

Avro Lancaster And Manchester Bomber Aircraft Losses: March 1942

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Date: 09 March 1942 **Night/Day Raid** Night

Type: Manchester **Serial No:** R5779

Service History: Avro Manchester MkIA fitted with 33'-0" span tail and twin fins. Replacement airframe, original was one of thirteen destroyed during a bombing raid on the works 23-12-40, A.V. Roe & Co. Ltd., del'd 1-8-41 (for engine change, modifications and storage), 83 Sqn del'd 24-12-41 OL-G

Classification: Shot Down **SOC/Crash Site:** Oranje, Holland

Target/Tasking Essen

Crew Names: F/O R.W. Cooper +; Sgt. J.T.H. Mowat +; Sgt. M.J.C. Cross +; Sgt. G.W. Balby +; Sgt.C. Broad +; Sgt. A. Key pow; Sgt. G.W. Rex pow

Date: 09 March 1942 **Night/Day Raid** Night

Type: Manchester **Serial No:** L7426

Service History: Avro Manchester MkI fitted with 33'-0" span tail and triple fins, Retrofitted with twin fins and designated Manchester MkIA, 61 Sqn del'd 26-6-41 QR-?, 43 GDA del'd 4-7-41, 83 Sqn del'd 10-12-41 OL-D

Classification: Shot Down **SOC/Crash Site:** IJsselmeer, Holland

Target/Tasking Essen

Crew Names: P/O C.R. Frost, DFM +; P/O I.F. Livingstone +; P/O W.A. Harris, RCAF +; F/Sgt. W.D. Biltcliffe +; Sgt. S. Grunwell +; Sgt. H.R. Ray +; Sgt. J.H. Stone +

Date: 12 March 1942 **Night/Day Raid**

Type: Manchester **Serial No:** L7474

Service History: Avro Manchester MkI fitted with 33'-0" span tail and triple fins, Retrofitted with twin fins and designated Manchester MkIA, A.V. Roe & Co. Ltd., del'd 9-8-41, 97 Sqn del'd 28-10-41 OF-Z, 106 Sqn del'd 26-1-42 ZN-?

Classification: Crashed **SOC/Crash Site:** Horncastle, Lincolnshire

Target/Tasking Training

Crew Names: Sgt. G.K. Carter and crew

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Date: 14 March 1942 **Night/Day Raid** Night

Type: Manchester **Serial No:** L7395

Service History: Avro Manchester MkI fitted with 33'-0" span tail and triple fins, RAF Cranage (for engine change), A.V. Roe & Co. Ltd., del'd 28-1-42 (for modifications), 61 Sqn del'd 13-2-42 QR-?, 1 MPRU at Crowley del'd 20-3-42

Classification: Crashed **SOC/Crash Site:** Wittering, Northamptonshire

Target/Tasking Cologne

Crew Names: P/O J.R. Hubbard; Sgt. P.C.V. Joslin; P/O R. Heggie, RCAF; F/Sgt. J.G. Clelland; Sgt. A.W. Baker; Sgt. T.C. Stanley; Sgt. P. Jones

Date: 14 March 1942 **Night/Day Raid** Night

Type: Manchester **Serial No:** L7423

Service History: Avro Manchester MkI fitted with 33'-0" span tail and triple fins, Retrofitted with twin fins and designated Manchester MkIA, 97 Sqn del'd 12-6-41 OF-S, 83 Sqn del'd 22-1-42 OL-S

Classification: Shot Down **SOC/Crash Site:** Nijmegen, Holland

Target/Tasking Cologne

Crew Names: F/O J.L. Bromiley pow; Sgt. P.H. Foster +; P/O J.R. Feirn +; F/Sgt. L.F.R. Davis +; Sgt. J. Dowds pow; Sgt. E. Rose +; Sgt. J.M. Thompson, RCAF +

Date: 20 March 1942 **Night/Day Raid** Day

Type: Lancaster **Serial No:** L7570

Service History: 97 Sqn OF-B

Classification: Crashed **SOC/Crash Site:** Freiston, Lincolnshire

Target/Tasking Frisians

Crew Names: F/O E.E. Rodley; P/O Colquhoun, RCAF; Sgt. J. Healey; Sgt. Merralls; Sgt. Cummings; Sgt. J. Crisp inj; Sgt. Ratcliffe

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Date: 23 March 1942 **Night/Day Raid**

