

RAF COLLEGE CRANWELL

“Pre-WW2 Look Up Table”



F540 ORB Extracts for College (17) SFTS 1939-1945

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This is a supplement to the War Years database of College SFTS trainees and contains extracts found in the war years ORB for the SFTS. We have broken the supplementary data down by year and highlighted in **black bold text** the extracts relating to training courses. Text in **red** record fatalities during training and on the odd occasion when the College was attacked. Text in **bold red** record significant milestone events in College SFTS history, like the move from College Hall to premises at Bristol Wood Officers' Mess, which we believe was located at the top and to the left of Lighter-than-Air Road, off Plantation Road.

It is often stated that the RAF College “closed during the war years”. This is not true. The Flight Cadet training of the previous two decades was suspended immediately on the outbreak of war and the role of the College and its facilities transferred to basic and advance flying training. It was arguably the busiest period of the RAF College to date and the format and content of training was to change throughout the war years, latterly providing flying training for many aircrew of allied forces. On transfer to Bristol Wood Officers' Mess, the College SFTS was renamed 17 FTS and was moved to Spitalgate on 1 May 1945, just a week before VE Day.

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1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945
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Date	Name	Rank	Role	Detail from ORB
3/9/39	RE La F Wyatt	Fg Off		Reported for flying duties
4/9/39	WRS Humphreys	Sqn Ldr		Reported for Engineering duties
5/9/39	GL Blake	Fg Off		Reported for flying duties
5/9/39	RJ Gosnell	Sqn Ldr		Posted to Reserve Cmd HQ
6/9/39	A Williams	A/Plt Off		Reported for Equipment Duties
7/9/39	WH Griffith	Plt Off		Reported for flying duties
7/9/39				In accordance with Air Ministry instructions, all cadets were enlisted in the rank of Aircraftmen Group II
8/9/39				All the above airmen were reclassified Leading Aircraftmen
11/9/39	RPM Gibbs	Fg Off		Posted to RAF Henlow
13/9/39	CD Tomalin	Fg Off		Reported for flying duties
13/9/39	JF Sutton	Fg Off		Reported for flying duties
16/10/39	WRS Humphreys	Sqn Ldr		Posted to 4 MU Ruislip
16/10/39	A Deakin	Fg Off (Ret'd)		Reported for Engineering duties vice Sqn Ldr WRS Humphreys
21/10/39	RR Bennett	Fg Off		Posted to 1 MU RAF Kidbrooke
22/10/39	JK Flower	Fg Off		Reported for duty as Flying Instructor from CFS
22/10/39	DL Amlot	Fg Off		Reported for duty as Flying Instructor from CFS
22/10/39	RT Boyd	Plt Off		Reported for duty as Flying Instructor from CFS

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22/10/39	JS Georgeson	Plt Off		Reported for duty as Flying Instructor from CFS
23/10/39	PC Pickard	Fg Off		Posted to RAF Bicester
8/12/39	JR Green	Plt Off		Released from RAF service by Air Ministry authority
8/12/39	CD Gillett	Plt Off		Returned to 3 Initial Trg Wg, Hastings for further elementary flying training
8/12/39	RG Shaw	Wg Cdr		Posted to 41 Gp
11/12/39	PH Bragg	Flt Lt		Posted to CFS Upavon
12/12/39	JA Crompton	Plt Off		Reported as relief for Plt Off JR Green
13/12/39	WA Smith	Flt Cadet		KOAS night flying
15/12/39	GW Lynn	Sqn Ldr		Posted to Blackpool supernumerary for Accountant Duties at Morecombe
17/12/39	FR Foster	Flt Lt		Reported for armament duties
20/12/39	TP de Paravicini	Pupil Off		Resigned his commission
27/12/39	ES Steddy	Sqn Ldr		Posted to SHQ Cranwell for engineer duties
27/12/39	JH Hodge	Flt Lt		Reported for flying duties

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6/1/40	EVG Solbe	Sqn Ldr		Posted to RAF Harwell
12/1/40	JH Hodge	Flt Lt		Posted to 11 Gp
15/1/40	HB Collins	Flt Lt		Posted into FTS
15/1/40	J Gillan	Fg Off		Posted to Imperial Training School Canada
22-25/2/40	WW Stainthorpe	Sqn Ldr	OC Adv Trg Sqn	Vice Sqn Ldr FL White, posted to 74 Sqn
6/3/40	Flight Cadets & No 8 Course			Last Entry of Flight cadets into the RAF completed their training and were gazetted to commissions the following day. 41 pupils (No 8 Course) arrived for flying training
21/3/40	No 5 Course			19 pupils proceeded by air, rail and road to No 10 B&GS Warmwell for practice camp, returning 6/4/40
29/3/40	TRENCHARD	MRAF Viscount		Visited the RAF College and inspected the Hangars and instructional Workshops
8/4/40	ORB			Signed off by Gp Capt Halley (?) OC FTS
10/4/40	No 5 Course			35 pupil officers completed their course and were posted to units.
10/4/40	No 9 Course			40 pupils arrived for flying training
28/4/40	No 6 Course			11 pupil officers proceeded by air, rail and road to No 10 B&GS Warmwell for practice camp, returning 9/5/40
30/4/40	No 5 Course			One pupil completed his training and was posted

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10/5/40	No 6 Course			32 pupil officers and 3 flight cadets completed their course and were posted to units <i>"This is the second "war" course. It comprises mostly VR officers from the UAS and four flight cadets dropped from earlier courses. None had been to an Elementary FTS"</i> 20/11/39-13/5/40
12/5/40	No 10 Course			40 pupils arrived for flying training
22/5/40	No 7 Course			11 pupil officers proceeded to RAF Sealand for conversion course on Masters, returning on 24/5/40
22/5/40	No 6 Course			One flight cadet was transferred to 12 SFTS to complete flying training
29/5/40	Harold Soudan SMITH	Fg Off	No 8 Course	KOAS at night in Oxford P1980
1/6/40	No 7 Course			38 Pupil Officers completed course and were posted to units. <i>"This is the third "War" course. It comprised almost entirely VR officers from the UAS via 3 ITW (Initial Training Wing) Hastings"</i> 30/12/39-1/6/40
8/6/40	No 11 Course			18 Pupil Officers and 22 Air Cadets arrived for flying training
22/6/40	No 8 Course			10 Pupil officers completed course and were posted to units
29/6/40	No 8 Course			23 Pupil officers completed course and were posted to units <i>"This is the fourth "War" course, comprising mostly VR officers from the UAS via 3 ITW Hastings"</i> . 7/3/40-29/6/40
29/6/40	No 12 Course			4 Pupil Officers and 34 Air Cadets arrived for flying training
6/7/40	JC Burraston	Plt Off		KOAS. Court of inquiry held - no details
	RHW Parker	LAC (Air Cadet)		

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14/7/40	No 9 Course			5 Pupil Officers and 7 Air Cadets completed course and were posted to units
18/7/40	AJ Holmes	Sqn Ldr	CFI (Retiring)	Posted to CFS
18/7/40	VC wood	Flt Lt	CFI (Desig)	Posted to FTS
24-25/7/40	No 13 Course			2 Pupil Officers and 39 Air Cadets arrived for flying training
26/7/40	No 9 Course			13 Pupil Officers and 13 Air Cadets completed course and were posted to units. <i>"This is the fifth "War" course, comprising 22 LACs who were due to enter the College as Flight Cadets last September, 16 Australians - "pupil pilots" - and 3 Plt Offs" 10/4/40-20/7/40. Author's Note: This is the scheduled S39 Entry that was cancelled when war broke out, sent to another unit for elementary flying training and who re-entered the SFTS (College) as A40 - the last scheduled pre-war flight cadet entry.</i>
29/7/40	W Mitchell	AM Sir (William)	Insp Gen	Visited station
3/8/40	No 10 Course			5 Pupil Officers and 6 Air Cadets completed the course and were posted to units
15/8/40	No 10 Course			13 Pupil Officers and 15 Air Cadets completed the course and were posted to units 12/5/40-15/8/40
17/8/40	No 14 Course			One Pupil Officer and 49 Air Cadets arrived for flying training
20/8/40	RP Warner	LAC	SFTS 13	KOAS. Court of inquiry held - no details
30/8/40	No 11 Course			5 Pupil Officers and 7 Air Cadets completed the course and were posted to units
5/9/40	R Brooke-Popham	ACM Sir (Robert)	Insp Gen	Visited station

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6/9/40	No 11 Course			13 Pupil Officers and 15 Air Cadets completed the course and were posted to units
7/9/40	No 15 Course			One Pupil Officer and 49 Air Cadets arrived for flying training
20/9/40	No 12 Course			One Pupil Officer and 9 Air cadets complete their course and were posted to units
21/9/40	No 12 Course			Two Pupil Officers and 23 Air cadets complete their course and were posted to units
21/9/40	P Chapman	LAC	SFTS 14	KOAS at night
21/9/40	No 16 Course			38 Air Cadets arrived for flying training
24/9/40	No 16 Course			12 Air Cadets arrived for flying training
24/9/40	WR Clements	Sgt	SFTS 13 Instructor?	KOAS
	Dennison F	LAC	SFTS 13	
27/9/40	Whitley RC	LAC	SFTS 13	KOAS
11/10/40	No 13 Course			27 LACs, 8 Sgts and 3 officers completed course and were posted to units 25/7/40-11/10/40
11/10/40	A Scott	Plt Off		Awarded AFC
12/10/40	No 17 Course			One Flight Cadet, 40 LACs and 3 Officers arrive for flying training
27/10/40	AGR Garrod	AVM	Dir of Trg	Visited station
31/10/40	No 14 Course			One officer, 19 Sgts and 26 LACs completed course and were posted to units
31/10/40	No 18 Course			One Sgt and 49 LAC's arrived for flying training, including LAC 'Hoppy' Hopgood later of Dambusters M for Mother fame

