

# The Flying Log of Sgt. G. L. Trafford RAF

Covering flights made with 614 Squadron RAF and 214 Squadron RAF.

September 1944 to August 1945

614 Squadron						Time carried forward	
						49•40	34•00
Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times	
						Day	Night
11•9•44	20•00	Liberator KG.952 "W"	W/O Bryant	A/G	Ex.13 X COUNTRY		5•45
13•9•44	09•30	Liberator KG.951 "Z"	W/O Bryant	A/G	RADAR BOMBING.	3•35	
14•9•44	06•00	Halifax JP186 "G"	W/O Bryant	A/G	Ferry. AMENDOLA to M.BLANCHE	4•20	
15•9•44	09•00	Liberator KG.957	W/O Bryant	A/G	Ferry. M.BLANCHE to AMENDOLA	4•50	
21•9•44	09•50	Halifax JN892	W/O Bryant	A/G	Ferry. AMENDOLA to M.BLANCHE	4•30	
24•9•44	10•00	Liberator KG.944	W/O Bryant	A/G	Ferry. M.BLANCHE to BIZERTE	3•07	
24•9•44	13•00	Liberator KG.944	W/O Bryant	A/G	Ferry. BIZERTE to CELLONE	2•28	
28•9•44	10•20	Liberator KG.957	W/O Bryant	A/G	AIR TEST	1•15	
					DAY HOURS - 23•05 mins NIGHT HOURS - 5•45 mins TOTAL HOURS - 28•50 mins		
					Signed ( <i>E B R Lockwood</i> ) o/c A. FLT.	Total Time	74•45 39•45

614 Squadron

Time carried forward

74•45	39•45
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Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times	
						Day	Night
13•10•44	10•00	Liberator "A" KG945	W/O Bryant	A/G	AIR TEST	00•50	
13•10•44	17•00	Liberator "A" KG945	W/O Bryant	A/G	OPS. MARSHALLING YDS. SZEKESFEHERVAR – HUNGARY B1		5•15
16•10•44	10•45	Liberator "B" KG957	W/O Bryant	A/G	AIR TEST	00•45	
17•10•44	17•27	Liberator "B" KG957	W/O Bryant	A/G	OPS.MARSHALLING YDS. VINKOVCI.YUGOSLAVIA B1		4•15
21•10•44	16•34	Liberator "B" KG957	W/O Bryant	A/G	OPS.MARSHALLING YDS. MARIBOR.YUGOSLAVIA B1		5•10
23•10•44	10•20	Liberator "Z" KG151	W/O Bryant	A/G	PRACTICE. BOMBING RUNS FOGGIA	2•40	
					OPERATIONAL HOURS – 14hrs 40mins Total for OCTOBER – 18hrs 55 mins. Signed (E B R Lockwood) S/L o/c A FLIGHT		
	.				Total Time	79•00	84•30

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Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times		
						Day	Night	
1/11/44		Liberator KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. LATISANA BRIDGE	3•25	4•30	
4/11/44		LIB. KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. SARAJEVO M. Yds.		2•55	
8/11/44		LIB. KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. MILVACHA BRIDGE			
10/11/44		LIB. KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. LATISANA BRIDGE		4•40	
16/11/44		LIB. KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. FIGAROLA PONTOON BRIDGE		4•20	
17/11/44		LIB. KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. UDINE A/O		4•55	
19/11/44		LIB. KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. PODORICA.		2•50	
					OPERATIONAL HOURS. 27•35mins TOTAL FOR NOVEMBER. 27•35mins Signed (E B R Lockwood) S/L OC A FLIGHT.		.	
Total Time						82•25	108•40	

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Time carried forward

82•25

108•40

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times	
						Day	Night
3/12/44	12•50	Lib KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. BIOCHE. MT BOMBER	3•05	
11/12/44	16•35	Lib KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. Supply Drop on TOFFEE VM.		3•10
16/12/44	12•40	Lib KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. MATESEVO. MT. BOMBER	3•50	
18/12/44	13•30	Lib KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. BIOCE – KOLASIN. MT. BOMBER	4•00	
19/12/44	15•20	Lib KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. SARAJEVO. M/YDS B1		3•10
26/12/44	14•50	Lib KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. CARSARSA B1		4•35
28/12/44	14•35	Lib KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. CARSARSA B1		5•10
			Summary of 614 Sqdn		OPERATIONAL HOURS 27.00hrs TOTAL FOR DECEM 27.00hrs Signed ( <i>E B R Lockwood</i> ) S/L O.C. A Flight		
Total Time						93•20	124•45

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Time carried forward

93•20

124•45

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times	
						Day	Night
4•1•45	1455	KG951	W/O Bryant	A/G	OPS LATISANA BRIDGE ITALY		4•10
	•		Summary of 614 Sqdn		OPERATIONAL HOURS 4•10 TOTAL FOR JANUARY 4•10 SIGNED ( <i>E B R Lockwood</i> ) W/C. O.C. A.FLT.		
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Total Time						93•20	128•55

