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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				UP	DOWN		
1st	P. Beau. X. NT. 891.	F/L. F.H. Foden.	Shipping	0050	0250	4 Beaus on shipping strike found no target.	
	C. " NE. 550.	F/O. A.C. Porter.	Strike.	0055	0300	Aircraft "P" attacked dock area at IMPERIA with 8 x 60lb. HE. RP. Explosions seen. Weather good.	
	R. " NV. 258.	F/O. N.F. Young.		0040	0240		
	B. " NE. 544.	F/O. C.F. Rideout. (J. 21152)		0050	0250		
		W.O. C. Chambers.					
1/2nd	L. " NT. 899.	F/L. F.H. Foden.	Shipping	2345	0215	4 Beaus on strike. Aircraft "L" attacked an Armed Coaster at 0124 posn. 4409N. 0821E.	
	P. " NT. 891.	F/O. D.A. Lampard.	Strike.	2340	0140	Aircraft "P" attacked a destroyer leading a convoy of four vessels posn. 4407N. 0816E. course 050°	
	Q. " NV. 142.	F/S. J.W. Smith.		2345	0145	10 knots. R.P. hits amidships, definite underwater strikes. Further cannon attack made and vessel stopped.	
	E. " NV. 270.	F/S. G.H. Wheeliker.		2347	0146	Intense accurate medium flak. Aircraft "Q" and "E" attacked the same convoy scoring possible R.P. strikes. Cloud prevented visual of results. Weather good.	
		F/O. T. Corlett.					
2.	J. Beau. X. NV. 241.	F/O. C.N. West.	Shipping	0120	0325	4 Beaus on strike. Aircraft "J" (F.O. WEST) attacked barge in harbour at SESTRI LEVANTE - one possible R.P. hit.	
	A. " NV. 203.	F/O. F.G. Burgess.	Strike	0130	0305	Then attacked two schooners - 4 R.P. strikes seen. Then made a cannon attack on barge - strikes seen.	
	M. " NV. 269.	F/O. N.F. Young.		0130	0310	Navigator of "J" silenced a gun position on barge with .303 from Browning. Aircraft "J" then attacked another barge with cannon, strikes seen also .303 strikes seen from Navigators Browning. Further cannon attack on Schooner - strikes seen. Intense A.A. from shore batteries and vessels. The other three aircraft found no target owing to cloud. Aircraft "M" jettisoned 8 x 60 lb. HE. RP. in sea. 9/10 St. at 500 feet. Visibility good.	
	R. " NV. 258.	F/O. J.A. Bollen.		0120	0300		
		W.O. C. Sutherland.					
		F/O. C.F. Rideout.					
		W.O. C. Chambers.					
	J. " NV. 241.	F/S. J. Horsford.	Armed	2015	2340	1 Beau on armed recce sighted 4 vessels approx. 500 tons position 4407N. 0838E. course 300° 10 knots. Sighting report sent to Base and then R.P. attack made from landward side aiming at rear vessel. 6 R.P. hits scored amidships. Smoke caused. Moderate light A.A. accurate from vessels.	
		F/S. D.A. Hubbard.	Reece.				
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2/3.	P. Beau. X. NT. 891.	F/L. T. Grace. W.O. H. Mort.	Strike.	2310	0015	3 Beaufighters went out to sighting made by "J" but had to return owing to bad weather.	
	D. " NT. 907.	F/O. H. D. Russell. F/O. E. Vickers.		2314	0019	Thunderstorm and rain.	
	M. " NV. 269.	F/O. C. L. Reynolds. F/S. A. Davies.		2318	0023		
3/4.	E. " NV. 270.	F/O. E. G. Myring. F/O. T. Corlett.	Strike.	0220	0425	3 Beaus attacked 4 ships approximately 1500 tons each off SESTRI LEVANTE - course N?W? speed 10K. Aircraft "E" and "L" attacked the largest vessel in lead and scored probable underwater R.P. strikes. Aircraft "A" was seen to make attack, R.P. seen going towards vessel, then orange ball of flame seen over one vessel and long splash seen in water. Aircraft "E" and "L" searched along coast and on return could see only two ships. Intense accurate light A.A. from ships. Heavy A.A. from shore. Aircraft "A" (Pilot F/O. A. F. Reynolds, Navigator F/O. N. F. Young) missing. Weather good.	
	L. " NT. 899.	F/L. F. H. Foden. F/O. A. C. Porter.		0225	0420		
	A. " NV. 203.	F/O. A. F. Reynolds. F/O. N. F. Young.		0220	---		
4.	T. Beau. X. NE. 748.	F/L. T. Grace. W.O. H. Mort.	Strike.	0445	0640	4 Beaus on strike found no moving ships. Aircraft "O" and "P" attacked shipping in SESTRI LEVANTE harbour. Aircraft "P" saw Aircraft "O" make R.P. attack on barge scoring strikes. Aircraft "P" then made R.P. attack on schooner, scoring R.P. strikes. "P" then saw "O" go in for a cannon attack and hit by flak. "O" burst into flames flying seawards for one mile, then dived into sea and burned out on water. Aircraft "P" circled wreckage which burned for fifteen minutes. Aircraft "O" destroyed; Pilot - F/O. C. N. West, Nav. F/O. F. G. Burgess, missing. A.A. intense accurate from vessels and shore batteries. Weather good.	
	P. " NT. 891.	F/O. D. A. Lampard. F/S. J. W. Smith.		0445	0645		
	D. " NT. 999.	F/S. J. Horsford. W.O. J. C. Watson.		0450	0635		
	O. " NV. 142.	F/O. C. N. West. F/O. F. G. Burgess.		0445	--		
	R. " NV. 258.	F/O. J. A. Bollen. W.O. C. Sutherland.	A.S.R. search.	0640	1100	2 Beaus on search for missing crews covered area from SESTRI LEVANTE but made no sightings. Barge seen burning in harbour. Weather perfect.	
	S. " IX. 787.	F/O. C. L. Reynolds. F/S. A. Davies.		"	"		
5.	T. " NE. 744.	F/L. T. Grace. W.O. H. Mort.	Strike.	0001	0030	4 Beaus on strike. Aircraft "T" returned owing to engine cowlings working loose. The other three aircraft attacked 2 large barges and 2 E.V. position 4407N. 0817E. Course 045° 8 knots and also three barges 2 miles ahead on same course. R.P. hits obtained, one barge sunk and another damaged. Intense accurate light and medium A.A. from ships. Heavy A.A. from shore. Weather good.	
	P. " NT. 891.	F/O. D. A. Lampard. F/S. J. W. Smith.		0005	0145		
	R. " NV. 258.	F/O. C. F. Rideout. (J. 21262) W.O. C. Chambers.		0005	0210		
	J. " NV. 241.	F/S. J. Casqueiro. F/S. G. H. Wheeliker. W.O. J. C. Watson.		0001	0200		