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2/11/40	RA Cochran	Air Cdre Hon	Fir Flg Trg	Visited the unit
	ER Ludlow-Hewitt	ACM Sir (Edgar)	Insp Gen	Visited the unit
16/11/40	No 19 Course			45 LACs and 2 Officers arrived for flying training
16/11/40	No 15 Course			One officer, 2 Sgts and 46 LACs complete course and were posted to units
4/12/40	No 16 Course			1 Officer, 4 Sgts and 44 LACs completed course and were posted to units
4/12/40	No 20 Course			2 Officers and 48 LACs arrived for flying training
4/12/40	RM Spencer	LAC	SFTS 18	KOAS
20/12/40	JC Spurgin	LAC	SFTS 19	KOAS
21/12/40	No 17 Course			3 Officers, 39 LACs completed course and were posted to units 14/10/40-21/12/40
21/12/40	No 21 Course			1 Cpl and 48 LACs arrived for flying training
23/12/40	RN Tait	LAC	SFTS 18	KOAS at night
23/12/40	LA Pattinson	AM		Visited station
29/12/40	VF Allen	LAC	SFTS 21	KOAS

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1/1/41	GWJ Thomas	Flt Lt		Awarded MBE
1/1/41	VC Wood	Sqn Ldr		Awarded AFC
JAN/FEB	FLYING			SEVERE DISRUPTION TO FLYING THROUGHOUT JAN/FEB FROM HEAVY SNOW. COURSES EXTENDED
7/2/41	Courses			All Courses 18, 19, 20 and 21 extended a further week due to heavy snow impacting flying schedules
14/2/41	No 18 Course			1 Sgt and 45 LACs (including Hoppy Hopgood) completed training and were posted to units 31/10/40-14/2/41 Intake 50; OUTPUT 46. ABOVE AVERAGE FLYING STANDARD 3491 hrs 45 mins
17/2/41	No 22 Course			1 Sgt and 49 LACs arrived for flying training 15/2/41-10/5/41 Intake 50 Output 50 4150.25 flying hrs Avg Course
26/2/41	Enemy action			One aircraft attacked by enemy aircraft when coming in to land whilst night flying at Barkston Heath. No injuries, but aircraft damaged
5/3/41	WL Welsh	AM	AOC-in-C FTC	With Air Cdre HH McL Fraser on tour of inspection
8/3/41	No 19 Course			2 Officers and 43 LACs completed course and were posted to units 18/11/40-8/3/41 Intake 51; Output 45 3820.4 hrs A good average course
8/3/41	No 23 Course			9 Officers and 42 LACs arrived for flying training
20/3/41	JH Dend?	Gp Capt	HQ Flying Training Command	Enquiring into fatal accident to LAC Bourton as affecting Nav Training
23/3/41	KH Beale	LAC	SFTS 20	KOAS

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24/3/41	All Courses			All Courses 20, 21, 22 and 23 extended by one week (bad weather)
31/3/41	All Courses			All Courses 20, 21, 22 and 23 extended by one week (bad weather)
7/4/41	J Mutch	Wg Cdr	Stn Eng Off 8 SFTS Montrose	With Wg Cdr GD Green SEngO 11 SFTS Shawbury, Wg Cdr RF Fletcher SEngO and Wg Cdr FJB Wight CFI 12 SFTS Grantham, to inspect modifications to Link Trainers and Oxford aircraft, and cockpit drill equipment
8-9/4/41	Hambrook	Dr	End Dept USA	To view the methods of instruction employed
9/4/41	Enemy action			Attack by hostile aircraft at Barkston RLG (HE & Incendiaries). No aircraft damage, but one casualty, AC1 EMJ O'Donovan who died after admission to RAFH Rauceby
10/4/41	R Duff	Mr	BBC	With LS Lewis and AR Phillip gathering material for a specialist broadcast on night flying instruction
12/4/41	LA Pattinson	AM	Fg Trg Cmd	Visited unit
12/4/41	No 20 Course			2 Officers and 46 LACs completed training and were posted to units 4/12/40-12/4/41 Intake 51 Output 49 3972.35 hrs flying Avg Course
12/4/41	Staffing			Attachment of two flights to CFS results in reducing strength from 200 to 150 pupils. No intake yet to replace Course 20
19/4/41	WT Green	LAC		KOAS at night
25/4/41	No 21 Course			1 Sgt and 47 LACs completed training and were posted to units 23/12/40-26/4/41 Intake 52 Output 48 4267.20 hrs flying Good Avg Course
26/4/41	No 24 Course			50 LACs arrived for flying training

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28/5/41	No 23 Course			9 Officers and 38 LACs completed training and were posted to units 10/3/41-28/5/41 Intake 51 Output 47 4221.05 flying hrs Good Avg Course
31/5/41	No 26 Course			3 Sgts, 3 Cpls and 44 LACs arrived for flying training
1/6/41	RA Cochrane	Air Cdre Hon		With Mr Finchley Head of Civil Flying USA visited the Unit
	LA Pattinson	AM	Fg Trg Cmd	Visited unit
15/6/41	2 CFS			Attachment of 2 CFS Courses 11A and 12A to Cranwell with CFIs Flt Lt SS Kirsten and Sqn Ldr CW Lindsey and other instructors, while CFS moves to Church Lawford
25/6/41	2 CFS Course 11A			16 Officers and 9 Sgts completed course and were posted to units
26/6/41	Duke of Kent	Gp Capt HRH		Visited cadets instructional workshops, synthetic trainers, Link trainer, Maintenance Hangar and dispersal points
30/6/41	2 CFS Course 13A			14 Officers and 6 Sgts arrived for flying instructor training
2/7/41	No 24 Course			49 LACs completed training and were posted to units 26/4/41-2/7/41
3/7/41	No 27 Course			3 Sgts, 5 Cpls, and 52 LACs arrived for flying training
14/7/41	2 CFS			2 CFS Instructional staff visit unit
19/7/41	No 25 Course			1 Officer, 2 Sgts and 45 LACs completed training and were posted to units - one LAC detained for disciplinary reasons
19/7/41	2 CFS Course 12A			12 Officers and 9 Sgts completed 12A Flying Instructors' Course and were posted

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20/7/41	2 CFS Course 14A			13 officers and 12 Sgts arrived for flying instructor training
21/7/41	No 28 Course			1 officer, 4 Sgts, 12 Cpls and 43 LACs arrived for flying training
5/8/41	2 CFS Course 13A			2 Flt Lts, 1 Fg Off, 14 Plt Offs and 8 Sgts completed flying instructor training and were posted
5/8/41	Pollock	Mr	Works Services	And Nav Off proceeded RAF Woodley to inspect the "D.R." Instructor
5-7-/8/41	H Gordon-Dean	Gp Capt		Visited HQ 21 Gp and was given full facilities at this unit to see and investigate training methods
8/8/41	No 26 Course			3 Sgts, 3 Cpls and 43 LACs completed flying training and were posted to units 2/6/41-8/8/41 Intake 52 Output 49 44371.55 flying hrs Avg Course Standard
9/8/41	No 29 Course			8 Officers, 1 Sgt, 6 Cpls and 45 LACs arrived for flying training
10/8/41	2 CFS Course 15A			9 Plt Offs and 18 Sgts arrived for flying instructor training
19/8/41	WL Welsh	AM	AOC-in-C FTC	Visited the unit
20/8/41	JT Babbington	AM Sir	AOC-in-C TTC	Visited the unit
28/8/41	2 CFS Course 14A			12 Plt Offs and 12 Sgts completed flying instructors' course and were posted to units
29/8/41	Reid	AVM	AOC HQ FTC	Visited the unit
30/8/41	2 CFS Course 16A			1 Fg Off, 12 Plt Offs and 10 Sgts arrive for flying instructor training
4/9/41	RC Vernon	Sgt	Instructor	KOAS, Oxford P1079

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	HW Adams	LAC	Pupil SFTS 29	Injured, Oxford P1079
6/9/41	LE Eales	LAC	SFTS 28	KOAS
12/9/41	No 27 Course			3 Sgts, 5 Cpls and 50 LACs completed flying training and were posted to units 5/7/41-12/9/41 Intake 61 Output 58 4976.40 flying hrs Avg Course Standard
13/9/41	No 30 Course			1 Plt Off, 1 Lt, 6 2nd Lt, 1 Cpl and 52 LACs arrive for flying training
26/9/41	WA Carr	Cpl	SFTS 28	KOAS at night
27/9/41	JFC Carrington	Plt Off	CFS Flying Instructors	And Sgt B Lumb safely made an emergency parachute jump whilst night flying, unable to land in bad viz and having used up all fuel
28/9/41	11 SFTS			31 Pupils, 4 Officers (instructors), 1 Flt Sgt, 4 Sgts (3 instructors) and 30 airmen attached from 11 SFTS Shawbury with aircraft to complete night flying training owing to insufficient facilities at their parent unit
30/9/41	No 28 Course			1 2nd Lt, 3 Sgts, 13 Cpls and 41 LACs complete training and were posted to units
30/9/41	WJ Jordan	Mr	High Commissioner New Zealand	Visited to make contact with RNZAF personnel; unit rep was Flt Lt RH Laud
4/10/41	2 CFS Course 15A			9 Officers and 18 Sgts completed training and were posted
6/10/41	2 CFS Course 17A			12 Officers and 13 Sgts arrive for instructors course
12/10/41	PLG Davies	LAC	American citizen	KOAS at night at Barkston Heath

