

Sept. 17, 1944 - Sunday

0037 Night flying ends - Pundit recalled - Div. notified

0225 Ops. breakfast

0230 Attended briefing - data follows.

R/W 24 for T.O. Wind to be W-12-20 M.P.H. - 36%

SE - 0547 - YY Q.F.F. 30.27

TAXY 0602 - RY E.T.A. Approx. 1120

T.O. 0612 - GG Ground Spares

L.T.O. 0700 - 368 - 598 - (423) - Clover disp.

369 - 198 - 33

423 - 963 - Beside Clover disp.

0355 Made necessary calls for ops. T.O. all to be stationed by 0545

0530 No change in Maspuada.

0626 While sitting on R/W 24 waiting for T.O.

at 454 B (368), piloted by Lt. Risk, brakes failed causing him to collide with 943 L (368) piloted by Lt. Edwards. Considerable damage was done to both %.

The tail-tail fin, elevator, left wing of 943 are ruined - 454 has right wing a/c # 4 engine destroyed

Crash crew standing by for leaking fuel Ordnance & div. notified. No trucks driving fuel

- 0640 Field Closed T.F.N until 9c and wreckage
can be removed. Left A.A.I. is destroyed.
- 0700 Div. notified that we will have to
delay T.O. of Cycle Relay and that
field is closed until we clear wreckage.
- 0730 On duty Lt. Sibley
- 0845 Relay ship scrubbed per Col Wager.
- 0848 Division gives us Woodbridge for a
diversion station.
- 0930 ETA - 1149
- 0931 Yellow to ops & Division
- 1000 Green to ops & Division
- 1122 A/C 2099 367th Lt. Beeris landed at Levenham
A/C damaged by flak, not flyable west
gunner slightly injured. Bombed
primary.
- 11 Last ops A/C landed.
- 1545 There will be night flying 3 transition
3 x C's short, the 369th is not flying
- 1 Pilots to tower for briefing at 1930
- 1615 A/C 46, 466 landed assigned to the 368th.
will be parked in 44.
- 1700 A/C 029-C-47 signalled to us from Weston
~~has not~~ at 1323 & has not arrived. Weston
was called they suggested we call Weston,
this was done, they knew nothing. 1 B.O notified.
- 1740 1 B.O notifies us that C-47, 027 left Waddingford
and was never supposed to land here.
- 18:00 Lt. Klein on duty.
- 19:00 notified to be stand by airfield for R.A.F.
- 21:00 Checked airfield for lighting. Alon & serviced
Red glims on obstructions.
- 22:30 Stood down, per operations. ~~Open~~ Practice
missions tomorrow, approx. 13:00
- 23:53 Last night flying aircraft down.
- 24:00 Crash crew dismissed.