather. (C5891) F/L E.S. Smith of Armament Visiting Flight, Mountainview paid visit to Unit and inspected Armament Section. Draw made for monthly station handicap golf tournament. Thirty-two entries from Unit received.

8 Aug./44 1700 Excellent flying weather all day from 0745 to 1700 hours. Notice of five promotions on the staff received today. WO2 W. Waugh and WO2 A.P. Martin promoted to commissioned rank of Pilot Officer. WO2 J.R.P. Bilodeau, WO2 W.B. Porteous and WO2 F.G. Willison all promoted to rank of Warrant Officer 1st Class.

9 Aug./44 1700 Flying training all day from 0745 to 1700 hours. Critical scores for Course S.6 received from Air Force Headquarters. F/O E.A. Burn, DFC, Officer Commanding Link section posted on temporary duty to Rockcliffe, Ontario to take the personnel Counsellors Course. Word received from No. 2 Training Command that thirty-five of our staff instructors are to be selected to take a Service Instructors course at No. 2 F.I.S., Pearce, Alberta, the first course commencing 14th August.

10 Aug./44 1700 Flying washed in at 0745 hours. Weather good during morning period but cloudy with rain in the (Cont.)

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10 Aug./44 1700 afternoon. Flying washed out at 1400 hours. Lecture with movies for all staff (Cont.) and trainees for balance of afternoon period. Seven more new instructors posted to the strength of this unit - all from No. 26 SFTS, Neepawa, Manitoba - F/O Humble, F/O Haas, F/O Craig, F/O Moreland, F/O Hollinshead, P/O Duncan, P/O Johnson.

11 Aug./44 1700 Commanding Officer's parade and inspection held on main parade square. Parade turned over to Trainee Leadership "Officers" by S/L Bushell. Trainees showed themselves well versed and did a capable job of handling the parade. Flying washed out all morning on account of very strong winds. Lecture held in Ground Instruction School on procedure for testing by F/L D.L. Baker, Officer Commanding Testing Flight. Ground school and physical training programme for staff and trainees followed by lecture on discipline to all ranks given by Assistant Chief Flying Instructor. Flying training washed in at 1430 hours for balance of the day. Weather good. Course S.6 graduated today. There were 8 graduates and they are held at Unit awaiting posting instructions. The original intake for the course was 18, one RAF and 17 RCAF trainees. The adjusted intake was 18 RCAF and 1 RAF. There was one airman transferred to Course S.8. The remaining 10 airmen are held at Unit pending reselection at the Unit Reselection Board. The wastage percentage for the course is 55.6%.

12 Aug./44 1700 Forty-eights in effect for half of personnel. Quiet day on Unit.

13 Aug./44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Lecture room for Roman Catholic personnel. First round of station golf tournament completed at Prince Albert Golf Club.

14 Aug./44 1700 Flying training washed in at 0745 hours. Kit inspection held for all airmen below rank of WOI with a number of officers acting as inspecting officers. Lectures in Ground school on the Cornell aircraft given by Mr. B. Lepine of the civilian maintenance staff. Course S.9 commenced their flying training today. Twenty-eight trainees were posted in over the week-end, reporting from No. 1 AOS, Malton, Ontario, No. 31 ANS, Port Albert, Ontario and No. 33 ANS, Hamilton, Ontario. Quiet day on Unit.

15 Aug./44 1700 Flying training in effect all day from 0745 to 1700 hours. Good flying weather. All courses now up to schedule. Another quiet day on the Unit.

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16 Aug./44 1700 Overcast first thing in morning, flying training commenced at 0800 to 1700 hours. (C3984) S/L O.W. Crawford of No. 2 Training Command arrived on Unit to conduct Reselection Board on ceased training cases and voluntary remusters.

17 Aug./44 1700 Heavy ground fog in early morning which disappeared in time to commence flying training at 0730 hours. Flying in progress all day until 1600 hours, when it was washed out on account of high winds. F/O Glass and F/O Boettger went to No. 18 SFTS, Gimli, Manitoba to get refresher flight and briefing room Information for the Unit. Reselection board held on Unit for failures in Course S.6. The three direct entry graduates of Course S.6 posted to No. 6 OTU, Comox, British Columbia.

18 Aug./44 1700 Commanding Officer's parade and inspection held for all ranks. Trainee Leadership officers took over after inspection carried out. F/L Eastwood (C7146), No. 2 Training Command R.T.O. visited unit to discuss transportation problems. Flying training in effect until 1600 hours, when it was washed out on account of high winds and approaching storm. (C9098) F/L J. Queen of No. 11 Equipment Depot arrived on unit to inspect aircraft instruments and hold conference with civilian maintenance staff. F/O's Glass and Boettger returned to unit from No. 18 SFTS, Gimli, Manitoba.

19 Aug./44 1700 Good flying weather all day. F/L J.A. Boyd (C23176) arrived from No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan to relieve Station Medical Officer temporarily. Quiet day on Unit.