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14/10/41	GLH Steede	Sgt	Pupil 16A Course - no record of him on College SFTS Course 16 list or Intake photo	KOAS at night at Fulbeck
15/10/41	JAS Younge	LAC	Pupils SFTS 30	KOAS in mid-air collision; course lists him as JSA Younge
	JL Coen	LAC		
15-16/10/41	11 SFTS			2 Officers, 6 Sgts (5 instructors), 32 men and 20 pupils attached from Shawbury
21/10/41	No 29 Course			8 Army officers, 1 Sgt, 7 Cpls and 46 LACs completed flying training and were posted to units 9/8/41-22/10/41 Intake 63 Output 59 5201.15 flying hrs Avg Course standard
21-27/10/41	2 CFS			Courses 16A and 17A and all CFS personnel move to RAF Dalcross on attachment
22/10/41	MA Dunn	Plt Off	Instructor 11 SFTS	KOAS at Ingham satellite - Zarraga not listed on any SFTS courses not intake photos
	P Zarraga	LAC	Pupil 11 SFTS	
23/10/41	11 SFTS			Pupils attached to this unit on 15-16/10/41 return to parent unit, Shawbury; followed by all staff on 24/10/42
25/10/41	No 32 Course			1 Officer, 1 Sgt, 1 Cpl and 55 LACs arrived for flying training
	No 29A Course			No 30 Course at 11 SFTS Shawbury comprising 4 Sgts, 5 Cpls, and 47 LACs, was posted to this unit to complete training as 29A Course
29/10/41	DN Birtwell	LAC	Pupil	KOAS during a sudden, blinding snowstorm and very poor viz. Listed on College SFTS Course 31 as Birtwell DNS

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	EM Cowperthwaite	Plt Off	Instructor	KOAS in the same conditions as DN Birtwell above
	WJV Samuel	LAC	Pupil SFTS 32	
	DC Ross	LAC	Pupil SFTS 32	
30/10/41	NC Hood	Wg Cdr	OC 17 SFTS	Signed off ORB
4/11/41	RBB Fitchie	Sgt	Pupil	KOAS, at night at Fulbeck RLG, LAC RH Rawlins injured - not found on College SFTS Course lists
13/11/41	The King	HM		Visited station and inspected RAF College pupils under training
21/11/41	LO Atkins	Sqn Ldr	DG of Eqpt Liaison Officer	Visited the unit
22/11/41	No 29A Course			Extended one week to 29/11/41, to complete night flying training
25/11/41	TA Rich	Cpl	Pupil	Seriously injured and died at Fulbeck RLG by walking into the airscrew of a taxiing aircraft in the dark - Not listed on any of the College SFTS Flying courses
26/11/41	H Ujejski	AVM	Polish Insp Gen	Visited the unit
27/11/41	Granville-Squires	Mr		Visited the unit and lectured to pupils on "Secret Hiding places"
29/11/41	No 29A Course			Course extended further by one week till 6/12/41 for every effort to be made with night flying
29/11/41	GR Hooster	Gp Capt	OC 17 SFTS	Signs off ORB as "Commanding RAF College (SFTS) "
4/12/41	SH Hardy	Gp Capt	12 Gp	And Sqn Ldr Holden lectured on Fighter Command organisation and tactics. AOC 21 Group and officers and pupils of RAF College attended

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5/12/41	No 29A Course			Ex-Shawbury 4 Sgts, 4 Cpls and 44 LACs completed training and were posted to units 7/8/41 at 11 SFTS to 6/12/41 Intake 64 Output 52 4301.27 flying hrs. Average flying standard
6/12/41	Ex-3 PRC pupils			31 Officers and 29 Sgts arrived from 3 PRC Bournemouth for Advanced Flying Training. It being intended to form courses at this unit, of pupils ex Dominion FTS, under the Empire Air Training Scheme, for the revision of their flying training
11/12/41	EA Griffin	LAC		KOAS after mid-air collision with a Spitfire of 412 Sqn, Digby, whose pilot was also killed
13/12/41	NR Hughes	LAC	Pupil	KOAS; pupil LAC HJ Johnson seriously injured

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3/1/42	1 AFU			31 Officers and 29 Sgts completed flying training and were posted to units. Intimation that further AFU Courses would be posted to this unit 6/12/41-3/1/42 <i>Intake 60 Output 60 Avg Standards of flying, nav and discipline</i>
5/1/42	No 33 Course			44 LAC Pupils, together with officers and airmen flying instructors, posted from 15 SFTS for TE Night Fighter instruction. Information received that this SFTS would eventually be reorganised to train 50% SE and 50% TE pilots. Change over action for aircraft was commenced and allotments of Miles Master SE planes have been made.
9/1/42	R McCoy	Sgt	Instructor	KOAS in mid-air collision between their Oxford and a Spitfire of 412 Sqn Digby - listed as Aberdeen ED on College SFTS Course 30
	E Aberdeen	LAC	Pupil	
23/1/42	No 30 Course			8 Officers, 1 Cpl and 42 LACs completed flying training and were posted to units. First "Presentation of Wings" parade held. Wings presented by Gp Capt ADE Foster 13/9/41-24/1/42 <i>Intake 62 Output 51 4593 flying hrs Avg Standard</i>
24/1/42	No 34 Course			24 officers, 2 Flt Sgts, 1 Sgt, 3 Cpls and 31 LACs arrive for flying training, being the first for SE training
1/2/42	FJ Wilson	Plt Off		DOAS in Rauceby Hospital from pleural effusion
1-2/2/42	Balfour	Capt Hon	USoS Air	Visited the unit and lunched in the College Mess with AVM RP Willock, Air Cdre HM Probyn and Gp Capts ADH Foster and LTN Gould

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9/2/42	JN Boothman	Gp Capt	OC RAF Finningley	Lectured on "Bomber Command" in the presence of AVM RP Willock, Air Cdre HM Probyn, Gp Capts GM Knocker and ADH Foster, and offers and pupils of RAF College SFTS
14/2/42	No 31 Course			3 Sgts, 2 Cpls and 43 LACs completed flying training and were posted 4/10/41-14/2/42 Intake 61 Output 46 3869.35 flying hrs. Good Avg Standard
14/2/42	No 35 Course			14 Army Officers, 6 Officers, 3 Sgts, 3 Cpls and 33 LACs arrived for flying training
2/3/42	RP Willock	AVM	AOC 21 Gp	Lectured pupils and officers at RAF College on accidents in flying training
13/3/42	C Dones	Major	DD Trg SAAF	Visited the unit and took interest in technical tradesmen after they pass out of Tech Trg Schools
13/3/42	JMM Smith	LAC	Pupil pilot	KOAS at night near Fulbeck RLG
18/3/42	3 (C) OTU Whitley			Crashed into the west end of the main College building, whilst night flying, causing extensive damage to the building by impact and fire, death of the three crew, and damaging interior furnishings. Three pupils were injured by the fire.
25/3/42	No 32 Course			1 Army Lt, 1 Cpl and 59 LACs completed flying training and were posted to units 25/10/41-26/3/42 Intake 60 Output 61 5274 flying hrs Good Avg Standard
	WL Welsh	AM	AOC-in-C FTC	Visited the unit
28/3/42	No 36 Course			40 Army Officers, 11 RAF Officers, 1 Sgt, 2 Cpls and 8 LACs arrived for flying training
Mar 42	JD Linaker	Lt	Pupil pilot	KOAS in his Master together with occupants in the Lancaster with which he collided

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3/4/42	OT Frith	Maj Gen		Lectured to Officers and Pupils on “Searchlights in War”
17/4/42	JAA Griffin	Brigadier		Lectured in College Hall Lecture Hall on “Airborne Troops and Unarmed Combat”, to Gp Capts ADH Foster, GM Knocker, Cols KRF Black, RW Newton and officers and pupils of RAF College SFTS
25/4/42	No 33 Course			43 LACs completed flying training and were posted to units 5/1/42-25/4/42 (and at Kidlington 10/11/41-4/1/42) Intake 46 Output 43 5324.15 flying hrs Above Avg Standard
29/4/42	No 37 Course			20 RAF officers, 16 Army officers, 2 Sgts, 4 Cpls and 18 LACs arrived from flying training
1/5/42	WGM Davis	Flt Lt	Eng Staff Off FTC	Visited unit
21/5/42	WG Strange	AC2	Flt Mech A/F	Seriously injured and later died by walking into the propellor of a stationary aircraft with engines running
26/5/42	No 34 Course			4 RAF officers, 15 Army officers and 1 Dutch officer, 2 Flt Sgts, 1 Sgt, 3 Cpls and 30 LACs completed flying training and were posted to units 24/1/42-25/5/42 Intake 63 Output 56 5172.30 hrs flying Above Avg Standard
28/5/42	No 38 Course			20 Turkish officers, 4 Free French officers, 14 RAF and 2 Army officers, 11 Free French and 9 Belgian airmen and one LAC arrived for flying training.
	FOOTNOTE			“THERE WERE NO INTERRUPTIONS TO PUPILS NIGHT FLYING TRAINING THROUGH ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY”
3/6/42	VGF Kelly	Wg Cdr	Educn Branch FTC	Bisited unit in connection with Ground Advisory Scheme on Ground Instruction
16/6/42	Ladous	Capt	Free French Air Force	Visited unit to keep in touch with Free French pupils