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R. " NV.258. F/S. J.W. Smith. 0005 0210 0817E. Course 045° 8 knots and also three barges 2 miles ahead on same course. R.P. hits obtained, one barge sunk and another damaged. Intense accurate light and medium A.A. from ships. Heavy A.A. from shore. Weather good.

J. " NV.241. F/S. J. Casqueiro. 0001 0200

F/S. G.H. Wheeliker.

W.O. J.C. WATSON.

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES.
				Up	Down		
BORGO.				0700	0800	3 Beaus V/S of FALCONARA	
5th.	S. Beau. X. LX.787.	S/L. R.H. Rose.	Strike.	0235	0455	3 Beaufighters strike attacked three vessels at 0322 posn. 4356N. 0909E. course S.W. R.P. strikes obtained - 1 coaster 800 tons considered sunk. 1 Vessel 1200 tons left blazing - fire seen from 30 miles. Light accurate A.A. from all vessels. Weather good. Bright moonlight.	
	D. " NT.899.	F/O. H.D. Russell.		"	0425		
	M. " NV.269.	F/O. E. Vickers.		0230	0445		
		F/O. E.G. Myring.					
		F/O. T. Corlett.					
6th.	S. " LX.787.	S/L. R.H. Rose.	Strike	0235	0445	4 Beaus attacked 4 ships approximately 1000 tons each. Position 4423N. 0901E. Course 280° 10 knots. 10/10 cloud obscured moon and attack was carried out on flak from ships. Possible R.P. strikes on two ships. Nothing more was heard from aircraft "G" after contacting leader at 0325 saying "Receiving you loud and clear." Intense accurate light and medium A.A. from ships - heavy A.A. from shore. 10/10th Alt. St. Base 15000 ft. dark. Aircraft "G" Missing. Pilot Flight Sergeant Horsford; Navigator W.O. Watson; J.C. Both missing	
	D. " NT.899.	F/O. H.D. Russell.		0245	0435		
	M. " NV.269.	F/O. E. Vickers.		0240	0450		
		F/O. E.G. Myring.					
		F/O. T. Corlett.					
	G. " NE.639.	F/S. J. Horsford.		0245	- - -		
		W.O. J.C. Watson.					
7th	J.B. Beau. X. NV.241.	F/L. F.H. Foden.	A.S.R.	0650	0950	2 Beaus on search for Missing crew sighted patch of oil at 0740 position 4422N. 0900E. - the position being that of the attack.	
8th	N. Beau. NE.374.	F/O. A.C. Porter.	Search.	"	"	No other sightings - weather good.	
		F/O. C.L. Reynolds.					
		F/S. A. Davies.					
7th	Nil operations.						
8th	N. Beau. X. NE.374.	S/L. R.H. Rose.	STRIKE	1025	1220	3 Beaus operating from FALCONARA attacked the liner "REX" at 1134 posn. 4533N. 1343E. All aircraft attacked with cannon from 1000 yards until breaking off, scoring 4,000 strikes with 20 mm. from waterline over superstructure. 59 x 25 lb. Rockets were fired scoring 55 hits below waterline and 4 above. No flak over target - heavy A.A. from TRIESTE harbour, and flak from one "F" Boat in TRIESTE BAY, which was strafed by Mustangs escorting Beaufighters. Smoke was seen from the vessel which was later reported to have a 60° list and was blazing.	
	E. " NV.270.	F/O. E.G. Myring.	LINER	"	1225		
	T. " NE.748.	F/O. T. Corlett.	"REX".	"	"		
		F/O. T. Grace.					
		W.O. H. Mort.					
	D. " NT.899.	F/O. H.D. Russell.		"	"		
		F/O. E. Vickers.					
	J. " NV.241.	F/L. F.H. Foden.		"	"		
		F/O. A.C. Porter.		"	"		
	M. " NV.269.	P/O. J.A. Bollen.		"	"		
		W.O. C. Sutherland.					
	R. " NV.258.	F/O. C.F. Rideout. (J.21262)		"	"	The aircraft broke off over the vessel going overland and then out to sea. All aircraft landed safely at FALCONARA. Weather good.	
		W.O. C. Chambers.					
	P. " NT.891.	F/O. D.A. Lampard.		"	"		
		F/S. J.W. Smith.					