20 Aug./44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic church parade held in Navigation Class Room. Quiet day on Unit. (C5802) F/L W.J. Hind, Assistant Chief Flying Instructor returned to unit after absence of six weeks attending Administration Course at No. 1 KTS, Trenton, Ontario. Illustrated lecture held in Salvation Army Recreation Auditorium for all ranks. Lecture was given by Mr. Charles Cowles giving his impressions of Mexico, having just returned to Canada from that country. Coloured moving pictures were shown and questions answered by Mr. Cowles and his wife.

21 Aug./44 1700 Excellent flying weather all day from 0745 to 1700 hours. Quiet day on Unit.

22 Aug./44 1700 Ground fog in early morning, but cleared up in time for flying training to commence at 0800 hours. Flying training all day to 1700 hours. Another quiet normal day on Unit.

23 Aug./44 1700 Flying training from 0745 to 1700 hours, good flying weather. Quiet day on Unit.

24 Aug./44 1700 Excellent flying weather although becoming windy in late afternoon. Three promotions announced on Unit today - F/O Bowman. F/O McFarlaae and F/O Whalen all promoted to acting Flight Lieutenant. (Cont.)

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24 Aug./44 1700 (J17371) F/L F.E. McLaren of No. 2 Training Command arrived on unit to (Cont.) discuss Aircrew Leadership matters. He was accompanied by Lieutenant Meehan of the British Army, who gave lectures on "Gen" Club.

25 Aug./44 1700 Commanding Officer's parade held with trainees taking complete charge and holding officers positions. Flying washed out during morning period on account of heavy rains. Conferences held by F/L McLaren with Commanding Officer and Officer in charge of aircrew leadership. Physical Training programme and lecture periods put into effect for instructors and students on account of washout day. Quiet day on Unit. Course S.8 graduated today. There were 8 graduates and are held at Unit pending posting. The original intake for the course was 18 RCAF. The adjusted intake was 19 RCAF trainees. Three trainees transferred to Course S.9. The remaining 8 airmen are held at Unit pending reselection at the Unit Reselection Board. The wastage percentage for the course is 50%.

26 Aug./44 1700 Flying washed out for entire day, aerodrome found unserviceable after rain for past thirty-six hours, windy. Playoffs in Prince Albert City Baseball League started today, but our Station Team withdrew due to team being riddled with postings. Washout day programme of Physical Training and lectures put into effect for staff and trainees.

27 Aug./44 1700 Sunday, Roman Catholic church parade held in Navigation Class Room. Quiet day on unit. Last matches of second round in Station Golf Tournament completed at Prince Albert Golf Course. Commanding Officer S/L S.A. Bushell left by air at 1000 hours for Winnipeg to attend No. 2 Training Command Commanding Officers' Conference held there tomorrow.

28 Aug./44 1700 Flying training did not get under way until 0815 hours, due to thick ground fog earlier in morning. Flying from 0815 to 1700 hours. Four more new instructors arrived on Unit from No. 31 EFTS, DeWinton, Alberta. F/L W.J. Hind (J5802) assumes temporary command of Unit during absence of S/L S.A. Bushell. New Medical Officer (C35054) F/L A.E. Theman arrived on Unit to replace (C10201) F/L W.C. Guest, who has been posted to No. 3 Bombing and Gunnery School, MacDonald, Manitoba. This was an exchange posting. Course S.10 started flying training today with intake of eighteen students.

29 Aug./44 1700 Ground fog again in early morning, but cleared in time to start flying from 0745 to 1700 hours. (Cont.)

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29 Aug./44 1700 (C5374) F/L J.W. Comeau of No. 2 Training Command arrived on unit to (Cont.) inspect and report on repairable equipment. Informal gathering held in Officers Mess to say farewell to station Medical Officer F/L Guest, who left today for MacDonald, Manitoba. Commanding Officer S/L S.A. Bushell arrived back at 2230 hours from conference in Winnipeg.

30 Aug./44 1700 Flying training did not start until 1000 hours on account of ground fog and low overcast in vicinity of aerodrome. Weather cleared up and day was warm and clear. Good flying weather from 1000 hours to 1700 hours. (C3894) S/L O.W. Crawford, Reselection Officer from No. 2 Training Command arrived on Unit to conduct reselection board on ceased training cases and voluntary remusters. Seven direct entry graduates of Course S.8 posted to No. 2 Wireless School, Calgary, Alberta and one to No. 1 Training Command, Toronto, Ontario.

31 Aug./44 1700 Ground fog in early morning prevented flying until 1100 hours. Moving pictures on R.T. Voice Procedure shown to all instructors and trainees as a washout period programme. Weather cleared up and flying in progress all day from 1100 to 1700 hours. Quiet day on Unit.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>			
R.C.A.F.	74	34	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>			
C.D.C.	2	1	
	1	1	3
<u>TOTAL STAFF</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>3</u>

<u>TRAINEES</u>	R.C.A.F.	3	62
	R.A.F.		7
<u>TOTAL TRAINEES</u>		<u>3</u>	<u>69</u>

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:

<u>TYPE:</u>	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Tiger Moth	1	NIL
Cornell	60	6
Harvard	1	NIL

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of August was 1663:35 hours.