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18/6/42	S Turagay	Major	Turkish Air Attache	Visited unit to discuss and observe Turkish Officers' progress
22/6/42	RH Allignal	Flt Sgt	Free French Pupil	KOAS buried in Cranwell village - listed in College SFTS Course 38 as Allignal RH
23/6/42	Huang	Sqn Ldr	Chinese Air Attache	Escorted by Wg Cdr Growden FLO air Ministry visited unit to obtain picture of SFTS activities
24/6/42	No 35 Course			20 officers, 2 Sgts and 34 LACs completed flying training 14/2/42-20/6/42 Intake 63 Output 56 7716.05 hrs Above Avg Standard
25/6/42	No 39 Course			2 Dutch, 3 Free French, 1 Lithuanian, 14 Turkish, 1 Army and 12 RAF officers together with 2 Free French, 6 Dutch, 4 Trinidad, 1 Belgian and 14 RAF airmen arrived for flying training
	WL Welsh	AM	AOC-in-C FTC	Visited the unit
8-10/7/42	Gavro Shkrivanitch	Lt Col	Hd RYugoMilAF	Visited unit to obtain appreciation of facilities
22/7/42	No 36 Course			44 officers, 2 Sgts, 1 Cpl and 13 LACs complete flying training and were posted to units 21/3/42-22/7/42 Intake 61 Output 60 6583.55 flying hrs Above Avg Standard
23/7/42	No 40 Course			1 Army, 23 Turkish, 1 Fighting French, 1 Czech 4 RAF officers and one Canadian, 11 Belgian, 2 Cingalese, one Fighting French and 16 RAF airmen arrived for flying training
23/7/42	Orga	Capt	Turkish Welfare Officer	Visited unit for three days to consult Capt Ersal (Welfare Officer with the unit) regarding Turkish cadet training
27/7/42	RJ Cosnall	Wg Cdr	CFI (Retiring)	Posted to 3 Flying Instructor School Hullavington

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31/7/42	S Turagay	Major	Turkish Air Attache	Visited unit to discuss and observe Turkish Officers' progress
15/8/42	A Foord-Kelcey	Wg Cdr	CFI Designate	Posted from Aden vice Wg Cdr RJ Cosnell
17/8/42	Resit NABLANT	Lt	Turkish Army 39 Course	KOAS at night. Cranwell service attended by Stn Cdr Air Cdre HM Probyn, Gp Capt ADH Foster OC RAF College SFTS, Lt Kusu and Capt Ersal Turkish Welfare Officers, 58 Turkish Officers, College Adjutant Flt Lt F Davies, 12 RAF officers and 50 airmen and an Officer and 50 men of the RAF Regt. The internment took place at Brookwood Cemetery attended by Gp Capt ADH Foster, Sqn Ldr EH Irving, 3 QFIs and 10 Turkish officer pupils. LISTED ON COLLEGE SFTS Course 39 as NALBANT R
19/8/42	No 37 Course			19 RAF officers, 15 Army officers, 1 Sgt, 5 Cpls and 19 LACs completed flying training and were posted to units 29/4/42-19/8/42 Intake 63 Output 59 7737 flying hrs Average Standard
19/8/42	No 41 Course			8 RAF and 1 Army officer, 2 Sgts, 1 Cpl and 17 LACs RAF, 1 Dominion, 13 Czech, 7 Cingalese, 1 Fighting French and 10 Belgian airmen arrived for flying training
27/8/42	MR Piper	Plt Off	Pupil of 38 Course	KOAS, buried at Efford Cemetery, Plymouth, with Plt Off HD Johnson representing the unit
11/9/42	P Babington	AVM	AOC-in-C FTC	Visited 21 Gp and College SFTS
16/9/42	No 38 Course			15 RAF, 2 Army, 4 Fighting French and 19 Turkish officers and 1 Fighting French Sgt, 9 Fighting French Cpls, 7 Belgian LACs and 3 RAF LACs completed flying training and were posted to units
16/9/42	No 42 Course			11 RAF and 1 Army officer, 5 Sgts, 2 Cpls and 50 LACs arrived for flying training

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20/9/42	N Sengun	2 Lt	Turkish Off 40 Course	KOAS at night. Internment ceremony at Brookwood Cemetery, attended by Turkish pupils. Funeral party escorting the coffin to the College gates included Air Cdre HM Probyn, Gp Capt ADH Foster, 38 Turkish officers, 12 RAF officers and 50 airmen
29/9/42	HP Ruffell Smith	Wg Cdr	Flying Personnel Medical Off FTC	Visited unit
1/10/42	MG Lloyd-Jones	Sqn Ldr	Chf Gnd Inst (Retiring)	Posted to 15 (F) AFU having handed over to Sqn Ldr WB Calder posted from 15 (P) AFU
1/10/42	RGM Wright	Fg Off	Instructor	KOAS with LAC FAJ Burroughs (pupil - seriously injured) in an Oxford aircraft collided in mid-air with Czech pupil Cpl J Jill (uninjured) flying a Miles Master.
6/10/42	LG Palmer	Professor	Min of Air Production	Visited unit to investigate coordination and standardisation of synthetic equipment
7-8/10/42	WA Murray	Wg Cdr	Nav Trg RCAF HQ Ottawa	Visited unit to study navigation training methods
8/10/42	AL Paxton	Air Cdre	Dir Flg Trg RCAF	Visited unit
8/10/42	AG Willman	Sgt	RAusAF Instructor	Both KOAS in mid-air collision of two Miles Master aircraft coming into land, the crew of the other Master (Fg Off DHA Wilen and LAC JVP Daly) being seriously injured and escaping without injury respectively (BUT SEE BELOW). A service funeral was held at Cranwell Village churchyard on 12/10/42 and, for the internment of Sgt Willman, photos were sent to Mrs Willman (wife) in Australia.
	KR Hickling	LAC	Pupil	
11/10/42	GF Macpherson	Gp Capt	OC College SFTS (designate)	Posted to this unit as supernumerary, pending take-over of command from Gp Capt ADH Foster when posted for embarkation for overseas (28/10/42)

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15/10/42	DHA Wilen	Plt Off		KOAS, dying in RAFH Rauceby of his injuries as a result of his accident on 8/10/42. - Not listed in College SFTS Courses as a pupil.
28/10/42	No 39 Course			13 RAF, 1 Dutch, 1 Army, 1 Lithuanian and 2 Fighting French officers, 2 Fighting French and 1 Dutch NCO, 1 Dutch Seaman and 20 Airmen (including 3 Trinidadian, 1 Belgian and 3 Dutch) and 13 Turkish officers completed flying training and were posted to units 25/6/42-28/10/42 Intake 60 Output 57 7843.40 Average Standard
29/10/42	PJ Isidore	LAC	Indian pupil	KOAS at night
29/10/42	No 43 Course			1 Belgian, 1 Czech and 1 RAF officer, 1 Fighting French, 1 Belgian, 1 Australian and 7 RAF NCOs and 51 airmen arrived for flying training
31/10/42	Graham	Mr	American citizen	Run a US Army Air Corps School and a British FTS, visited the unit
	Tyson	Mr	American citizen	
3/11/42	WR Worstall	Wg Cdr	Eng Staff Off FTC	Visited unit
17/11/42	K Janousek	AVM	Insp Gen CzechAF	Attended by Sqn Ldr HL Seligman of DAFL visited the station and were entertained at the RAF College Hall Mess
25/11/42	All Courses			Nos 40, 41, 42 and 43 extended a fortnight, to enable the new syllabus (AP 1388A) to be completed
3/12/42	All Courses			Bombing practices iaw AP 1388A commenced at Bassingham Fen (4 miles north of Cranwell - used by a 5 Gp HCU too, controlled by RAF Waddington) bombing range with very satisfactory results.
22/12/42	GA Benson	Sgt	Instructor	KOAS at night, ran out of fuel and stalled on forced landing. This was the only occasion when the pilot was killed.