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9th.						Nil Operations.	
10th.	P. Beau. X. NT. 891.	F/O. D.A. Lampard. F/S. J.W. Smith.	Strike	0235	0425	2 Beaus searched coast from SPEZIA to GENOA. Made no sightings? Aircraft "J" fired 8 x 25 lb. R.P. at a possible ship but nothing was seen. Weather good.	
	J. " F/S. J. Casqueiro. NV. 241. F/S. G.H. Wheeliker.			0230	0430		
11/12.	S. Beau. X. LX. 787.	S/L. R.H. Rose. W.O. L. Shaw.	Strike.	0105	0325	3 Beaus coasted from SAVONA to SESTRI LEVANTE. Saw numerous flares but no shipping. Weather good.	
	T. " NE. 748. F/L. T. Grace. W.O. H. Mort.			0110	0310		
	J. " NV. 241. F/L. F.H. Foden. F/O. A.C. Porter.			0115	0325		
13th						Nil operations.	
14th	FOGGIA, ITALY.					Nil operations.	
15th.	J. Beau. X. NV. 241.	F/O. C.F. Riddout (J. 21262) W.O. C. Chambers.	Anti- Shipping	0625	1251	2 Beaus patrolled islands from CORFU southwards. Position 3805N. 2125E. attacked 10-ton Calque with cannon and R.P. 303. Vessel left burning and sinking. No other incidents - weather good.	
	F. " NE. 491. F/S. J. Casqueiro. F/S. G.H. Wheeliker.		Rece.	0620	0620		
	L. " NT. 899. F/L. F.H. Foden. F/O. A.C. Porter.		Armed Shipping	1500	1730	4 Beaus searched SILEBANSKI channel, LUSSINPICCOLO area but made no sightings. Weather good.	
	P. " NT. 891. F/O. D.A. Lampard. F/S. J.W. Smith.		Strike.				
	J. " NV. 241. F/O. C.L. Reynolds. F/S. A. Davies.						
	C. " NE. 530. F/O. H.D. Russell. F/O. E. Vickers.						
16th	A. " LX. 789. S/L. R.H. Rose. W.O. L. Shaw.		Armed Shipping	0510	1010	2 Beaus searched coast from 4427N. 1436E. to FIUME and from there coastwise to Base. At 0602 posn. 4440N. 1350E. A/c "A" attacked 800-ton M.V. course 170° 8K. with 8 x 25 lb. R.P. Strikes seen, vessel left crippled. At 0620. 4512N. 1421E. with cannon, Aircraft "T" attacked a motor launch - strikes seen. No other incidents - weather good.	
	T. " NE. 748. F/L. T. Grace. W.O. H. Mort.		Rece.				
17th						Nil operations.	
18th.	J. Beau. X. NV. 241.	S/L. R.H. Rose. W.O. L. Shaw.	Armed Rece.	0449	0644	2 Beaus A/B at FALCONARA, at 0525 posn. 4452N. 1456E. attacked 2 Barges with cannon. Strikes seen. smoke and dust after attack.	
	A. " LX. 789. F/O. C.L. Reynolds. F/S. A. Davies.					0547Y 4456N. 1456E. attacked a stationary 2-masted schooner with cannon and 4 R.P. Strikes seen with cannon. Motor Ferry also attacked with cannon and R.P. - cannon strikes seen. R.P. result unobserved. A/c "J" hit by return fire 4 schooners were also	

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18th.	J.Beau.X.NV.241.	S/L. R.H.Rose.	Armed	0449	0644	2 Beaus A/B at FALCONARA, at 0525 posn. 4452N. 1456E. attacked 2 Barges with cannon. Strikes seen. smoke and dust after attack.
	A. " LX.789.	F/O. C.L.Reynolds.	Recce.	"	"	
		F/S. A. Davies.				0547N 4456E..1456E. attacked a stationary 2-masted schooner with cannon and 4 R.P. Strikes seen with cannon. Motor Ferry also attacked with cannon and R.P. - cannon strikes seen. R.P. result unobserved. A/c "J" hit by return fire 4 schooners were also attacked but none damaged. No other incidents.