(S.A. Bushell) Squadron Leader  
 Commanding Officer RCAF Personnel,  
 No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask.



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1 Sept/44 1700

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>			
R.C.A.F.	74	34	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>	2	1	
C.D.C.	1	1	3
TOTAL	<u>77</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>TRAINEES</u>			
R.C.A.F.	3	62	
R.A.F.		7	
TOTAL	<u>3</u>	<u>69</u>	

Good flying weather. Flying training in effect from 0745 to 1700 hours. (C3894) S/L O.W. Crawford, Reselection Officer from No. 2 Training Command, departed by air for No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Sask., after conducting reselection board for ceased training cases on the Unit. Five ceased trainees were reselected Air Bombers and posted No. 5 B&G School, Dafoe, Saskatchewan. Two were reselected Navigators and posted No. 1 CNS, Rivers, Manitoba and one reselected Wireless Operator Air Gunner and held at unit pending disposal.

2 Sept/44 1700 Good flying weather. One half of personnel on forty-eight. (J36235) F/O J. Rita and (J38036) F/O R. Henderson from No. 19 EFTS, Virden, Manitoba visited the unit in connection with Aircrew Leadership programme. Quiet day on the unit.

3 Sept/44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic Church Parade in Navigation Class Room. RCAF Station wagon involved in motor accident at 0200 hours. Service police were returning from town patrol and ran into civilian automobile that was parked in the ditch. Accident occurred about one mile from airport. Driver uninjured, but two NCO's were slightly injured and removed to hospital. Commanding Officer detailed C26868 F/O F.R. Glass to investigate the matter. Decoration day parade held at 1500 hours at Prince Albert Cenotaph. A squadron of forty-eight airmen and ten officers represented the Unit. (J9667) F/L A.A. Lauder was officer in charge of parade and he placed a wreath on the Cenotaph on behalf of the RCAF. Detachments from the Army and Navy were also in the parade.

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4 Sept/44 1700 Good flying weather all day from 0745 to 1700 hours. Two more Free French personnel posted to the unit for instruction of Allied Nationals. Both are Warrant Officers. Mr.

Lepine of Civilian maintenance staff went to No. 13 SFTS, North Battleford, Sask., for short course pertaining to the Harvard aircraft. Quiet day on Unit.

5 Sept/44 1700 Another good flying day. Flying training from 0745 to 1700 hours. Quiet normal day on unit. S/L S.A. Bushell reassumes command of unit on his return from leave.

6 Sept/44 1700 Good flying weather all day from 0745 to 1700 hours. Harvard step test conducted for all General List personnel on the unit.

7 Sept/44 1700 Another good flying day. Flying training in effect from 0745 to 1700 hours. Five more instructors left for No. 2 FIS, Pearce, Alberta to take Senior Instructors Course being held at that unit. (C1105) S/L S.A. Bushell has been posted to War Staff College, Toronto, Ontario. Command of the unit RCAF personnel taken over by (J5802) F/L W.J. Hind. Farewell get together at Officers' Mess for S/L Bushell, who leaves tomorrow night.

8 Sept/44 1700 Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection held on main parade square. Parade again turned over to trainees under Aircrew Leadership programme. Good flying weather all day from 0745 to 1700 hours. Short talk to all personnel given by F/L W.J. Hind, on assuming command of the unit. Twelve instructors posted from the unit, six going to No. 1 Training Command, Toronto and six going to No. 3 Training Command, Montreal. (C14589; F/L W.S. Martin of No. 2 Training Command Headquarters arrived on Unit from Dafoe, Saskatchewan to take summary of evidence in connection with Motor Transport accident. There were seven graduates and are held at Unit pending posting. The original intake for the course was 18 RCAF. The adjusted intake was 21 RCAF. There were two transfers to Course S10. One airman remustered to basic trade of WEM "A", the remaining eleven airmen are held at unit pending reselection at the Unit Reselection Board. The wastage percentage for the course is 63.1%.

9 Sept/44 1700 Flying training from 0745 to 1200 hours. Station Golf Tournament played at Prince Albert Golf Club. Six flights of eight players competed and tournament conducted under match play rules. Mr. K.B. Dundas, Civilian Chief Ground Instructor handled the tournament, which was enjoyed by all. Prizes given by civilian company to winners and runner up of each flight. F/L W.S. Martin proceeding with summary of evidence.

10 Sept/44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic Church parade held in Navigation Class Room. Finals of Station Golf (Cont.)

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10 Sept/44 1700 Tournament played at Prince Albert Golf Club. (Cont.)

11 Sept/44 1700 Weather good for all flying from 0745 to 1700 hours. Two NCO instructors appointed to rank of Pilot Officer, they are (R96953) WO1 Bilodeau, J.R.P. and (R123903) WO1 Dufort, M.L. H/F/L Racsynski resigned his commission as part time chaplain (RC). Course S11 began training today, with an intake of thirteen RCAF trainees.