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Time carried forward

93•20    128•55

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times	
						Day	Night
1/2/45	13•00	KG947	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. DAYLIGHT. POLA NAVAL AMMO DUMP. Bom	3•10	
2/2/45	11•55	KG945	W/O Bryant	"	OPS. DAYLIGHT. Supply Drop. FLOTSAM. YUGO.	4•10	
3/2/45	12•05	KG957	W/O Bryant	"	OPS. DAYLIGHT. Supply Drop. FLOTSAM. YUGO.	3•35	
8/2/45	16•37	KG957	W/O Bryant	"	OPS. VERONA M/YDS. N. ITALY. 'B1'		4•35
13/2/45	16•26	KG957	W/O Bryant	"	OPS. GRAZ. M/YDS. S. AUSTRIA 'B1'		5•00
20/2/45	16•50	KH237	W/O Bryant	"	OPS. UDINE M/YDS. N. ITALY 'B1'		4•45
23/2/45	16•00	KG957	W/O Bryant	"	OPS. VERONA M/YDS. N. ITALY. 'B1'		4•50
27/2/45	17•35	KH327	W/O Bryant	"	OPS. VERONA M/YDS. " 'B1'		4•50
		SUMMARY FOR FEBRUARY UNIT: 614 SQDN. DATE 1/3/45 SIG (G L Trafford)		<u>LIBERATOR</u>	<u>TOTAL HOURS</u> Signed O.C. 'A' FLT W/COM.	10•55	24•00
Total Time						104•15	152•55

## 614 Squadron

Time carried forward

104•15

152•55

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times	
						Day	Night
3•3•45	21•10	KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. POLA. DOCKYARDS BI		3•40
4•3•45		KH369	W/O Bryant	AG	AIR-TEST & AIR FIRING	1•00	
5•3•45	19•15	KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. GRAZ M/YDS S. AUSTRIA V.M.		6•20
7•3•45	17•00	KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. GEMONA M/YDS. N. ITALY B.I.		5•05
11•3•45	16•20	KG949	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. VERONA (E) M/YDS N. ITALY BI.		4•50
12•3•45	17•00	KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. PADUA M/YDS N. ITALY BI		4•15
19•3•45	18•25	KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. BRUCK M/YDS AUSTRIA BI.		5•20
21•3•45	17•35	KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. NOVSKA M/YDS YUGO. BI		3•50
23•3•45	17•00	KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. ST.VEIT M/YDS AUSTRIA BI		4•35
25•3•45	17•30	KG947	W/O Bryant	AG	OPS. VILLACH M/YDS AUSTRIA BI		4•40
Total Time						105•15	197•55

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Time carried forward

105•15

197•55

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times	
						Day	Night
29•3•45			W/O Bryant	AG	AIR TEST. AIR FIRING.	40	44•35
		SUMMARY FOR MARCH UNIT 614 DATE 1/4/45 Signed (G L Trafford)		LIBERATOR	<u>Total hours</u> Signed OC 'A' FLT (E P Landon) F/Lt W/CMD	1•40 • • •	44•35 • • •
Total Time						105•55	197•55

614 Squadron

Time carried forward

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times	
						Day	Night
1•4•45	1350	KH327	W/O Bryant	AG	ARSA COAL WHARF. NE ITALY. VM	3•30	
3•4•45	1850	KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	NOVSKA M/YDS. YUGO. BI		
8•4•45	1905	KG957	W/O Bryant	AG	TRENYO M/YDS. ITALY BI		
10•4•45	1805	KG953	W/O Bryant	AG	INNSBRUCK M/YDS. AUSTRIA BI		
19•4•45	1920	KG953	W/O Gardner	AG	MALALBERGO TOWN ITALY V.M.		
SUMMARY FOR <u>FIRST TOUR 1945</u> UNIT <u>614 Sqdn</u> DATE <u>20•4•45</u> AIRCRAFT - <u>LIBERATOR</u> Signature <u>(G.L. Trafford)</u>						3•30	18•35
OPS 5 BOMBER - 14.hrs 20. " 29 B.I. - 135.hrs 40. " 4 V.M. - 17. hrs 15. " 2 S.DROP - 7. hrs 45.						=	175•00
TOTAL NO. OF OPPTS 40 SIGNED O.C. 614 SQDN.							
Total Time							

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Time carried forward

109•25 216•30

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times	
						Day	Night
20•4•45	1910	KG957	W/O GARDNER	AG.	VERONA – PARONA R.R. BRIDGE VM	3•30	5•05
23•4•45	1855	KG957	W/O DAVISON	A.G.	VERONA – PARONA R.R. BRIDGE V.M.		4•51
25/4/45	1840	KG957	W/O GARDNER	A/G	FREILASSING M/Yds. VM.		6•00
SUMMARY FOR APRIL UNIT 614 SQDN Date 1•5•45 Sig (G.L. Trafford)							Total hours.
Total Time						109•25	232•26