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	W Paterson	LAC	Pupil SFTS 42?	landing - There was a GD Paterson listed on College SFTS Course 42

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6/1/43	No 40 Course			21 Turkish, 1 Czech, 1 Army and 4 RAF officers and 1 Canadian, 11 Belgian, 2 Cingalese and 17 RAF airmen completed flying training and proceeded on leave pending posting 22/7/42-6/1/43 TE Intake 31 TE Output 29 4043.05 flying hrs SE Intake 33 SE Output 29 3586.40 flying hrs Average Standard
6/1/43	No 44 Course			1 RAF, 1 Army, 2 Canadian and 2 Czech officers and 59 airmen arrived for flying training
12/1/43	AGR Garrod	AM	AM Trg	Visited the station
17/1/43	JB Burd	LAC	Pupil pilot 43 Course	KOAS in a mid-air collision between his Miles Master and a Proctor of 1 Sigs School whose crew both survived with minor injuries
26/1/43	CR Keary	Gp Capt	HQ FTC	Visited the unit prior to an overseas tour of duty
27/1/43	Godsell	Wg Cdr	RAAF	Visited unit
29/1/43	GBA Baker	AVM	AOA TTC	Visited station
2/2/43	No 41 Course			1 Army and 8 RAF officers, 8 Cingalese, 7 Belgian, 11 Czech and 15 RAF NCOs and airmen completed flying training and were sent on leave pending posting to units 19/8/42-3/2/43 TE Intake 31 Output 25 3160.10 flying hrs SE Intake 32 SE Output 3096.45 flying hrs Both to Avg Standard
3/2/43	No 45 Course			1 Canadian Army, 2 Fighting French, 2 Dutch and 1 RAF officer, 1 Czech, 1 Belgian, 1 Dutch and 56 RAF NCOs and airmen arrived for flying training

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10/2/43	Roodoy	Major	Soviet Military Mission	And Capt Dicky listed the unit to study or and admin of a SFTS school
23/2/43	A Longmore	ACM Sir (Arthur)		Gave a travelogue in the evening the College to the pupils and staff officers. Also present were AVM RP Willock, Air Cdre HM Probyn and Gp Capt CF Macpherson
25/2/43	JT Babbington	AM	AOC-in-C TTC	And his PMO visited the station
26/2/43	Huntbach	Miss	Horticultural expert	Visited station and gave advice on cropping and other gardening matters
26/2/43	ER Ludlow Hewitt	ACM Sir (Edgar)	Insp Gen	Visited station
7/3/43	Aulton	Wg Cdr	Coastal Cmd	Visited the College and gave a lecture on "AirTraining in the United States".
9/3/43	Y Chardon	Sgt	Fighting French pupil	KOAS in Miles Master wing struck a tree and dived into the ground. A service funeral was arranged at Cranwell Village churchyard, and the FFAF sent a padre to officiate at the internment
	JD Burrell	LAC	Pupil SFTS 43	
17/3/43	No 42 Course			18 RAF and 1 Dutch officer, and 33 RAF, 2 Belgians, 2 Fighting French and 2 Czech completed flying training and proceeded on leave pending posting 16/9/42-17/3/43 TE Intake 37 TE Output plus 3 ex-41 Course 3275.15 flying hrs SE Intake 34 SE Output 29 plus 1 ex 43 Course 3346 flying hrs Below Avg and Avg Standards respectively
17/3/43	No 46 Course			2 Canadian Army officers and 24 RAF, 1 Fighting French, 2 Czech airmen arrived for flying training
20/3/43	H Clark	Flt Sgt	Instructor	KOAS in an Oxford aircraft that struck a balloon cable at Crewe, whilst engaged on a cross-country flight to Sealand where the passenger was to have been landed
	FE Hughes	LAC	Pupil SFTS 45	
	JG Stoneham	LAC	Pupil SFTS 45	

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	AE Wheeler	Fg Off	Passenger	
21/3/43	No 46 Course			39 Turkish officers and Capt Orga, Welfare Officer, arrived for inclusion in No 46 Course
26/3/43	Victor Cazalet	Capt Hon MP		Visited the College and gave a lecture on "Trip to the Mediterranean and Russia".
1/4/43	RAF Caistor			Loaned to the unit from 25 Gp for use as a Relief Landing Ground (RLG) and for night flying, the need arising from the release of Barkston Heath to Bomber Command
2/4/43	EH Irving	Sqn Ldr	OC 1 Sqn 17 SFTS	Awarded AFC
	J Korndorffer	Sqn Ldr	OC 2 Sqn 17 SFTS	
5/4/43	SM Coward	Cpl	Pupil pilot 43 Course	KOAS
11/4/43	Sherwood	Lord	PUS Air	And his PPS, Lord Wimborne, visited station
12/4/43	No 43 Course			Flying badges presented to successful pupils
12/4/43	F Hughes	LAC	SFTS 46	KOAS following collision with drogue released by a Miles Master - since instructed that all drogues not to be streamed within 3 miles of Cranwell, pending regulations for safety aircraft
13/4/43	B King	Mrs	Ch of Womes's Anglo-Soviet Committee	Lecture on "Life and Conditions in Russia"
13/4/43	RP Willock	AVM	AOC 21 Gp	Inspected College SFTS and expressed complete satisfaction
14/4/43	RA Cozens	LAC	SFTS 44	KOAS

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14/4/43	No 43 Course			1 Czech, 15 RAF, 1 Belgian and 1 Australian officer, and 21/38 RAF airmen completed flying training and proceeded on leave pending postings <i>28/10/42-14/4/43 TE Intake 37 TE Output 30 3803.20 flying hrs SE Intake 32 SE Output 23 3298 flying hrs Avg Standard</i>
14/4/43	No 1 Refresher			60 officers and airmen commenced this course, the unit being reorganised to run two Norman SFTS courses, one Refresher Flight, and an abridged OTU course for the Turkish pupils, instead of the normal four SFTS courses
20-21/4/43	C Middleton	Plt Off	Dir Edn Serv Air Ministry	Visited unit to gain insight into educational work connected with Allied Personnel
21/4/43	S Borcyn	Capt	Turkish Liaison Officer	Posted from the Turkish Legation
22/4/43	Trent	Lord	Div Commissioner for Defence	Visited station and shown around the College
4-5/5/43	ECFS			Visited the unit and awarded 4 x A1 and 10 x A2 Categories to Flying Instructors
6/5/43	Duchess of Gloucester	HRH		Visited the station and attended the parade to mark her official opening of a building in East Camp for the YMCA services canteen
11/5/43	George	Wg Cdr	OC SFTS in Canada (designate)	Visited unit to discuss service training
11/5/43	LJ McCrae	LAC	Pupil pilot 46 Course	Awarded BEM for displaying complete disregard for his personal safety, and high courage, rescuing an unconscious pilot from a crashed and boring aircraft
15/5/43	HA Hewat	Air Cdre		Visited unit
20/5/43	J Korndorffer	Sqn Ldr	OC B Sqn	Reported to 5 PDC, Blackpool, on posting to Canada

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24/5/43	No 44 Course			Flying badges presented on parade to successful pupils
26/5/43	No 44 Course			2 Canadian, 2 Czech and 19 RAF officers and 32 RAF Sgts completed flying training and proceeded on leave pending postings <i>TE Intake 36 TE Output 31 4374.10 flying hrs SE Intake 33 SE Output 25 3829.10 flying hrs Both Avg Standard</i>
26/5/43	No 48 Course			1 RAF, 1 Army, 24 Turkish, 2 Fighting French, 1 Dutch and 1 Canadian officer, and 1 Canadian arrived for flying training
31/5/43	Smith	Sqn Ldr	(ex-CFS Course) attached Dir Flg Trg	Visited unit prior to returning to New Zealand
31/5/43	Refresher Course			Numbers completed during May 37 Numbers commenced training during May 19 Numbers remaining under training during May 40
1/6/43	RAF Caistor			Transferred to jurisdiction of RAF Cranwell from 1 AAS
7/6/43	Wellingore			Loaned as a RLG
9/6/43	JE Hebert	Flt Sgt	Free French pupil of Refresher Course	KOAS, missing believed killed after crashing off Filey in poor viz. Wreckage discovered but no trace of the pilot. Later washed up 1/7/43 and buried at RAF Cemetery Harrogate
12/6/43	Springett	Sqn Ldr	RAAF ex-Empire CFS	And Sqn Ferguson visited the unit before returning to Australia
13/6/43	DB Pell	Sgt	Pupil of 48 Course	KOAS on South Aerodrome
19/6/43	Hudson	Sqn Ldr	RNZAF	Visited unit to study latest instructional methods practiced in the UK

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21/6/43	No 45 Course			Flying badges presented on parade to successful pupils
23/6/43	No 45 Course			2 Dutch, 2 Free French, 1 Canadian, 1 Belgian, 1 Turkish and 14 RAF officers, and 1 Czech, 1 Dutch and 36 RAF airmen completed flying training and proceeded on leave pending posting <i>TE Intake 36 TE Output 28 4495.45 flying hrs SE Intake 36 SE Output 32 4384.40 flying hrs Avg and Above Avg Standards respectively</i>
25/6/43	CG Grey	Mr	Founder of the "Aeroplane"	Visited unit
29/6/43	Dirvana	Capt	Acting Turkish Air Attache	Visited unit to discuss training of Turkish officers
30/6/43	Refresher Course			Numbers completed during June 37 Numbers commenced training during June 67 Numbers remaining under training during May 73
6/43	FJM Pryer	Sqn Ldr	HQ FTS	Visited unit to discuss WAAF technical trainees
16/7/43	2 FI School			Visited unit to test the general flying instruction given to pupils of "F" and "H" flights
	S Parlak	Lt	Turkish SFTS 46 pupil pilot	KOAS low flying near Grantham. Funeral arrangements carried out by RAF Bottesford with RAF Cemetery Brookwood
21/7/43	No 49 Course			1 Czech, 8 Turkish. 1 Belgian, 1 Free Frenchman and 9 RAF officers, 1 RNZAF, 2 RCAF and 37 British airmen arrived for flying training