12 Sept/44 1700 Low clouds and fog made flying impossible for morning period. Illustrated lecture given to instructors and students on thunder storms. F/L F.A. Brewster, RAF Instructor reported to unit for duty. He comes here from No. 2 Training Command, Winnipeg. Flying washed in at 1345 hours for rest of the day. S/L O.W. Crawford of No. 2 Training Command reselection staff reported on unit to hold reselection board on ceased training cases. Four were reselected Air Bombers and posted No. 5 B&G School, Dafoe, Saskatchewan, two reselected Navigators posted to No. 1 CNS, Rivers, Manitoba, three reselected Navigator "B" posted RCAF Station, Mountain View, Ontario and two reselected Air Gunners held at unit pending disposal. F/L W.S. Martin completed Summary of Evidence and departed by air for No. 2 Training Command.

13 Sept/44 1700 Weather good for flying. Flying training washed in at 0745 hours, windy in afternoon - dual flying only. S/L Crawford departed by air for No. 23 EFTS, Davidson, Saskatchewan. Captain R.E. Partridge, Unit Dental Officer proceeded to Toronto to attend Dental Course there at the C.D.C.T.T.C.

14 Sept/44 1700 Flying washed in at 0745 hours, good flying weather in the morning period. Rain and fog caused washout at 1430 hours for period of one hour. Flying then washed in until 1700 hours. (C10348) F/L J.W. Baldock arrived on unit to arrange for hard surfacing of roads on camp. The seven direct entry graduates of Course S.9 were posted to RCAF Station, Tofino, B.C.

15 Sept/44 1700 Commanding Officer's Parade, ensign hoisting and inspection held. Memorial Service to Commemorate Battle of Britain held for all ranks in Salvation Army Auditorium. Service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Ellis in absence of Bishop Martin who is at present in the east. Flying training in effect all day from 0900 hours to 1700 hours. Another RAF officer posted to staff here. (160685) F/O (Cont.)

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15 Sept/44 1700 I.R. Hickson. He also came from No. 2 Training Command.  
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16 Sept/44 1700 Flying training washed in at 0745 hours. Weather good for flying. Quiet day on the unit.

17 Sept/44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Class room for Roman Catholic personnel. Memorial Church service held for all personnel on unit. Service conducted by Mr. Ellis in absence of Honorary F/L Martin, part time Chaplain (P).

18 Sept/44 1700 Flying washed in at 0745 hours. Flying washed out at 1045 due to rain and low ceiling. Flying training again resumed at 1445 hours to 1700 hours. Physical training period and lectures for all ranks during washout period. F/O E.A. Burn, DFC returned to unit after attending Personnel Counsellors Course at Rockcliffe, Ontario.

19 Sept/44 1700 Fair flying weather, low ceiling and scattered showers. Flying washed in at 0745

hours. Another quiet day on the unit.

20 Sept/44 1700 Flying training in progress from 0745 to 1700 hours. Weather good except for scattered showers and some low clouds. Visiting Flight arrived on unit from No. 23 EFTS, Davidson, Saskatchewan. Flight composed of C13130 S/L H.C. Forbell, J22352 F/L M.J. Pettit, J27041 F/O N. Leatherdale, C26190 F/O A.R. Lajoie and R69059 Cpl. F.C. Davey. The flight expects to be here about two weeks. The P.M.O., S/L T.E. Kirk (C4050) arrived on unit for inspection of station hospital.

21 Sept/44 1700 Flying washed in at 0745 hours. Weather good all day. S/L F.H. Darragh (J7742) T.F.2 at No. 2 Training Command arrived on unit for conference on flying training matters. Station Golf team departed for Winnipeg to compete in No. 2 Training Command Golf Championship to be held at Pine Ridge Course in Winnipeg. Team composed of two officers, one NCO and one LAC.

22 Sept/44 1700 Ground fog covered aerodrome until 0845 hours, when flying training commenced. Visiting flight flying with instructors in afternoon period. Commanding Officer's parade and inspection held on main parade square. F/L J.A. Boyd (C23176) Medical Officer from No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan arrived on temporary duty to relieve our Medical Officer, F/L Theman, who departed for Winnipeg. Course S10 graduated today. There were three graduates, one direct entry posted to RCAF Station, Tofino, B.C. and the remaining two held pending disposal. The original intake for the course was 16 RCAF and two RAF trainees. Two RCAF transfers to the course and one RCAF transfer from the course. One reselected Navigator and posted No. 1 CNS, Rivers, Manitoba. The remaining 15 airmen are held at Unit pending reselection at the Unit Reselection Board. The wastage percentage for the course is 84.2%.

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23 Sept/44 1700 Flying training in affect from 0745 hours. Quiet and normal day on Unit. Unit Golf Team finished fourth out of sixteen foursomes at No. 2 Command Golf Tournament held in Winnipeg. Six trainee officers arrived on unit for entry into Course S.12.

24 Sept/44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Class room. No flying today.

25 Sept/44 1700 Flying training from 0745 to 1700 hours. Visiting flight hard at work checking instructors and students. (C9725) F/L H.B. Peto, Aircraft Recognition Officer from No. 2 Training Command arrived by air for consultation with Commanding Officer and Chief Ground Instructor. Course S.12 started training today, made up of 14 RCAF trainees, including six officers.