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Time carried forward

109•25    232•26

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times	
						Day	Night
8•5•45	1245	LIB KG951 A	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	BASE to VILLAORBA. SUPPLIES	02•30	
8•5•45	1655	LIB KG951 A	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	VILLAORBA to BASE. EMPTY	01•45	
10•5•45	1525	LIB KG957 B	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	BASE to LAVORIANO. SUPPLIES	02•00	
10•5•45	1850	LIB KG957 B	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	LAVORIANO to BASE EMPTY	01•50	
13•5•45	0725	LIB KH227 F	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	BASE to LAVORIANO. SUPPLIES	01•50	
13•5•45	1025	LIB KH227 F	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	LAVORIANO to BASE EMPTY	01•55	
18•5•45	1430	LIB KH227 (F)	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	BASE to AVIANO. SUPPLIES	02•10	
18•5•45	1750	LIB KH227 (F)	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	AVIANO to BASE. SUPPLIES	01•55	
22•5•45	1225	LIB KG953 'J'	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	BASE to AVIANO PETROL.	02•00	
22•5•45	1500	LIB KG953 'J'	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	AVIANO TO FOGGIA MAIN (DIVERSION)	1•55	
Total Time						129•15	232•26

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Time carried forward

129•15    232•26

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times	
						Day	Night
26•5•45	0850	LIB KG953 'J'	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	BASE to AVIANO. Supplies. RECALLED to BASE.	01•30	•
		SUMMARY FOR:- MAY 1945				•	•
		DATE:- 31.5.45			AIRCRAFT – LIBERATOR	•	•
		UNIT 614 SQDN			Total hrs for May:-	21•20	•
		Sig (G.L. Trafford)			SIGNED (E P Landon) S/Ldr. O/C. "A" FLIGHT	•	•
Total Time						130•45	232•26



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Time carried forward

130•45 232•26

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times	
						Day	Night
2•6•45	KH235	LIB VIII	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	AMENDOLA TO POMIGLIANO	•40	
2•6•45	10•30	LIB KH235	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	POMIGLIANO TO HOLMESLEY SOUTH	6•40	
3•6•45	1105	LIB KH235	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	HOLMESLY SOUTH TO POMIGLIANO	6•30	
15•6•45	1030	LIB KH229 "H"	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	AIR TEST	•40	
18•6•45	0900	LIB KG951	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	X-COUNTRY & H2X RUNS ON NAPLES	3•45	
20•6•45	0710	LIB KH227 F	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	H2X RUNS ON FOGGIA – AIR SEA FIRING	3•00	
22•6•45	0700	LIB KG947	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	PRACTICE BOMBING & PHOTOGRAPHY	3•00	
26•6•45	0705	KG953 J	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	AMENDOLA TO CAIRO WEST. 25 S.A.A.	6•40	
27•6•45	1055	LIB KG953	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	CAIRO WEST TO HELIOPOLIS	•15	
27•6•45	1655	LIB KG953	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	HELIOPLIS TO AMENDOLA. EMPTY	3•45	3•00
Total Time							

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Time carried forward

166•35    235•26

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times	
						Day	Night
28•6•45	1028	LIB "R"	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	AMENDOLA TO CIAMPINO. 20 EVT PERS.	1•25	
29•6•45	1105	LIB "R"	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	CIAMPINO TO AMENDOLA. 23. EVT. PERS.	1•00	
		SUMMARY FOR:- JUNE 1945 Date:- 30•6•45 UNIT 614 SQUADRON C17F SIGNATURE (G.L. Trafford) Sgt. AIRCRAFT TYPE LIB. VIII		TOTAL HOURS FOR MONTH 41.10 TOTAL HOURS DAY. 38.10 TOTAL HOURS NIGHT. 3.00  Signed (E P Landon) S/Ldr. O/C "A" FLIGHT			
Total Time						168•55	235•31

214 Sqd<sup>1</sup> July & August

Time carried forward

166•35    235•26

Date	Hour	Aircraft Type and No.	Pilot	Duty	Remarks	Flying Times	
						Day	Night
30•7•45	KG944	Lib VIII	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	BULLSEYE (VM)		4•40•
5•8•45	KH236	Lib VIII	W/O GARDNER	A. HOST	AMENDOLA TO GLATTON. 25 PASSENGERS	7•20	
15•8•45	KH232	Lib VIII	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	3 CIRCUITS	1•00	
16•8•45	KH232	Lib VIII	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	GLATTON (UK) to AMENDOLA	6•10	
21•8•45	KH229	Lib VIII	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	AIR-TEST	•50	
22•8•45	KH375	Lib VIII	W/O GARDNER	A/G.	CIRCUITS & LANDINGS		1•00
		SUMMARY FOR AUGUST 1945 UNIT 214 SQUADRON RAF. TYPE OF AIRCRAFT LIB VIII SIGNATURE ( <i>G.L. Trafford</i> )		TOTAL HOURS FOR MONTH    21•00 HRS TOTAL HOURS DAY.            15•20 TOTAL HOURS NIGHT.        5•40  Signed ( <i>E. P. Landon.</i> ) OC "A" FLIGHT		• • • • •	• • • • •
Total Time						184•15	241•16

<sup>1</sup> 614 Squadron was renumbered 214 Squadron in July, 1945, after the original 214 Squadron was disbanded in England.  
Sgt. Trafford