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21/7/43	No 46 Course			2 Canadian, 28 Turkish and 10 RAF officers, and 2 Czech, 1 Free French and 21 British airmen completed flying training and proceeded on leave pending posting, with the exception of the Turkish officers who returned after leave to No 1 (T) Course for advanced flying training (see item below dated 28/7/43 18/3/43-21/7/43 STE Intake 40 TE Output 32 4613.15 flying hrs SE Intake 41 SE Output 32 4312.05 flying hrs Both Avg Standards
27/7/43	R Hamilton	Sqn Ldr	Sir Edn Off Cmd Instructors' School	Visited unit to become familiar with various types of training in FTC and TTC
28/7/43	No 1 (T) Course			29 Turkish officers returned from leave and commenced Advanced Flying Training with Spitfire and Blenheim aircraft
31/7/43	Refresher Course			Numbers completed during July 30 Numbers commenced training during July 14 Numbers remaining under training during July 35
9/8/43	R Jackson	LAC	Pupil pilot 48 Course	KOAS in a Miles Master. Interned in Newport Pagnell at the request of his wife
12/8/43	JO Andrews	AVM	AOA FTC	Visited 21 Gp and the unit
16/8/43	PB Joubert de la Ferte	Sir (Philip)	Insp Gen	Visited station
20/8/43	P Babington	AM Sir (Philip)	AOC-in-C FTC	Visited unit
23/8/43	E Sasmaz	Lt	Turkish pupil 48 Course	KOAS in Miles Master.
24/8/43	AS Barratt	AM Sir (Arthur)	AOC-in-C TTC	Visited station
25/8/43	1 (T) Course			18 SE Turkish pilots together with instructors, ground crew and aircraft, proceeded to 10 (O) AFU Dumfries for advanced firing and gunnery practice

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31/8/43	Refresher Course			Numbers completed during August 33 Numbers commenced training during August 21 Numbers remaining under training during August 18
4-6/9/43	Welsh	Lady	Insp of WAAF Gp Off	Visited statin with Sqn Off PA Ralston
4/9/43	LF Chapman	Fg Off	Instructor	KIA, Miles Master shot down at night, just after take-off, by enemy intruder
	H Akarcay	Lt	SFTS 48	
4/9/43	RAF Caistor			Night flying ceased at Caistor RLG, the aerodrome being considered to close to the coast
12/9/43	Downer	Lt Col	SAAF	Visited unit and 21 Gp to study nav trg methods prior to taking up specialist nav duties
14/9/43	JH Rooney	Fg Off	Canadian on SFTS Short Course	KOAS in Miles Master. Interment arranged at RAF Cemetery Cambridge, Flt Lt MI Cox representing the unit and 410 Sqn Padre Sqn Ldr AI Higgins officiating.
18/9/43	Wellingore			The loan of this RLG ceased, being required by its parent unit RAF Digby
23/9/43	O Sunercan	Lt	Turkish pupil 48 Course	KOAS, Oxford stalled and crashed. Interned at Brookwood, Air Cdre HM Probyn, Gp Capt GF Macpherson , staff officers and pupils in attendance.
29/9/43	No 48 Course			1 British, 2 Canadian, 1 Dutch , 2 French and 22 Turkish officers and 2 French, 1 Jamaican, 1 Canadian, 1 Belgian, 1 RNZAF and 34 British airmen completed flying training and proceeded on leave pending posting. The Turkish officers returned after 1 week's leave to form 2 (T) course Advanced Course. 26/5/43-29/9/43 TE Intake 40 TE Output 34 5538.35 flying hrs SE Intake 44 SE Output 34 4928.25 flying hrs Both Avg Standard

Date	Name	Rank	Role	Detail from ORB
29/9/43	No 50 Course			5 RAF, 1 Free French, 1 RNZAF and 1 RAAF officer, and 1 RAF WO, 3 RAF Flt Sgts, 2 RAF and 1 Free French Sgt, 2 RAF Cpls and 45 RAF, 2 Belgian and 1 Egyptian LAC arrived for flying training.
6/10/43	2 (T) Course			23 Turkish officers returned from leave and commenced their advanced flying course
12/10/43	DP Javitch	Col	Yugoslav Air Observer	Visited unit to obtain appreciation of activities at an SFTS
12-14/10/43	Barnabie	Lt	USAAF	Visited with Flt Lt Bell of Air Ministry DTF as part of his study into Sigs Trg as applied to pupil pilots
25/10/43	GF Macpherson	Gp Capt	OC SFTS (Retiring)	Posted to Bomber Command and the CFI, Wg Cdr A Foord-Kelcey, assumed command
27/10/43	No 3 (Short) Course			17 RAF and 3 RNSAF officers completed their short course and proceeded on leave pending posting
31/10/43	Refresher Course			Numbers completed during October 11 Numbers commenced training during October 29 Numbers remaining under training during October 37
2/11/43	Ryder Young	Gp Capt	OC SFTS (Designate)	Assumes command on posting from 54 Gp
3/11/43	No 4 (Short) Course			21 RAF, 2 RCAF and 1 RNZAF officers and 1 WO arrived for flying training, being detached to Caistror
6/11/43	EB (?) Irving	Sqn Ldr		Detached to Air Ministry ACASI pending overseas posting
10/11/43	WW Loxton	Wg Cdr	CFI (Designate)	Arrived from 21 Gp supernumerary, for duty as CFI pending posting of Wg Cdr A Foord-Kelcey to Staff College

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11/11/43	Fabio sa Earp	Col	Hd Brazilian Air Mission	And Lt Col Reynalds Carvalho, Capt Hamlet de Azambrya Estrella and Capt Henrique Anaral Penna, with Flt Lt Fairfax Cones and Plt Off Pretymen of Air Ministry entertained in the RAF College Mess, Following day visited all parts of the station.
12/11/43	Regent of Iraq			And his part accompanied by Air Cdre Vachell and Mr Chaplain of the FCO inspected a guard of honour and attended official dinner in RAF College Mess and carried out inspection of all sections of the unit on 13/11/43
20/11/43	Unit Appointments			Gas Defence - Fg Off Crowther Entertainments - Flt Lt W Pilcher Salvage - WO WS Carpenter Snow Plan - Flt Lt K Greenwood Security-Pupils - Sqn Ldr WS Calder Security-Airmen - Flt Lt W Pilcher Divisional Scheme - Sqn Ldr HB Harries Aircrew Liaison Officer - Flt Lt F Davies
23/11/43	No 2 (T) Course			14 Turkish officers accompanied by Capt Berekin and Instructors and ground personnel of C Flt detached to Dumfries for Advanced Air Gunnery Instruction
25/11/43	EF Postlethwaite	LAC	Pupil pilot of 50 Course	KOAS an error of flying judgement
27/11/43	RDH Singh	Sqn Ldr	Indian RAF officer	Visited the unit to obtain a picture of armament training activities
30/11/43	Refresher Course			Numbers completed during November 28 Numbers commenced training during November 22 Numbers remaining under training during November 34
5/12/43	F Bedford	LAC	Pupil Pilot 49 Course	KOAS whilst making an emergency landing at RAF Syerston

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6/12/43	PJ Halford	Sqn Ldr	OC 1 Sqn (Designate)	Posted to take command vice Sqn Ldr EH Irving posted overseas
16/12/43	No 4 Conversion Course			Attachments from 12 (P) AFU comprising 5 RAF and 1 South African officer, 3 RAF airmen commenced training
19/12/43	No 2 (T) Course			22 Turkish officers completed training and proceeded to Turkish Embassy no longer attached to the RAF
22/11/43	No 49 Course			2 RAF, 1 Czech and 6 Turkish officers and 2 Canadian, 1 RNZAF and 37 RAF airmen completed training and proceeded on leave pending posting. The Turkish officers will return from leave for Advanced Training <i>TE Intake 43 TE Output 40 5178.15 flying hrs SE Intake 29 SE Output 20 3583.25 flying hrs Both Avg Standards</i>
22/11/43	No 51 Course			4 RAF officers and 6 Belgian, 1 Free French, 1 Dutch, 1 Norwegian and 52 RAF airmen arrived for flying training
27-28/11/43	Jorge Jordan	Lt Col	Bolivian Air Mission	And Lt Col Antonio Rivera and Maj Rodolfo Garcia Agreda visited the unit to obtain a picture of the activities of a SFTS
29/11/43	Hamlet de Azambrya Estrella	Capt	Brazilian Air Mission	And Capt Henrique Anaral Penna followed up their earlier visit this month with a five day visit to obtain a comprehensive understanding of the unit's activities
29/11/43	No 3 (T) Course			6 Turkish officers (ex-49 Course) and 1 Turkish officer (ex-2 (T) Course) reported after leave to commence Advanced Flying Training Course

Date	Name	Rank	Role	Detail from ORB
31/12/43	Refresher Course			Numbers completed during December 15 Numbers commenced training during December 16 Numbers remaining under training during December 31

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Date	Name	Rank	Role	Detail from ORB
3/1/44	PROPOSED MOVE			LETTER RECEIVED (SHQ/S/442) INTIMATING MOVE OF ALL SFTS OFFICERS AND PUPILS FROM THE COLLEGE TO BRISTOL WOOD OFFICERS' MESS TO ACCOMMODATE JUNIOR FOUNDERS' SCHOOL. PROPOSALS HAD PROVISIONAL APPROVAL FROM THE AIR MINISTRY BUT NO DEFINITE DATE WAS STIPULATED
10/1/44	K Gulceken	Lt	Turkish pupil 3 (T) Course SFTS 48	KOAS crashing in Spitfire P9490 near Desborough, Northants. Funeral and Internment held on 12/1/44 at Woking and Brookwood Cemetery, Ft Its Bailey and Gavan and six Turkish officers attending
13/1/44	No 4 (T) Course			19 RAF, 1 Canadian and 1 RNZAF officer, 1 RAF WO completed training and proceeded on leave pending posting
17/1/44	No 5 (T) Course			19 RAF and 2 Canadian officers and 5 airmen arrived for flying training, proceeding to Caistor on 18/1/44
29/1/44	R Trewhitt	LAC	Pupil pilot of 50 Course	KOAS in Miles Master DL 192 in the local area
31/1/44	Refresher Course			Numbers completed during January 23 Numbers commenced training during January 21 Numbers remaining under training during January 24
2/2/44	No 3 (T) Course			Three TE pupils proceeded to Dumfries 10 (0) AFU for air gunnery training, returning 18/2/44
3/2/44	SFTS MOVE			Following proposal received 3/1/44, the move has been scheduled for 22/2/44
8-9/2/44	Chinese Military Mission			Visited the unit and a programme was prepared.