26 Sept/44 1700 Fog during early part of morning. Flying training not started until 0945 hours. Flying all day until 1700 hours. Detachment of 14 airmen arrived on unit to start work of hard surfacing station roads. (C23679) F/O H.G. Wedge, Armament Officer from No. 2 Training Command arrived on unit for inspection visit.

27 Sept/44 1700 Flying training from 0745 hours until 1700 hours. Good flying weather for entire period. Another quiet and normal day on the unit. Reselection Board held today on ceased training cases in Course S.10. Seven reselected Air Bombers, three reselected Air Gunners, two reselected Navigators and one Navigator "B". All are being held on unit pending disposition instructions. Monthly clothing parade held on unit under supervision of Equipment Staff from No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

28 Sept/44 1700 Flying training washed in at 0745 hours. Weather good during entire period to 1700 hours. Visiting flight still hard at work testing Instructors and trainees. Another instructor posted to staff, F/O P.E.W. Wessslus (RAF 132823), he is a Netherland Instructor reporting here from No. 4 Training Command, Calgary to instruct allied national trainees. Four more promotions among instructors on staff, from Pilot Officer to Flying Officer.

29 Sept/44 1700 No flying for entire day, due to high winds and snow fall. First one of the season. Lecture in Ground school on Post War rehabilitation given to all ranks by F/o E.A. Burn, who has just completed Personnel Counsellors Course at Rockclffe.

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30 Sept/44 1700 No flying due to high winds and snow falls. One half station on "forty-eight" hour passes. Lectures and Physical Training for balance of personnel.

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>			
R.C.A.F.	68	29	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>	4	2	
C.D.C.	1	1	3
TOTAL STAFF	73	32	3

<u>TRAINEES</u>	R.C.A.F.	7	49
	R.A.F.		16
TOTAL TRAINEES		7	65

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:

<u>TYPE:</u>	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
Cornell	63	3
Harvard	1	
Anson	1	

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of September was 1825:20

(W.J. Hind) Flight Lieutenant,  
Commanding Officer RCAF Personnel,  
No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

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1 Oct/44 1700

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
<u>STAFF</u>			
R.C.A.F.	68	29	
<u>SERVICE PERSONNEL, (OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)</u>	4	2	
C.D.C.	1	1	3
TOTAL	<u>73</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>TRAINEES</u>			
R.C.A.F.	7	49	
R.A.F.		16	
TOTAL	<u>7</u>	<u>65</u>	

Sunday - no flying. Roman Catholic Church Parade held in navigation Class Room. Quiet day on Unit.

2 Oct/44 1700 Flying was delayed for a short period due to fog conditions, flying washed in at 0840 hours and continued through good weather to 1700 hours. A very successful stag party held in the Officers' Mess in honor of Visiting Flight.

3 Oct/44 1700 Flying training carried out from 0745 hours to 1700 hours. Drill instruction period for all staff held at 1100 hours. (J8655) F/L C.G. Stalker and (10357) WO2 Patterson, G.J. of Command visiting squadron arrived by air from Saskatoon. Air Cadets of Prince Albert Collegiate attended Physical Training and drill class conducted by P/O Ewart and Sgt. Caswell in the station drill hall at 1900 hours.

4 Oct/44 1700 Flying delayed until 0940 hours, due to fog conditions but continued through remainder of period to 1700 hours. (C14253) S/L G.S. Halter, (C9299) F/L J.F. Lornie, (C21084) F/O D.L. Campbell, (C1304) F/L W.M. Knight, (C13518) F/O F.E. Mullin arrived on temporary duty to conduct District Court Martial. Visiting Flight Commander S/L Forbell gave a very favourable report on training carried out and enthusiasm shown by instructors in a lecture attended

by the staff at 1000 hours. F/O J.N. Hannant and J.P. Leach RAF gave a lecture to staff and trainees on overseas operations.

5 Oct/44 1700 Flying washed out all day due to low ceiling and rain. Visiting Flight departed 1040 hours. (Cont.)

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5 Oct/44 1700 District Court Martial for Cpl. Ackerman was held from 1400 hours to 1545 hours. (Cont.)

6 Oct/44 1700 Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection held in No. 7 Hangar at 0600 hours. Flying washed in at 0845 hours and continued through period to 1700 hours. PST Course S11 graduated today. There were seven graduates, six direct entry graduates posted RCAF Station, Tofino, British Columbia. The original intake for the course was 13 RCAF. There was one RCAF trainee officer transferred to the course. One graduate held pending posting instructions and the remaining seven held at Unit pending reselection at the Unit Reselection Board. The wastage percentage for the course is 50%.

7 Oct/44 1700 Good weather today, normal flying training carried out through period from 0745 hours to 1200 hours. (C14264) F/L J.A.L. Whalen departed by rail to attend a Victory Loan conference at Command Headquarters in Winnipeg.

8 Oct/44 1700 Sunday - Roman Catholic Church parade held in the Navigation classroom at 0730 hours. No flying, a quiet day.

9 Oct/44 1700 Flying washed in at 0745 hours. Weather dull but improved in latter part of period to 1700 hours. Course S12 flying.