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				Up	Down		
18th.	T.Beau.X.NE.748.	F/L. T.Grace.	Shipping	0820	1115	2 Beaus airborne at FALCONARA, search coast CHIoggia - VENICE - CAPE PROMONTORE. No shipping target seen. Aircraft "T" attacked SENI harbour with 8 R.P. scoring probable hits on 50-ft. launch. No other incidents. LANDED FALCONARA.	
	C. " NE.550.	F/S. J. Casqueiro.	Recce.	"	"		
	A. " LX.789.	F/S. G.K.Wheeliker.		"	"		
19th						Nil operations.	
20th	L.Beau.X.NT.899.	F/L. F.H.Foden.	Shipping	0605	0750	3 Beaus airborne at FALCONARA searched from VENICE to SALVORE POINT - PARENZA at 0716. Posn. 4502N. 1338E. All three aircraft attacked a stationary schooner with cannon and R.P. After attack by "L" a column obscured the ship and the other two aircraft of water were covered in water as they went in to attack. R.P. hits considered definite. 1 aircraft attacked a 100-ft. L.V. with 4 second burst of cannon. Strikes seen all over vessel. No other incidents. Landed FALCONARA.	
	T. " NE.748.	F/O. J.A.Bollen.	Strike.	"	"		
	E. " NV.270.	F/O. C.L.Reynolds.		"	"		
		F/S. A. Davies.					
21st						Nil operations.	
22nd	R.Beau.X.NV.258.	F/O. G.F.Rideout. (J.21262)	Armed	0358	0758	2 Beaus coastcrawled from SALVATORE PT. to POLA FIUME - POLA. No target seen. Weather good.	
	T. " NE.748.	F/O. D.A.Lempard.	Recce.	"	"		
		F/S. J.W. Smith.					
	L. " NT.899.	F/L. F.H.Foden.	Armed	0405	0810	2 Beaus on armed recce attacked one single masted schooner posn. 4447N. 1344E. course 220°. 5 knots. 12 R.P. and cannon fired. Strikes seen on vessel. Vessel left stationary - smoke rising. No other incidents. Weather good.	
	E. " NV.270.	F/O. C.L.Reynolds.	Recce.	0405	0810		
		F/S. A. Davies.					
	P. " NT.891.	S/L. R.H.Rose.	Armed	1415	1635	2 Beaus airborne at FALCONARA coastcrawled from TRIESTE to FIUME; sightings reported but no attackable seen. Landed FALCONARA. Weather good.	
	A. " LX.789.	F/O. E.G.Myring.	Recce.	"	"		
		F/O. D.L.Edwards.					
	D. " NT.999.	F/O. H.D.Russell.	Armed	1715	1935	2 Beaus airborne at FALCONARA - coastcrawled from LAKE MARANO to FIUME. Aircraft "D" attacked a 100-ft stationary barge in position 4508N. 1412E. - one direct R.P. hit and many cannon strikes. No other incidents. Weather good.	
	C. " NE.550.	F/S. J. Casqueiro.	Recce.	"	1915		
		F/S. G.K.Wheeliker.					
23rd	D. " NT.999.	F/O. H.D.Russell.	Armed	0505	0805	2 Beaus on armed recce coastcrawled from RAVENNA to VENICE. No target seen. Weather good.	
	C. " NE.550.	F/S. J. Casqueiro.		"	"		
		F/S. G.K.Wheeliker.					