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11/2/44	SFTS MOVE			Letter S1056/Org forwarded to HQ 21 Gp suggesting a name change on moving to Bristol Wood - Combined SFTS; (Home) SFTS; Service and Advanced SFTS; or RAF SFTS
14/2/44	K Greenwood	Flt Lt	OC D Flt (Retiring)	Posed 10 140 Wg (Operational), Flt Lt ER Whincup assuming command of D Flt
15/2/44	No 5 Conversion Course			3 RAF and 2 South African officers and 4 RAF Sgts completed training and proceeded to 12 (P) AFU
18/2/44	No 6 Conversion Course			12 RAF officers and 9 RAF Sgts commenced training
23/2/44	No 3 (T) Course			5 of the 6 Turkish pupils proceeded to ACRC on attachment pending cessation of duty with the RAF on 25/1/44. One, Lt I Yagiz remained to complete flying hrs lost whilst sick.
23/2/44	HW Horsley	Flt Lt		Posted to 15 (P) AFU (prior operations)
23/2/44	FL Bowes	Fg Off	Dep OC H Flt	Assumed command of the Flt
23/2/44	GA Vose	LAC	Pupil pilot 50 Course	KOAS
28/2/44	Refresher Course			Numbers completed during February 16 Numbers commenced training during February 21 Numbers remaining under training during February 26
2/3/44	RA Peglar	Flt Lt		Posted to OTU for Operational training. Flt Lt P Sleight assumed command of the Beam Flt
3-8/3/44	SFTS MOVE			MOVE COMMENCED, BRISTOL WOOD MESS INAUGURATED FOR COLLEGE SFTSOFFICERS. PUPILS TRANSFERRED TO BLOCK 79 VACATED BY SERVICING WG AIRMEN. A MESS IN THE NEW INSTITUTE WAS ALLOCATED TO THEM.

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7/3/44	AC Banwell	Flt Lt	OC "F" Flt	Posted to OTU for Operational training. Fg Off Howell assumed command of "F" Flt
8/3/44	GF Powell	Sqn Ldr		Posted supernumerary CGI duties
9/3/44	BM Kaplansky	Fg Off	Canadian Dep OC "B" Flt	Posted to OTU for Operational training. Also Fg Off GP Hetherwick (Instructor) from Caistor
11/3/44	DJ Nelson	AC2		Fatally injured in MT accident on the South Airfield, driving a tractor bowser.
13/3/44	SFTS MOVE			LETTER FROM FTC S.60400/40/ORGL/91590 DATED 11/5/44 OFFICIALLY RENAMING COLLEGE SFTS "NO 17 SFTS" WEF 20/3/44
17/3/44	GF Powell	Sqn Ldr		Posted to CGI and Sqn Ldr Calder made supernumerary
23/3/44	P Sleight	Flt Lt		Posted to Ops. Fg Off ARG Jackson assumes command of Beam Flt
24/3/44	Wellingore			21 Gp suggest Wellingore be used for DAY/NIGHT flying (21G/1444/8)/rg dated 23/5/44)
24/3/44	Smith	Wg Cdr	HQ FTC	Visited unit to discuss the establishment
31/3/44	Wellingore			Granted as a satellite to RAF Cranwell for 17 SFTS DAY/NIGHT flying (FTC/60400/40/Org.181)
31/3/44	No 6 Conversion Course			Completed training and returned to 12 (P) AFU
31/3/44	Refresher Course			Numbers completed during March 12 Numbers commenced training during March 10 Numbers remaining under training during March 20
5/4/44	NO 5 Short Course			2 RCAF and 19RAF officers and 5 RAF airmen completed training and proceeded on leave pending posting

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6/4/44	NO 6 Short Course			17 RAF and 1 RCAF officer and RAF airmen arrive for flying training
10/4/44	No 50 Course			Presentation of Wings and Passing Out reviewed by AVM HV Champion de Crespigny AOC 21 Gp; course formally completed on 12/4/44 (4 RAF, 1 Turkish, 1 French, 1 RAAF, 1 RNZAF and 1 RNorAF officers, and 1 French, 2 Belgian, 1 Egyptian, 1 Dutch and 39 RAF airmen)
11/4/44	1 GST Course			For officers and aircrew NCOs commenced
12/4/44	No 52 Course			55 Turkish officers and 1 French and 7 RAFairmen arrived for flying training
14/4/44	SFTS Move			Instructions from Stn Cdr in letter SHQ/S/458 dated 13/4/44 to vacate North Airfield and move 17 SFTS Flts to South Aerodrome
25/4/44	Wellingore			Letter received from RAF Cranwell SHQ/S/458 dated 24/4/44 advising the airfield at Wellingore available for flying for 17 SFTS from 25/4/44 as an RLG
30/4/44	Refresher Course			Numbers completed during April 16 Numbers commenced training during April 17 Numbers remaining under training during April 39
2/5/44	Elcoat	Flt Sgt	Pilot	KOAS Reported missing in Blenheim K7125 having taken off to practice circuits and landings but failed to return
5/5/44	No 51 Course			Presentation of Wings by OC 17 SFTS to Sqn Ldrs Alabaster and Lawson, pupil officers, who completed an abridged course. Both posted to operational units
5/5/44	Vanters	Air Cdre	Insp Gen of Belgian AF	Accompanied by Col Triest, Dir Gen of Belgian Ministry of National Defence, inspected flights of 17 SFTS

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8/5/44	No 4 GST Course			For officers and aircrew NCOs commenced and terminates on 13/5/44
11/5/44	Bates	Sqn Ldr	Engineer Branch Staff HQ FTC	Visited unit
15/5/44	No 5 GST Course			For officers and aircrew NCOs commenced and terminates on 20/5/44
19/5/44	Divvana	Capt	Turkish Air Attache	Accompanied by Capt Orga and escorted by Wg Cdr Crowdon (FLO) visited the unit to discuss the progress of Turkish officers currently under training
21/5/44	Greystoke	Fg Off	17 SFTS Staff Navigator	DOAS - Seriously ill in RAFH Halton and died of natural causes on 23/5/44. Fg Off Shaw, Staff Nav, attended funeral
22/5/44	No 6 GST Course			For officers and aircrew NCOs commenced and terminates on 27/5/44
29/5/44	No 7 GST Course			For officers and aircrew NCOs commenced and terminates on 3/6/44
31/5/44	Salter	Flt Lt	Turkish Liaison Officer from Air Ministry	Attached to 17 SFTS for 14 days
30/5/44	Refresher Course			Numbers completed during May 17 Numbers commenced training during May 20 Numbers remaining under training during May 36
5/7/44	No 53 Course			4 RAF, 3 Persian and 4 Iraqi officers and 2 FAA, 3 Czech, 1 RNZAF, 1 Indian, 1 Free French and 34 RAF airmen arrived for flying training
6-7/7/44	JC Lunn	Wg Cdr	Dir Accident Prevention	Visited unit

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7/7/44	GT Brown	Sqn Ldr	OC Repair & Inspection Sqn	Posted to 6 (P) AFU, and Flt LtFH Davies posted in from that unit as a direct replacement to assume command of R&I Sqn
11/7/45	WEG Bryant	Air Cdre		And Commanding Officer Gp Capt Ryder Young visited Caistor satellite
12/7/44	No 3 Refresher Course			7 RAF and 1 Belgian officer, 1 Polish and 7 RAF airmen commenced refresher training
12/7/44	No 1 Refresher Course			7 RAF, 1 Czech, 1 Belgian officer and 5 RAF airmen completed training at Caistor and proceeded on leave pending posting. 2 officers and 2 airmen were retained with No 3 Course for further training
12/7/44	Ryder Young	Gp Capt	OC 17 SFTS	Nominated President of GCM assembled at RAF Sealand
14/7/44	Philip Babington	AM Sir	AOC-in-C FTC	Visited unit
19/7/44	"F" and "H" Flts			Pupils, ground crews, instructors moved to RLG Wellingore where they were accommodated, Sqn Ldr HB Harries being placed in command as Detachment Commander under KR and ACI para 1139
26/7/44	No 2 Refresher Course			6 RAF officers and 7 RAF airmen completed training and proceeded on leave pending posting. 5 officers and 2 airmen were retained for further training with Not 3 and 4 Courses
26/7/44	No 4 Refresher Course			14 RAF, 2 RNZAF, 1 RAAF and 1 Belgian officer and 3 RAF airmen arrived for training
27/7/44	J Weston	Mr	Civilian	KFA. Lt A Razzaq (Iraq) made a poor take off and the aircraft crashed, striking Mr Weston. Razzaq was admitted to RAFH Rauceby with concussion
4/8/44	M Gorez	Lt	Turkish	KOAS in a Miles Master near Wiltby. Interned at Brookwood Cemetery