Type: Lancaster **Serial No:** R5486

Service History: 97 Sqn del'd 24-2-42 OF-P

Classification: Crashed **SOC/Crash Site:** Finningley, Yorkshire

Target/Tasking Training

Crew Names: F/Sgt. G.H. Hartley and crew

Date: 25 March 1942 **Night/Day Raid** Night

Type: Lancaster **Serial No:** R5493

Service History: 44 Sqn KM-M

Classification: Shot Down **SOC/Crash Site:** Lorient, France

Target/Tasking Lorient

Crew Names: F/Sgt. L. Warren-Smith +; Sgt. R.A. Marston +; Sgt. A.F. Murdoch +; Sgt. C.E.W. Clifford, RAAF +; Sgt. J. Boyd +; Sgt. E.B. Cluff +; Sgt. W.H. Flower +; F/Sgt. J.McN. Davidson +

Date: 25 March 1942 **Night/Day Raid**

Type: Manchester **Serial No:** L7486

Service History: Avro Manchester MkIA fitted with 33'-0" span tail and twin fins, 207 Sqn del'd 12-9-41 EM-P, EM-B, 61 Sqn QR-?, 50 Sqn del'd 17-3-42 VN-?

Classification: Crashed **SOC/Crash Site:** Skellingthorpe, Lincolnshire

Target/Tasking Training

Crew Names: Sgt. D. Atkinson and crew

Date: 26 March 1942 **Night/Day Raid** Night

Type: Manchester **Serial No:** L7390

Service History: Avro Manchester MkI fitted with 33'-0" span tail and triple fins, A.V. Roe & Co. Ltd., del'd 24-4-41 (for engine change), A.V. Roe & Co. Ltd del'd 21-12-41, 97 Sqn del'd 9-1-42, 106 Sqn del'd 20-1-42 ZN-?

Classification: Shot Down **SOC/Crash Site:** IJsselmeer, Holland

Target/Tasking Essen

Crew Names: F/L R.J. Dunlop-McKenzie +; P/O P.N. Cann +; Sgt. R.B. Burrows +; Sgt. K. Hill +; Sgt. W.D. Welham +; Sgt. W.G. MacDonald +; Sgt. J.J. Stewart +

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Date:	26 March 1942	Night/Day Raid	Night
Type:	Manchester	Serial No:	R5831
Service History:	Avro Manchester MkIA fitted with 33'-0" span tail and twin fins, A.V. Roe & Co. Ltd., Woodford del'd 7-11-41, 83 Sqn del'd 9-1-42 OL-I		
Classification:	FTR	SOC/Crash Site:	Warden Point, Isle of Sheppey,
Target/Tasking	Essen		
Crew Names:	Sgt. E.M. Price +; F/Sgt. R.C. Snowball +; W/O P.R. Thompson +; F/Sgt. M.C. Roberts +; Sgt. J.A. Devalle +; Sgt. H.G.S. Garnham +; Sgt. S. Block +		

Date:	26 March 1942	Night/Day Raid	Night
Type:	Manchester	Serial No:	L7518
Service History:	Avro Manchester MkIA fitted with 33'-0" span tail and twin fins, 61 Sqn del'd 15-10-41 QR-O		
Classification:	Shot Down	SOC/Crash Site:	Warmenhuizen, Holland
Target/Tasking	Essen		
Crew Names:	P/O J.R. Hubbard +; P/O A.W. Buchan +; P/O R. Heggie, RACF +; F/Sgt. J.G. Clelland +; Sgt. A.W. Baker +; Sgt. P. Jones pow; Sgt. T.C. Stanley pow		

Date:	26 March 1942	Night/Day Raid	Night
Type:	Manchester	Serial No:	L7465
Service History:	Avro Manchester MkI fitted with 33'-0" span tail and triple fins, Retrofitted with twin fins and designated Manchester MkIA, Manufacturers trails early in 1941, A.V. Roe & Co. Ltd., del'd 26-7-41 (for engine change and modifications), 83 Sqn del'd 24-12-41 OL-H		
Classification:	FTR	SOC/Crash Site:	Lichtaart, Belgium
Target/Tasking	Essen		
Crew Names:	P/O C.H. Danielsen +; Sgt. P. Markides +; F/Sgt. A. Woodcock +; F/O D. McConachie, RAAF +; Sgt. T.H. Miller +; Sgt. C.C. Smith +; Sgt. A.G. Jaye +		

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Date:	30 March 1942	Night/Day Raid	Night
Type:	Manchester	Serial No:	L7454
Service History:	Avro Manchester MkI fitted with 33'-0" span tail and triple fins, Retrofitted with twin fins and designated Manchester MkIA, A.V. Roe & Co. Ltd., del'd 5-7-41 (for engine change), 207 Sqn del'd 10-9-41 EM-M, 61 Sqn del'd 24-2-42 QR-?		
Classification:	FTR	SOC/Crash Site:	Unknown
Target/Tasking	Frisians		
Crew Names:	P/O C.S. Churchill +; P/O I.McK. Cassavetti +; P/O J.F. Chevalier, RCAF +; Sgt. H. Dracass +; Sgt. D.A.B. Hume +; Sgt. R. Dawson +; Sgt. J. Mitchell +		