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23rd.	P. Beau. X. NT. 891.	S/E. R.H. Rose. W.O. L. Shaw. F/O. E. G. Myring. F/O. D.D. Edwards.	Armed Recce.	0455	0830	2 Beaus on armed recce. TRIESTE - POLA - FIUME. Attacked two schooners moored side by side in ULAGO harbour. 6 R.P. hits and cannon strikes seen. 2 attacks made, both vessels left burning amidships. Small schooner attacked two miles off FIUME. R.P. and cannon strikes seen. Main mast collapsed. Flak from shore - no other incidents. Weather good.	
24th	L. Beau. X. NT. 899.	F/L. F.H. Peden. F/O. A.C. Porter.	Shipping Strike.	0340	0640	3 Beaus on strike sighted 3 "E" Boats posn. 4233N. 1813E. course 135° - 20 knots. Attack made on Wellington flares. R.P. and cannon fired but no strikes seen. A.A. from vessels and from shore. A/C. landed at BARI. Visibility fair - very dark - no moon.	
	T. " NE. 748.	F/L. T. Grace. W.O. H. Mort.		0410	0645		
	D. " NT. 999.	F/O. R.D. Russell. F/O. E. Vickers.		"	"		
	S. " LX. 787.	S/L. R.H. Rose. W.O. L. Shaw.	Armed Recce.	1649	2106	2 Beaus on armed recce attacked a stationary motor- trawler position 4510N. 1220E. 2 R.P. fired and cannon from both aircraft.	
	E. " NV. 270.	F/O. E.G. Myring. F/O. T. Corlett.		"	2025	Position 4513N. 1219E. 1 Barge and 2 motor launches on course NE. attacked with cannon and R.P. Barge left burning - cannon strikes on launches. Moderate light A.A. No other incidents - weather fair.	
25th.	R. " NV. 258.	F/O. C.F. Rideout. (J. 21262) W.O. C. Chambers.		0515	0835	2 Beaus airborne at FALCONARA coast crawled FIUME - POLA - PARENZA. Attacked a schooner position 4508N. 1413E. but target was found to be a wreck. Weather poor. Landed at FOGGIA.	
	P. " NT. 891.	F/O. D.A. Lampard. F/S. J.W. Smith.	Armed Recce.	"	"		
	B. " NV. 470.	P/O. J.A. Bollen. W.O. C. Sutherland.	Armed Recce.	0530	0830	2 Beaus airborne at FALCONARA on recce RAVENNA - PARENZA sighted 1 barge position 4540N. 1321E. course 130° 5 knots Both aircraft attacked with R.P. and cannon, and .303. 2 attacks made. Barge left burning furiously. Return fire on first attack - landed FOGGIA.	
	F. " NE. 491.	F/S. J. Casqueiro. F/S. G.K. Wheeliker.		"	"		
	T. " NE. 748.	F/L. T. Grace. W.O. H. Mort.	Armed Recce	1617	2025	2 Beaus on recce found no target. Reported large gun position. No incidents. Weather poor.	
	V. " NT. 971.	F/L. D.L. Gaydon. F/O. R.V. Corbett.		"	"		
26th	B. Beau. X. NE. 470.	F/O. H.D. Russell. F/O. E. Vickers.	Armed Recce.	0520	0725	2 Beaus airborne at FALCONARA patrolled from RAVENNA to CAPE SALVORE. Off GRADO attacked one large barge with R.P. and cannon. 1 direct R.P. hit. 3 probable and probable strikes seen. "B" landed FALCONARA, "M" landed FOGGIA.	
	M. " NV. 269.	F/O. J.D. Murray. F/S. J.V. Morgan.		"	"		