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10/8/44	Ansari	Maj	Iraqi Air Attache	Visited unit to observe progress of Iraqi officers on No 53 Course
16/8/44	LH Snelling	Gp Capt	British Air Liaison Mission, South Africa	Visited unit on tour of FTC
18/8/44	Friesen	Wg Cdr	RCAF	Visited unit on tour of FTC, accompanied by Flt Lt Diminock, TFI Air Ministry
22-23/8/44	Ryder Young	Gp Capt	OC 17 SFTS	Attended 21 Gp conference at Montrose till 23/8/44
23/8/44	No 3 Refresher Course			10 RAF, 1 RNZAF, 1 Belgian and 1 Dutch officer, and 1 RNZAF and 5 RAF NCOs arrived for flying training
27/8/44	KD Ward	WO		KOAS: attached from Transport Command for a Refresher Course killed near Caistor.
30/8/44	JO Andrews	AVM	AOA FTC	Visited unit
5/9/44	No 4 Refresher Course			At Caistor terminated
6/9/44	No 6 Refresher Course			At Caistor commenced
9/9/44	Hart	Gp Capt	Cmd Ed O	Visited unit in connection with ground instruction
11/9/44	Lawrence	Wg Cdr	Cmf Eng O	Visited unit
12/9/44	ER Ludlow Hewitt	ACM Sir (Edgar)	Insp Gen	Visited station
19/9/44	HQ Offices			Moved to new offices in Hangar 30, with Fly Wg HQ in the same building and Servicing Wg in the next hangaring, resulting a more compact arrangement. Old HQ building handed over to SHQ
24/9/44	Ang F	Lt	Turkish pupil pilot SFTS 52	KOAS in Miles Master carrying out night flying exercises
26/9/44	Lillywhite	Sqn Ldr	Cranwell Eng O	Visited unit

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27/9/44	DM Griggs	Sqn Off	21 Gp WAAF Staff O	Visited unit and Wellingore to discuss potential for attaching WAAF personnel at Wellingore
30/9/44	No 52 Course			“Highly Creditable” exam results released
2/10/44	2 FIS			Visited to recategorise staff pilots and to check standards of instruction
4/10/44	Sigs Off		21 Gp and FTC Sigs Off	Visited unit
9/10/44	“E” and “H” Flt Aircraft			“E” Flt Masters and Havards moved from Cranwell to Wellingore. “H” Flt Oxfords moved from Wellingore to Cranwell (suitability, and cover in inclement weather)
10/10/44	No 6 Refresher Course			Terminated
11/10/44	H Aka	Col	HE Turkish Ambassador	And Acting Air Attache Capt T Orga and Wg Cdr WEM Crowdon arrived from London and AVM HV Champion de Crespigny from 21 Gp for presentation of Wings and Passing Out Parade of No 52 Course
12/10/44	No 54 Course			28 Turks, 6 Persians, 1 Belgian, 1 Dutch and 4 British officers and 17 other ranks commenced flying training
18/10/44	No 5 (T) Course (sic)			Commenced
25/10/44	Donmez	Lt	Turkish	KOAS in Spitfire
27/10/45	HM Balfour	Capt Rt Hon	PUS Air	Visited the station
1/11/44	Key	Sqn Ldr	Gp Ed O	Visited unit
1/11/44	No 9 Refresher Course			Commenced at Caistor
2/11/44	Devereaux	Sqn Ldr	Cmd Nav O	Visited unit
4-5/11/44	Nakhchevan	Gen	Chf Iranian AF	Accompanied by Col Bayender Iranian Air Attache visited Iranian pupils on Not 53 and 54 Courses
10/11/44	Toros	Lt	Turkish pupil No 5 (T)	KOAS in a spitfire

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12/11/44	No 8 Refresher Course			Terminated at Caistor
12/11/44	Caistor Flts			Two flts moved to Coleby Grange, the latter now taken over by TTC
14/11/44	Growden	Wg Cdr	Air Ministry DAFL	And Sqn Ldr Green visited unit in connection with Turkish pupils
15/11/44	No 10 Refresher Course			Commenced at Coleby Grange
15/11/44	Mehre	Capt	Royal Norwegian Air HQ	Visited unit to study ground instruction
18/11/44	C Baildon	LAC		Suicide (bus accident in Lincoln)
19/11/44	ML Gill	Sgt	Clk/GD	DOAS in RAFH Rauceby from sudden illness which developed into pneumonia
21/11/44	No 5 (T) Course (sic)			Spitfire Flt moved to Castle Kennedy for 3 weeks
22/11/44	S Charnock	LAC	Elec II	Attempted suicide - gun shot wounds (Matlock)
4/12/44	PRM Drummond	AM Sir (Peter)	Air Member Trg	Visited unit
5/12/44	No 9 Refresher Course			Terminated at Coleby Grange
6/12/44	Wilson	Sqn Ldr	Org 2 21 Gp	Visited unit
6/12/44	No 11 Refresher Course			Commenced at Coleby Grange
7/12/44	LC Barling	Gp Capt	SASO 21 Gp	Visited unit
13/12/44	Evans	Sqn Ldr	21 Gp Sigs Off	Visited unit
13/12/44	Jeary	Sqn Ldr	HQ FTC AFT	Visited unit
14/12/44	Officer	Sqn Ldr	21 Gp Grd Trg Adv Off	Visited unit
15/12/44	Key	Sqn Ldr	Gp Ed O	Visited unit
17/12/44	Joel	Wg Cdr	HQ 38 Gp	Visited unit

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19/12/44	No 10 Refresher Course			Terminated at Coleby Grange
20/12/44	No 12 Refresher Course			Terminated (sic) (more likely commenced) at Coleby Grange
23/12/44	JW Bell	Fg Off	Unit Test Pilot	Baled out of Spitfire over Blackburn, slightly injured

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2-3/2/45	HW Heslop	Air Cdre	HQ FTC	Eng inspection
5-6/2/45	T Diesen	Cdr	RNorAF	And Capt O Opsahl visited unit to study training methods
6/2/45	No 12 Refresher Course			Terminated at Coleby Grange
7/2/45	No 14 Refresher Course			Commenced at Coleby Grange
18/2/45	MH Brouard	Flt Lt	CLTS Travelling Examining Flt	And Plt Off CEC Wood attached to unit
19/2/45	Hasluck	Mr	Regional Ed Committee Lincoln	Lecture on local government
21/2/45	Growdon	Wg Cdr	DAFL Air Ministry	And Maj S Ansari Iraqi Air Attache visited unit (Discipline Iraqi pupils)
22/2/45	Wang	Capt	Asst Chinese Air Attache	And Flt Lt Peel Air Ministry visited unit
23/2/45	No 13 Refresher Course			Terminated
26/2/45	Whoo	Lt Col	Chinese AF	And Maj Lu attached to unit to study training and to be given flying practice
28/2/45	No 15 Refresher Course			Commenced
13/3/45	No 14 Refresher Course			Terminated
14/3/45	Gonzales	Gp Capt	Chilian Air Attache	Visited unit to study training methods
14/3/45	No 16 Refresher Course			Commenced
16/3/45	Hecksher	Col	Brazilian Air Attache	Visited unit to study training methods
21/3/45	Whoo	Lt Col	Chinese AF	And Maj Lu left for 2 FIS Montrose
21/3/45	Hickman	Wg Cdr	Eng Staff Off FTC	Visited unit
23/3/45	Aka	Col	Turkish Military Attache	And Capt Orga Asst Turkish Air Attache and Flt Lt Dickinson DAFL visited unit to meet u/t Turkish Officers
3/4/45	No 15 Refresher Course			Terminated
4/4/45	No 17 Refresher Course			Commenced
9/4/45	No 54 Course			Passed out with Wings Presentation by AVM HV Champion de Crespigny, HE the Turkish Ambassador, Col Aka Turkish Military Attache and Flt Lt Fairfax-Jones DAFL
10/4/45	De Vitrolles	Gen de Brigade	French Mission	And Lt Col Sourquet, Capt des Ignardo, Wg Cdr de Laszo, and Air Cdre Chamberlain and Sqn Ldr Green from AirMinistry visited to study training
11/4/45	No 56 Course			Pupils arrived
13/4/45	Hardy	Air Cdre	Cmdt Adv Trg	Funeral
17/4/45	No 18 Refresher Course			Commenced
17/4/45	No 16 Refresher Course			Terminated
17-18/4/45	KF Schye	2nf Lt	RNorAF	And 2nd Lts R Isakson, B Andersen, and SGts HP Flaaten, J Thorsen and S Knutsen visited to study training procedure
18/4/45	GCM (Low Flying)			Fg Off AR Botherstone Refresher pupil at Coleby Grange. Pres Gp Capt JH Butler RAF Catterick; Members Wg Cdr CD Stanner Spitalgate, Wg Cdr CMC Woodroffe RAF Hucknall, Sqn Ldr JD Omissi Tern Hill, Sqn Ldr B Rufnell RAF Peterborough. Judge Adv Sqn Ldr HJ Casey. Def Off Sqn Ldr GF Powerll (sic)
1/5/45	UNIT MOVE			17 SFTS LEFT CRANWELL AND MOVED TO SPITALGATE