



In this book
are mentioned
in honoured
& enduring
memory
the names of
Air-crews
who gave
their lives
over Holland
and nearby waters
in W.W. II 1939-1945

Royal Air Force

No. 115 squadron RAF

No. 115 Squadron RFC was formed on December 1, 1917. In August 1918 it was deployed to France, equippe with twin-engined bombers. It returned to the UK on Mary 4, 1919 and was disbanded on October 18, 1919.

Re-formed at RAF Marham, Norfolk from "B" Flight of no. 38 Squadron RAF on June 5, 1937 and saw its aircraft replaced by the Vickers Wellington during March 1939.

During April 1940 it was temporary loaned to RAF Coastal Command.

In August 1941 it undertook service trials with "Gee" the first of the great radar navigational and bombing aids. The results led to put "Gee" into large-scale production for Bomber Command.

During March 1943 the Hercules engined Avro Lancaster Mk. II replaced the Wellingtons and a year later these aircraft were replaed by the Merlin engined Avro Lancaster Mk. I and III.

Motto: DESPITE THE ELEMENTS



3 August 1940 – 02:00 – Vickers Wellington Mk. Ic, R3202 – ditched into Waddenzee

Pilot	P/O	Gerry, R.T.	RAF	KIA	Oldebroek General Cemetery
Pilot	P/O	Pryor, R.W.	RAF	KIA	Uithuizen General Cemetery
Observer	F/Sgt	Ruffell-Hazell <i>DFM</i> , R.J.	RAF	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Dempsey, J.	RAF	KIA	Delfzijl General Cemetery
Ag	P/O	Wilde, S.J.S.	RAF	KIA	Delfzijl General Cemetery
Ag	Sgt	Croft, J.M.	RAF	MIA	Runnymede Memorial

17 November 1940 – 02:05 – Vickers Wellington Mk. Ic, P9286 – cd Winkel (Noord-Holland)

Pilot	Sgt	Larkman, D.E.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Winkel Prot Churchyard
Pilot	Sgt	Core, F.A.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Winkel Prot Churchyard
Observer	Sgt	Mott, M.B.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Winkel Prot Churchyard
W.Op.	Sgt	Rodger, R.	RAF	KIA	Winkel Prot Churchyard
Ag	Sgt	Gostick, T.W.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Winkel Prot Churchyard
Ag	Sgt	Walton, J.C.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Winkel Prot Churchyard

7 July 1941 – 02:17 – Vickers Wellington Mk. Ic, R1063 – cd North Sea, off Schiermonnikoog

Pilot	Sgt	Matthews, O.A.	RNZAF	KIA	Schiermonnikoog Gen Cem
Observer	Sgt	Edwards, C.S.R.	RCAF	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Bent, J.W.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Schiermonnikoog Gen Cem
W.Op.	Sgt	Macleay, K.G.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Ag	Sgt	Strachan, W.A.	RCAF	KIA	Schiermonnikoog Gen Cem
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Webster, A.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Kiel War Cemetery, Germany

14 July 1941 – 00:28 – Vickers Wellington Mk. Ic, R1502 – cd near Abbekerk (Noord-Holland)

Pilot	Sgt	Tipper, F.B.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Bergen General Cemetery
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16 July 1941 - 01:45 - Vickers Wellington Mk. Ic, R1222 - cd Nederweert (Limburg)

Pilot	F/Sgt	Cook, N.C.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Nijmegen, Jonkerbos War C.
Pilot	Sgt	Palmer, R.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Nijmegen, Jonkerbos War C.
Air Observer	Sgt	Hartry, W.J.H.	RCAF	KIA	Nijmegen, Jonkerbos War C.
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Campbell, K.P.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Nijmegen, Jonkerbos War C.
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	McDonald, W.T.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Nijmegen, Jonkerbos War C.
Ag	Sgt	Fullard, F.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Nijmegen, Jonkerbos War C.

8 September 1941 - 04:58 - Vickers Wellington Mk. Ic, R1798 - cd Drachtster Compagnie (Frl)

Pilot	Sgt	Gordon, L.P.M.H.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Drachtstercompagnie Pr. C. (1)
Pilot	F/Sgt	Keating, J.G.O.	RCAF	KIA	Drachtstercompagnie Pr. C.
Observer	P/O	Cox, R. Le M.	RAF	KIA	Drachtstercompagnie Pr. C.
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Cook, G.A.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Drachtstercompagnie Pr. C.
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Selley, J.G.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Drachtstercompagnie Pr. C.
Ag	Sgt	Baty, F.A.	RNZAF	KIA	Drachtstercompagnie Pr. C.