10 Oct/44 1700 Flying detained until 0845 hours due to morning fog, continued flying until 1700 hours. Another quiet day on the Unit.

11 Oct/44 1700 Flying washed in at 0745 hours to 1615 hours, when flying ceased to allow all staff to attend Rifle Drill from 1630 to 1730 hours. Ground school program for flying instructors commenced this morning to continue three weeks. (C3894) S/L O.W.E. Crawford visited station on trainee reselection matters.

12 Oct/44 1700 Flying washed in at 0745 hours in good weather, continued through period to 1615 hours. Ground school program for flying instructors carried out from 0800 hours to 1200 hours. (V30187) Fl/o E.M. Raynor arrived on temporary duty to inspect station messing facilities. (C2659) F/L J.A. Fitzimmons carried out an inspection of the Prince Albert Air Cadet squadron at the collegiate assisted by P/O Ewart and Sgt. Caswell of this station.

13 Oct/44 1700 Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection held for all ranks. Commanding Officer turned parade over to Officer Commanding Aircrew Leadership and trainees acted in place

of officers. Flying washed in at 0850 hours. Ground school for instructors from 0900 to 1200 hours. PST course S12 finished up their tests this afternoon. Flying training washed out at 1615 hours. Drill for (Cont.)

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13 Oct/44 1700 Senior N.C.O.'s and Officers from 1630 to 1715 hours.  
(Cont.)

14 Oct/44 1700 Half station on forty-eight hour pass. Weather unsuitable for flying - low ceiling. F/L J.W. Baldock (C10348) Works and Buildings Officer from No. 2 Training Command visited Unit to inspect hard surfacing of station streets just completed by No. 2 C and M Unit of Winnipeg. Formal dance held in Officers' Mess. Good music, good crowd, good entertainment and refreshments.

15 Oct/44 1700 Sunday - Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Class room. Service conducted by Rev. Father Daoust, Civilian Chaplain (R.C.). Quiet day on the Unit.

16 Oct/44 1700 Flying training washed in at 0745 hours for instructors not on ground school course because they are to take reversion course at No. 2 F.I.S., Pearce, Alberta. Ground school and Drill course for balance of staff. Captain R.E. Partridge, Station Dental Officer returned from No. 33 S.F.T.S., Carberry, Manitoba where he has been for past two weeks on temporary duty. Night flying in effect for instructors from 1930 hours to 2300 hours.

17 Oct/44 1700 Flying training started at 0745 hours. Flying washed out for balance of the day at 1135 hours on account of very strong winds. Ground school and drill in afternoon. Pictures on "Europe's War" and "The Aeroplane Makes the World Smaller" also shown to station personnel.

18 Oct/44 1700 Flying training washed in at 0745 hours. Excellent flying weather right through the day until 1700 hours. The R.A.F. Officers on staff here posted to No. 23 EFTS, Davidson, Sask., they are F/L Brewster, F/O Hickson and F/O Wessilius. (CANJ45901) P/O T.A.Q. Sown and (J48229) P/O M.L. Dufort posted to No. 1 F.I.S., Trenton, Ontario to take reversion course. F/O D.C. Horne (J36613) arrived from No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan to acquaint himself with system in effect here for briefing students.

19 Oct/44 1700 Flying training from 0745 to 1200 hours. Flying washed out for entire afternoon. Meeting held for everyone on the station, service and civilians at 1330 hours. The Manager, Mr. Rawlinson addressed the meeting and informed them that he had just received word from Air Force Headquarters that all civilian operated schools were to close down. The news came as a shock to us all because (Cont.)

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19 Oct/44 1700 everyone thought we were to recommence EFTS training in December. The  
(Cont.) official closing data for this Unit is to be 15th November. Mr. Rawlinson



informed RCAF personnel that posting instruction for them would come in between 1st and 15th of November and in the meantime the Unit was to carry on in a normal manner. Five more instructors posted to No. 2 FIS, Pearce, Alberta to take the instructors reversion course there. This now makes a total of thirty-five instructors from this Unit at Pearce on course.

20 Oct/44 1700 Flying washed in at 0745 hours. Good flying weather all day up to 1700 hours when flying washed out. Most of instructors in ground school in morning, but a lot of hours put in in the afternoon period. Course S12 graduated today. The original intake for the course was 14 RCAF, including five trainee officers. There were seven graduates. One officer on course voluntarily ceased training now posted to No. 10 EFTS, Pendleton, Ontario for resumption of pilot training. Graduates and failures held at Unit pending instructions for disposal. The wastage percentage for the course is 50%.

21 Oct/44 1700 One half station on forty-eight hour pass. Quiet day on Unit. Informal party held in Officers' Mess.

22 Oct/44 1700 Sunday - Roman Catholic Church Parade held in navigation Class room.

23 Oct/44 1700 Washout weather all day. Low ceiling and heavy fog. Ground school and drill periods in effect. Five more instructors returned from Pearce, Alberta, having completed eight week reversion course there. Victory Loan Campaign started on the Unit with service personnel exceeding their quota on the first day of the drive. The Commanding Officer F/L W.J. Hind promoted to rank of Squadron Leader.