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26th	B. Beau. X. ME. 470.	F/O. H.D. Russell. Armed	0520	0725	2 Beaus airborne at FALCONARA patrolled from RAVENNA to CAPE SALVORE. Off GRADO attacked one large barge with R.P. and cannon. 1 direct R.P. hit. 3 probable and probable strikes seen. "B" landed FALCONARA, "M" landed FOGGIA.
	M. " NV. 269.	F/O. E. Vickers. Recce. F/O. J.D. Murray. F/S. J.V. Morgan.	"	"	

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				Up	Down		
FOGGIA.							
26th	L. Beau. X. NT. 899.	F/L. F.H. Foden. F/O. A.C. Porter.	Armed Recce.	0500	- - -	2 Beaus airborne FALCONARA. Coastcrawled from SALVORE PT. Aircraft "G" heard aircraft "L" over V.H.F. "attacking schooner in harbour." Position 4509N. 1443E. "G" went over land to make attack on way out to sea. No shipping seen. Accurate light and medium A.A. Aircraft "G" hit. "G" then saw aircraft "L" with Port engine on fire - make height to 300 feet - then dive into sea. Aircraft "G" continued patrol and landed at FOGGIA. Aircraft "L" (F/L FODEN and F/O. PORTER) missing. Weather good.	
	G. " NV. 201.	F/O. C.L. Reynolds. F/S. H. Davies.		"	0810		
	R. " NV. 258.	F/O. C.F. Rideout. (J. 21262) W.O. C. Chambers.	Armed	1705	2005	2 Beaus on armed recce, coastcrawled from RAVENNA but made no sightings. Weather poor.	
	M. " NV. 269.	F/O. J. Miller. F/O. J. Dobson.	Armed Recce.	"	"		
27th	S. " LX. 787.	S/L. R.H. Rose. W.O. L. Shaw.	Armed Recce.	0445	0720	2 Beaus airborne FALCONARA coastcrawled from TRIESTE Position 4538N. 1342E. Both aircraft attacked a 1000-ton vessel course 150° speed 12 knots. Both aircraft scored R.P. hits and cannon strikes. Ship left on fire. Navigator of "S" raked vessel with 1303. Aircraft "E" continued patrol and made no further sightings. Aircraft "S" attacked a 100-foot schooner position 4541N. 1338E. course 045° SK. 2 R.P. strikes and cannon. Separate attack with cannon and 1303. Mast fell overboard - schooner left ablaze. Off UMAGO attacked two small schooners, cannon strikes on both, mast on one vessel burning. Heavy A.A. from FIUME? S.E. aircraft seen on deck. No other incidents. Weather good. Landed FALCONARA.	
	E. " NV. 270.	F/O. E.C. Myring. F/O. T. Corlett.		0450	0735		
	B. " NV. 470.	P/O. J.A. Bollen. W.O. C. Sutherland.	Armed Recce.	0515	0825	2 Beaus on armed recce, attacked 3 small vessels loaded with crates off GRADO. Many cannon strikes seen. No other incidents. Weather poor.	
	V. " NT. 971.	F/O. J. Rutland. Sgt. J. Rimington.		"	"		
	S. Beau. X. LX. 787.	S/L. R.H. Rose/W.O. L. Shaw.	Shipping	1705	1905	5 Beaus on strike were recalled by VHF. message. No incidents. Weather fair.	
	R. " NV. 259.	F/O. C.F. Rideout/W.O. C. Chambers. (J. 21262).	Strike	"	"		
	D. " NT. 999.	F/O. H.D. Russell./F/O. E. Vickers.		"	"		
	C. " NE. 550.	F/S. J. Casqueiro/F/S. G.H. Wheeliker.		"	"		
	A. " LX. 789.	F/L. D.L. Gaydon./F/O. R.V.F. Corbett.		"	"	cont.....over	