29 September 1941 - 22:52 - Vickers Wellington Mk. Ic, X9910 - cd near Blijham (Groningen)

Pilot	Sgt	Hulls, A.R.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Blijham Prot Churchyard
Pilot	Sgt	Goodey, J.H.	RAAF	KIA	Blijham Prot Churchyard
Air Observer	P/O	Colfe, W.K.	RCAF	KIA	Blijham Prot Churchyard
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Griffiths, T.D.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Blijham Prot Churchyard
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Bull, T.W.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Blijham Prot Churchyard

27 March 1942 - 00:10 - Vickers Wellington Mk. III, X3604 - cd Wichmond (Gelderland)

Pilot	P/O	Soames, J.G.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Wichmond General Cemetery
Pilot	Sgt	Finch, P.A.G.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Wichmond General Cemetery
Observer	Sgt	Mogford, W.L.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Wichmond General Cemetery
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Burns, A.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Wichmond General Cemetery
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Baker, V.C.R.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Wichmond General Cemetery
Ag	Sgt	Freak, R.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Wichmond General Cemetery

13 April 1942 - 03:15 - Vickers Wellington Mk. III, X3596 - cd into IJsselmeer near Urk

Pilot	Sgt	Holder, A.E.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Amsterdam New Eastern Cem
Pilot	F/Sgt	Blair, N.H.	RNZAF	KIA	Amsterdam New Eastern Cem
Observer	P/O	Barlow, R.W.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Amsterdam New Eastern Cem
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Phillips, T.J.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Amsterdam New Eastern Cem
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Raiswell, K.J.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Amsterdam New Eastern Cem
Ag	Sgt	Ryan, T.	RAF	KIA	Amsterdam New Eastern Cem

4 June 1942 - 00:50 - Vickers Wellington Mk. III, X3724 - cd into Waddenzee near Vlieland

Pilot	F/Sgt	Hutchison, J.L.	RCAF	KIA	Texel (Den Burg) Cemetery
Observer	Sgt	Plant, J.T.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
W.Op.	Sgt	Rowan, T.E.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	McGrath, T.A.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Texel (Den Burg) Cemetery
Ag	Sgt	Harding, E.R.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial

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22 July 1942 - 01:55 - Vickers Wellington Mk. III, X3561 - cd near Vlodrop (Limburg)

Air Observer	WO II	Booth, G.V.C.	RCAF	KIA	Nijmegen, Jonkerbos War C.
W.Op./Ag	F/Sgt	Pink, W.F.V.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Nijmegen, Jonkerbos War C.
Ag	Sgt	Munro, J.S.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Nijmegen, Jonkerbos War C.

22 July 1942 - 02:10 - Vickers Wellington Mk. III, X3750 - cd Overakker (Noord-Brahant)

Pilot	Sgt	Fletcher, J.H.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Eindhoven Woensel Gen Cem
Observer	Sgt	Morris, J.I.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Eindhoven Woensel Gen Cem
W.Op./Ag	F/Sgt	Brown, W.E.	RCAF	KIA	Eindhoven Woensel Gen Cem
W.Op./Ag	F/Sgt	Roney, G.W.	RCAF	KIA	Eindhoven Woensel Gen Cem
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Standen, L.A.C.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Eindhoven Woensel Gen Cem

27 July 1942 - 00:30 - Vickers Wellington Mk. III, BJ670 - cd North Sea off Schiermonnikoog

W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Skelley, F.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Texel (Den Burg) Cemetery
Ag	Sgt	Shoosmith, K.H.	RAAF	KIA	Esbjerg War Cem, Denmark

29 July 1942 - 03:21 - Vickers Wellington Mk. III, Z1624 - cd into IJsselmeer near Lemmer

Pilot	P/O	Mason, L.M.	RNZAF	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
W.Op.	Sgt	Brogan, J.A.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial

28 September 1942 - 18:02 - Vickers Wellington Mk. III, Z1663 - cd into IJsselmeer near Urk

Pilot	S/Ldr	Parsons, R.J.S.	RAF	KIA	Amsterdam New Eastern Cem
Observer	F/Sgt	Clough, W.L.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
W.Op./Ag	F/Sgt	Parker, J.A.	RCAF	KIA	Amsterdam New Eastern Cem

25 October 1942 - 02:48 - Vickers Wellington Mk. III, BK306 - cd into North Sea

Pilot	Sgt	Oldridge, D.S.	RNZAF	KIA	Rotterdam (Crooswijk) Cem
Nav/Bbr	Sgt	McFarland, R.L.A.	RNZAF	KIA	Bergen op Zoom War Cem
Bomb Aimer	Sgt	Yeoman, K.H.	RNZAF	KIA	Bergen op Zoom War Cem
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Gardner, A.F.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Hoek van Holland Gen Cem
Ag	Sgt	Couzens, G.A.F.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial

29 October 1942 - 16:07 - Vickers Wellington Mk. III, X3540 - cd into North Sea of Dutch coast

Pilot	F/Sgt	Urwin, R.W.	RNZAF	KIA	Vlissingen (Northern) Cem
Navigator	Sgt	McHenry, C.S.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Bomb Aimer	Sgt	Norcross, H.P.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Martin, L.H.	RNZAF	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Ag	P/O	Meredith, R.L.	RNZAF	MIA	Runnymede Memorial

2 March 1943 - 20:42 - Vickers Wellington Mk. III, BK495 - cd into North Sea off Ameland

Pilot	Sgt	Hunt, S.G.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Navigator	Sgt	Batram, A.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Bomb Aimer	Sgt	Bartholomew, K.F.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
W.Op./Ag	P/O	Astin, H.W.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Ag	F/Sgt	Down, A.J.	RCAF	KIA	Ameland (Nes) Gen Cemetery

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12 March 1943 - 21:32 - Vickers Wellington Mk. III, BJ756 - cd into IJsselmeer

Pilot	Sgt	Fallon, L.P.	RAF	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Navigator	Sgt	Akrill, W.E.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Air Bomber	Sgt	Collings, L.G.	RAF	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Lamb, C.J.W.W.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Ag	F/Sgt	Moffatt, C.M.	RCAF	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
				KIA	Amersfoort De Rasthof Cem

12 June 1943 - 02:16 - Avro Lancaster Mk. II, DS647 - cd Mill (Noord-Brabant)

Pilot	S/Ldr	Fox <i>DFC</i> , D.P.	RAF	KIA	Uden War Cemetery
Fe	Sgt	Nixon, P.F.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Uden War Cemetery
Navigator	WO	Spring, K.L.	RCAF	KIA	Uden War Cemetery
Air Bomber	F/Sgt	Chapman, P.A.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Uden War Cemetery
W.Op./Ag	F/Sgt	Johnson, A.M.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Uden War Cemetery
Ag	Sgt	Bulmer, A.D.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Uden War Cemetery
Ag	F/Sgt	Spires <i>DFM</i> , A.S.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Uden War Cemetery

13 June 1943 - 01:15 - Avro Lancaster Mk. II, DS652 - cd into Waddenzee

Pilot	F/Sgt	Ruff, I.R.V.	RNZAF	KIA	Ameland (Nes) Gen Cemetery
Fe	Sgt	Mustchin, J.F.	RAF	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Navigator	Sgt	Procter, N.W.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Bomb Aimer	Sgt	Deck, P.D.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Glendinning, J.R.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Ameland (Nes) Gen Cemetery
Ag	Sgt	Rush, A.A.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Ag	F/Sgt	Cuffey, F.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Makkum Prot Churchyard

24 August 1943 - 02:18 - Avro Lancaster Mk. II, DS722 - ditched in North Sea off Castricum

Navigator	Sgt	MacDonald, D.W.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Abell, F.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Bergen General Cemetery
Ag	Sgt	Morgans, E.M.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Ag	Sgt	Line, A.R.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial

16 December 1943 - 19:00 - Avro Lancaster Mk. II, DS835 - cd Heemskerk (Noord-Holland)

Pilot	P/O	Newton <i>DFC</i> , N.T.	RNZAF	KIA	Heemskerk Prot Churchyard
Fe	Sgt	Seatter, M.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Heemskerk Prot Churchyard
Navigator	P/O	Downs, E.J.H.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Heemskerk Prot Churchyard
Air Bomber	Sgt	Ray, G.A.W.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Heemskerk Prot Churchyard
W.Op./Ag	F/Sgt	Lewis, I.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Heemskerk Prot Churchyard
Ag	Sgt	Hawkins, R.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Heemskerk Prot Churchyard
Ag	Sgt	Cowdrey, A.G.R.	RAF	KIA	Heemskerk Prot Churchyard

29 December 1943 - 22:30 - Avro Lancaster Mk. II, DS834 - cd Tungelroij (Limburg)

Bomb Aimer	F/Sgt	Bell, K.S.	RAAF	KIA	Tungelroij R.C. Churchyard
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Jones, L.H.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Tungelroij R.C. Churchyard
Ag	F/Sgt	Wilkinson, A.M.	RCAF	KIA	Tungelroij R.C. Churchyard
Ag	Sgt	Johnson, G.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Tungelroij R.C. Churchyard

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15 February 1944 – 23:19 – Avro Lancaster Mk. II, LL689 – cd into IJsselmeer