24 Oct/44 1700 Flying training washed out for the entire day on account of very strong winds. Ground school, drill and lecture programme in effect for station personnel. Three trainees in Storage Pool reselected Air Gunners by the Unit Reselection Board.

25 Oct/44 1700 Flying training washed in at 0745 hours with good weather all day. The movie star Gail Patrick arrived by air at 1110 hours to help Victory Loan Drive in city of Prince Albert. Loan Rally held on Unit 1600 hours with Miss Patrick as guest of honor. She was introduced to the capacity crowd in the Salvation Amy Auditorium by the Manager Mr. E.A. Rawlinson. Miss Patrick then put on a short humorous skit assisted by a trainee, LAC Teno and the Commanding Officer S/L W.J. Bind. The act was well put over and received. She departed for No. 4 SFTS, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan by air at 1700 hours. All personnel attended a lecture at 1800 hours given by Professor McEwan of the University of Saskatchewan.

26 Oct/44 1700 Flying training washed in at 0745 hours with good weather in effect for entire day. Ground (Cont.)

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26 Oct/44 1700 school and drill for those not on flying detail. A Unit Reselection Board was held

(Cont.) on ceased training cases, eight being reselected Flight Engineer.

27 Oct/44 1700 Flying training started at 0745 hours and lasted until 1100 hours. Victory Loan films shown to all ranks at 1130 hours. Pay parade held on Unit. Cpl. Lines, F.A. posted here to staff of Service Police arrived on the Unit. Flying training from 1330 to 1700 hours. Quiet day on the Unit.

28 Oct/44 1700 No flying on Unit today. Strong winds. Quiet day on the Unit. Formal party held in Sergeants Mess with good crowd in attendance.

29 Oct/44 1700 Sunday. Roman Catholic Church Parade held in navigation Class Room. Quiet day on the Unit.

30 Oct/44 1700 Washout weather for the entire period of day flying caused by low ceiling and freezing rain. Ground school. Physical Training and Drill with lectures for station personnel. First week of Victory Loan Drive on unit shows station well ahead of quota with practically all personnel subscribing. (C5165) F/L A.E. Chard and (C2259) S/L E. Higgin, G.I.S. Officers from No. 2 Training Command arrived on Unit to check over G.I.S. and Navigation equipment. Word received from Air Force Headquarters to reinstate the three trainee officers to pilots, who were failures on PST Course S12.

31 Oct/44 1700 No flying due to washout weather - low clouds and poor visibility still persists. (C14618) F/L R.A. Prowse and party of two senior NCO's - WO2 Hendron and F/S Longpre arrived on Unit to set up disbandment procedure. Quiet day on the Unit. Ground school, Physical Training and Drill programme in effect for staff personnel. Three ceased trainees reselected by the Unit Reselection Board.

IMAGE 207

31 Oct/44 1700

<u>PERSONNEL STRENGTH</u>	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS</u>	<u>CIVILIANS</u>
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STAFF

R.C.A.F.	50	25	
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SERVICE PERSONNEL,  
(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)

C.D.C.	1	3	
	1	1	2
<b>TOTAL STAFF</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>2</b>

TRAINEES R.C.A.F.

6	24
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R.A.F.

6
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**TOTAL TRAINEES**

<b>6</b>	<b>30</b>
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AIRCRAFT STRENGTH:

	<u>SERVICEABLE</u>	<u>UNSERVICEABLE</u>
<u>TYPE:</u>		
Cornell	66	
Harvard	1	

FLYING HOURS

The total number of hours flown during the month of October was 700:05

(W.J. Hind) Squadron Leader,  
Commanding Officer RCAF Personnel,  
No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

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1 Nov/44 1700

PERSONNEL STRENGTH    OFFICERS    AIRMEN OR OTHER RANKS    CIVILIANS

STAFF

R.C.A.F.    50    25

SERVICE PERSONNEL,  
(OTHER THAN R.C.A.F.)

C.D.C.    1    3    2

TOTAL    52    29    2

TRAINEES    R.C.A.F.    6    24  
                  R.A.F.               6  
TOTAL TRAINEES    6    30

Washout weather still persists - no flying due to low clouds and precipitation, (C27966) F/L C.R. Davidson, M.O. from Saskatoon left for his unit after relieving our Unit Medical Officer for past three days. F/L R.A. Prowse (C14618) officer in charge Disbandment Board and party arrived on Unit to start disbanding this Unit which is to close shortly. Mr. M.C. McGinnis and party of three are now at work making survey of station and its aerodrome.

2 Nov/44 1700 No flying again to-day due to inclement weather. Ground School and P.T. programme in effect for officers and airmen. At request of 2 T.C. reselection officer - 9 trainees in storage pool on Unit reselected to Flight Engineer. Disbandment Board now set-up and at work. Two more of their party arrived on Unit to-day. R51292 F/S Longpre, A.J. to be in charge of Disbandment Board in absence of F/L Prowse who is disbanding this Unit as well as No. 19

E.F.T.S., Virden, Man.