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DATE	AIRCRAFT TYPE & NUMBER	CREW	DUTY	TIME		DETAILS OF SORTIE OR FLIGHT	REFERENCES
				Up	Down		
28th	P. Beau. X. NT. 891.	F/O. D.A. Lampard. F/S. J.W. Smith.	Shipping Strike.	2015	2215	4 Beaus airborne. FALCONARA. A/C. "P" attacked 3 E.V.s with 8 R.P. and 1000 x 20 mm. also large barge. Underwater R.P. strikes and many cannon strikes. "T" attacked a large M.V. scoring underwater strikes. M.V. stopped with smoke coming from it. Aircraft "M" and "V" attacked same vessel, firing 16 R.P. and also cannon attack on E.V. Medium A.A. from ships and shore accurate. 2 heavy columns of smoke seen in leaving target. Aircraft "M" hit by flak. off MAESTRO Pt. - crew unhurt. Landed FALCONARA.	
	T. " NE. 748.	F/L. T. Grace. W.O. H. Mort.		"	"		
	M. " NV. 269.	F/O. J.G. Horlock. F/S. F.H. Rapley.		"	"		
	V. " NT. 971.	W.O. C.N. Sim. F/S. S.J. Jeffries.		"	"		
29th						Nil operations.	
30th	S. Beau. X. LX. 787.	P/O. J.A. Bollen. W.O. G. Sutherland.	Armed Recce.	0515	0900	2 Beaus patrolled from GRADO to Cape PROMONTORE. Nil incidents. Weather good.	
	T. " NE. 740.	W.O. W. Adams. Sgt. A.L. Stevenson.		"	"		
	E. " NV. 270.	F/O. E.G. Myring. F/O. T. Corlett.	Armed Recce.	0515	0938	2 Beaus patrolled from RAVENNA - attacked two armed trawlers posn. 413DN.1217E. 2 cannon attacks many strikes seen.	
	U. " NV. 388.	F/O. J.D. Murray. F/S. J.V. Morgan.		"	"	4444N.1231E. attacked 2 armed trawlers drawn up on beach. 2 cannon attacks made. Numerous strikes seen. A.A. from shore in Gulf of PANZAMO. Weather fair.	
	B. " NV. 470.	F/O. D.A. Lampard. F/S. J.W. Smith.	Armed Recce.	1810	2140	2 Beaus attacked a coaster and barge at PARENZA, course 050° 10 Knots. 1 E.V. three miles behind. "J" scored R.P. strikes on coaster and made further attack with cannon. "E" attacked barge with R.P. and cannon. R.P. strikes amidships and cannon strikes from end to end. "B" then E.V. with R.P. but missed. "J" attacked E.V. with cannon and saw strikes. All vessels considered damaged. Patrol completed. weather fair.	
	J. " NV. 241.	F/O. J.R. Rutland. Sgt. J. Rimington.		"	"		

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