Pilot	P/O	Ralph, J.W.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Fe	Sgt	Ratcliffe, J.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Hoorn General Cemetery
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Young, D.J.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Hoorn General Cemetery
Ag	F/O	Dill-Russell, J.D.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Ag	Sgt	Akehurst, B.S.J.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial

25 March 1944 – 00:20 – Avro Lancaster Mk. II, LL694 – cd Epse (Gelderland)

Pilot	P/O	Vipond, T.E.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Gorssel General Cemetery
Fe	Sgt	Diggle, A.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Gorssel General Cemetery
Navigator	F/Sgt	Duffy, J.L.	RNZAF	KIA	Gorssel General Cemetery
Air Bomber	F/O	Deemer, E.J.	RCAF	KIA	Gorssel General Cemetery
W.Op. [Air]	Sgt	Hammond, J.E.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Gorssel General Cemetery
Ag	Sgt	Coulter, R.L.	RCAF	KIA	Gorssel General Cemetery
Ag	Sgt	Hull, A.J.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Gorssel General Cemetery

21 July 1944 – 01:45 – Avro Lancaster Mk. III, ND913 – cd Papendrecht (Zuid-Holland)

Pilot	F/O	Clarey, C.M.	RAAF	KIA	Papendrecht Gen Cemetery
Fe	Sgt	Luton, H.C.	RAF	KIA	Papendrecht Gen Cemetery
Navigator	Sgt	Line, E.J.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Papendrecht Gen Cemetery
Air Bomber	F/Sgt	Kirkland, S.E.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Papendrecht Gen Cemetery
Rad. Op.[Air]	Sgt	Hancock, D.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Papendrecht Gen Cemetery
Ag	Sgt	Middleton, A.W.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Papendrecht Gen Cemetery
Ag	F/Sgt	Barlow, C.A.	RAAF	KIA	Papendrecht Gen Cemetery

27 August 1944 – A.M. – Avro Lancaster Mk. I, LM127 – cd into North Sea

Pilot	F/O	Morgan, J.E.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Esbjerg War Cem. Denmark
Fe	Sgt	Coote, K.P.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Navigator	F/Sgt	Young, E.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Air Bomber	F/O	O'Sullivan, D.F.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Esbjerg War Cem. Denmark
W.Op./Ag	Sgt	Bell, M.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Ag	P/O	Yates, T.	RCAF	KIA	Bergen op Zoom Can Cem
Ag	F/Sgt	Miller, I.G.C.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial

16 September 1944 – 23:00 – Avro Lancaster Mk. III, LM693 – cd Strijensas (Zuid-Holland)

Pilot	F/Lt	Bickford, P.W.	RCAF	KIA	Strijen Protestant Cemetery
Fe	P/O	Dooley, P.L.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Strijen Protestant Cemetery
Navigator	F/O	Johnston, A.N.	RCAF	KIA	Strijen Protestant Cemetery
Air Bomber	F/O	Scanlan, W.G.	RCAF	KIA	Strijen Protestant Cemetery
Rad. Op.[Air]	F/Sgt	Butters, U.B.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Strijen Protestant Cemetery
Ag	P/O	Dawson, D.	RCAF	KIA	Strijen Protestant Cemetery
Ag	P/O	Flood, D.G.	RCAF	KIA	Strijen Protestant Cemetery

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18 October 1944 – 13:14 – Avro Lancaster Mk. I, HK544 – cd into North Sea off Koudekerke

Pilot	F/O	Smith, K.V.	RAAF	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Fe	Sgt	Rutson, G.J.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Navigator	Sgt	Greener, T.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Bomb Aimer	F/O	Skelton, I.G.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
W.Op.	F/Sgt	Denholm, R.R.	RAAF	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Ag	Sgt	Constable, J.C.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial
Ag	Sgt	Mason, E.T.	RAF (VR)	MIA	Runnymede Memorial

4 April 1945 – 20:20 – Avro Lancaster Mk. I, HK555 – cd Greifenthal, Germany

Pilot	F/Lt	O'Halloran, T.A.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Rheinberg War Cem, GER
Pilot	P/O	Luxton, E.L.	RCAF	KIA	Rheinberg War Cem, GER
Fe	F/Sgt	Marchant, C.E.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Nederweert War Cemetery
Navigator	F/Sgt	Carr, W.G.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Rheinberg War Cem, GER
Air Bomber	F/O	Adams, A.E.	RAF (VR)	KIA	Rheinberg War Cem, GER
W.Op./Ag	WO	Saville, G.R.	RAAF	KIA	Rheinberg War Cem, GER
Ag	Sgt	Sheavills, E.	RAF	KIA	Rheinberg War Cem, GER
Ag	Sgt	Buckley, J.	RAF	KIA	Rheinberg War Cem, GER

¹⁾ Drachtstercompagnie Protestant Churchyard