3 Nov/44 1700 Washout programme still in effect due to rain and low clouds - no flying on Unit to-day. Commanding Officer's Parade and Inspection held in Drill Hangar. Five more instructors posted to reversion course at 2 F.I.S. Pearce, Alta. Eighteen more trainee remusters posted from the Unit - 5 going to No. 5 B&G School, Dafoe, Sask. 2 going to No. 7 B&G School, Paulson, Man. 3 going to No. 5 A.O.S. Winnipeg, and 8 going to T.T.S. St. Thomas, Ontario.

4 Nov/44 1700 Weather still unsuitable for flying. Washout programme of P.T. & Drill and Ground School in effect all day for Instructors and students. Two more remustered trainees posted to T.T.S., St. Thomas, Ontario for Flight Engineer training. Due to closing of Unit word received to-day (Cont.)

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4 Nov/44 1700 that all personnel except those required to close the Unit must be posted not later (Cont.) than 7 November, 1944 to make room for Army Co-operation Unit and a number of Army troops who will be put in barracks on this Unit. (C.59) A/C A.J. Ashton and (C2213) W/C R.S. Cross, Staff Officers from No. 2 T.C. arrived by Air at 1800 hrs. from Winnipeg to help organize matters with Civilian Company for incoming Army Co-operation unit and Army personnel. Farewell party held in Officers Mess.

5 Nov/44 1700 Sunday - Roman Catholic Church Parade held in Navigation Class Room. Conferences held with A/C Ashton and W/C Cross re: closing of the Station. F/L R.A. Prowse officer in charge disbandment board arrived on Unit.

6 Nov/44 1700 Poor flying weather still persists - ground fog. Most of our flying instructors posted from the Unit - 5 going to No. 2 F.I.S. Pearce, Alta. 2 going to No. 1 F.I.S. Trenton, Ontario, 17 going to No. 18 S.F.T.S., Gimli, Man., 2 to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask, and 1 to No. 1 C.N.S. Rivers, Man. All Link instructors posted to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask.

7 Nov/44 1700 A/C Ashton and W/C Cross of 2 T.C. departed for Saskatoon by rail after being grounded here due to poor flying weather. Rest of instructor staff and all of ground staff except CO., Adjutant, Met. Section and Orderly Room staff now posted from the Unit. Officer in charge Disbandment Board departed by rail for No. 19 E.F.T.S., Virden, Manitoba. H/F/L H.D. Martin (C5236) (Bishop of Saskatchewan) who has been our part time Chaplain (P) was to-day transferred to the R.C.A.F. Reserve for Officers. All R.C.A.F. trainees now posted from the Unit, the 6 Trainee Officers being posted to No. 4 S.F.T.S., Saskatoon, Sask.

8 Nov/44 1700 Cease flying order received by Civilian Operating Company and all aircraft of No. 6 E.F.T.S. now grounded. Balance of trainees (R.A.F.) posted to No. 23 E.F.T.S., Davidson, Sask. F/S Esper, J. (R54113) Equipment Assistant, posted to this Unit to handle equipment expected to be incoming shortly for use of R.C.A.F. Army Co-operation Unit. Disbandment Board now hard at work taking over from Civilian Company. Few Cornell aircraft flown out to Holding Units but poor weather has held up Ferry Flight.

9 Nov/44 1700 Station quiet except for Disbandment Board activities. Three more aircraft ferried out to Holding Unit at Estevan, Sask. before weather again closed in.

10 Nov/44 1700 S/L C.R. Stover DFC (CAN J8922) new Commanding Officer of R.C.A.F. Army Co-operation Unit reported in to Unit to assume his duties on 15 of November. Weather somewhat better and about 12 aircraft ferried out to Holding Units.

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11 Nov/44 1700 Quiet day on the Unit. Disbandment Board active in clearing up unit for Civilian Company. Majority of Civilian employees given notice to be effective 15th of November.

12 Nov/44 1700 Quiet day on Unit.

13 Nov/44 1700 Quiet day on Unit.

14 Nov/44 1700 Quiet day on Unit.

15 Nov/44 1700 Establishment for No. 6 E.F.T.S. cancelled this date. S/L W.J. Hind (J5302) Commanding Officer R.C.A.F. personnel and Chief Flying Instructor of this Unit posted to No. 2 Training Command for duties in Air Branch. Following personnel formerly on strength of No. 6 E.F.T.S. posted to staff of R.C.A.F. Army Co-operation Unit, Prince Albert, Sask. which takes over this Station tomorrow - F/L J.A. Whalen (C14264) Adjutant, F/S G. Morris (R116141) Disciplinarian, Sgt. A. Bercovich (R102432) N.C.O. in charge Orderly Room, and 4 Meteorological Section Airmen, Cpl. W.. Sheridan (R80523) LAC W.C. McLean (R80376), LAC L.O. Larson (R94912), LAC J.E. Smith (R100193). This ends the Diary of No. 6 E.F.T.S., Prince Albert, Sask.

PERSONNEL STRENGTH - NIL

AIRCRAFT STRENGTH - NIL

FLYING HOURS - NIL

J.A. Whalen F/L for  
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