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Ship Yards in Gulf of GENOA

Mission No. 59

7 June 1944

FIELD ORDER NO. 64

BRIEFING OUTLINE

1. No. of A/C on Mission..... 40
2. Group Leader..... Major LANGFORD.
3. Deputy Group Leader..... Lt KNIGHT.
4. Second Attack Unit Leader..... Lt SMITH.
5. Second Unit Deputy Leader..... Lt. PROSSER.
6. Other Groups On Mission..... 454th, 456th, and 459th BG's
7. Fighter Escort..... 2 Groups P-38's
8. Bomb Load..... 1,000 lb GP's with .1 sec nose and mixed .01 and .025 tail fuzing.
9. Ammunition..... 5200 rounds of 50 cal.
10. Gas and Oil service..... 2700 gals, full oil service.
11. Time at Stations..... 0635B
12. Take-Off Instructions..... Taxi to South at 0655B for T/O to North at 0707B.

ORDER OF TAKE-OFF

1st Attack Unit			2nd Attack Unit		
862	261	294	400	492	499
989	658	283	270	994	855
200	259	232	402	748	476
952	230	583	249	167	166
312	292	161	241	264	099
982	494		216	351	481
570	938		198	939	993

13. Bomber Rendezvous..... 1st C. Wg. (459th - 454th) at SAN GIOVANNI at 3,000 ft - 459th BG at 0720B, 454th BG at 0723B. Gps will fly out in 2 parallel columns of boxes echeloned slightly right & down. 2nd C. Wg. (455th - 456th) at STORNARA at 4,000 feet at 0725B.
14. Course Out..... Base to Key Point SAN FELICE CIRCEO (41°13'N, 13°05'E) to Turn Point PIANOSA ISLAND (42°35'N, 10°05'E) to Turn Point ROGLIANO (42°57'N, 09°25'E) to IP to Target. Time at Key Point 0811B at 10,000 feet.
15. Initial Point..... 44°14'N, 08°53'E.
16. Axis of Attack..... 355° Mag.
17. Time at Target..... 1015B.
18. Bombing Formation..... 9 ship front with 2nd attack unit stacked down.
19. Bombardier's Information..... Unit leaders sight for range and deflection, box leaders for range all others toggle on leaders. Bombing altitude 20,000 feet. Intervalometer setting 25 feet. Target elevation sea level.

455th BOMBARDMENT GROUP

FORMATION DIAGRAM

MISSION NO. 57
 DATE 6-9-44

1ST SECTION
LANFORD

ARMOLD 294	KEEL 200	KNIGHT 200	SENSENBRENNER 261
CATKIN 508	NEWMAN 283	BEACHAM 252	TAYLOR 259
YOUNG 232	BRAWNINGER 282	SCHENK 312	MENDENHALL 230
Prather 161	Kealey 269	BODICEK 583	BRIMAGE 570
			WATSON 292
			KAHINSKY 938

2ND SECTION
SMITH

Keogh 498	Rendleton 402	HAMMOND 249	ROSSER 270	Crawford 492	HANSEN 994
SMITH 476	CHRISTENSEN 803	BAKER 216	Retkune 198	WALKER 241	JOHNSON 351
Rosenburg 168	Castel 099	Heathcote 241	Johnson 351	Scrimshaw 167	Riley 264
Garski 481	TANKER 482			Mu 939	

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 ○ PR

LOADING LISTS

740

994

6/7/44

✓ LT HANSEN
✓ LT WARD, J.T.
✓ LT POPEJOY
✓ LT DEHN
T/Sgt DeRock

T/Sgt Yeandel
S/Sgt Kaplanek
S/Sgt Fowler
S/Sgt Seiter
S/Sgt Rosenfield

740

400

6/7/44

✓ LT SMITH
✓ LT FABIAN
✓ LTS DRAGHI & COMPTON J.A.
✓ LT GLOWERY
T/Sgt Barrons

T/Sgt Cassidy
S/Sgt Conlin
S/Sgt Nyquist
S/Sgt Good
S/Sgt Carringer

740

198

6/7/44

✓ LT BETHUNE
✓ LT COLBY
✓ LT ASIP
" "
T/Sgt Riley P.O.

T/Sgt Collum
S/Sgt Brown
S/Sgt Bolling
Sgt Fisher J.T.
S/Sgt Sievers
S/Sgt Yaus

NOSE GUNNER

740

492

6/7/44

✓ LT CRAWFORD
✓ LT JOHNSON R.W.
✓ LT ANNALA
✓ LT COMPTON D.L.
T/Sgt Imberg

T/Sgt DeSelms
S/Sgt Fortson
S/Sgt Crysel
S/Sgt Metrik
S/Sgt Faut

740

748

6/7/44

ER (LT MOORE
LT ENNIS
LT TEASDALE
" " "
T/Sgt Logan

T/Sgt Wert
S/Sgt Franceschini
S/Sgt Kruse
S/Sgt Bischoff
S/Sgt Belough
S/Sgt Fender

NOSE GUNNER

740

402

6/7/44

✓ LT FENDLETON
✓ LT MILLAR
✓ LT FRAMIK
✓ LT KATZ
T/Sgt Keen

T/Sgt Bearden
S/Sgt Adams
S/Sgt Amoroso
S/Sgt Counts
S/Sgt Goble

740

270

6/7/44

✓ LT PROSSER
✓ LT GILES
✓ LT FRANTZ
✓ LT KRATZ
T/Sgt Marhenke

T/Sgt Austin
S/Sgt Carlson
S/Sgt Collins
S/Sgt King M.W.
S/Sgt Hubsch

740

351

6/7/44

✓ LT JOHNSON D.
✓ P/O ROBERTSON
✓ LT DANIELS
" "
T/Sgt Freeman

T/Sgt Thigpen
S/Sgt Fry
S/Sgt Merrill
S/Sgt Jackson
S/Sgt Johnen R.J.

740

264

6/7/44

✓ LT RILEY
✓ LT LAFFEY
✓ LT AMES
✓ LT CONNER
S/Sgt Dunn

S/Sgt Lewis
S/Sgt Harper
S/Sgt Martin
S/Sgt Macormic
S/Sgt Earle

✓ Lt Scrimshaw
✓ Lt Biro
✓ Lt Glance
✓ Lt Stelle
S/Sgt Angelides

T/Sgt Doherty
S/Sgt Queer
S/Sgt Somers
S/Sgt Thomas
S/Sgt Hodgson

74TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H) AAF
 2ND BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) AF
 A.P.O. No. 520 U. S. Army

7 May 1944
 (DATE)

L O A D I N G L I S T

A/C NUMBER 166 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	✓ Lt. Rosenberg	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Cavano
CO-PILOT	✓ Lt. Anderson	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Jones
NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Kleinmaus
BOMBARDIER	✓ Lt. Nolish	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Huyck
RADIO	Sgt. Curl	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Moran

A/C NUMBER 476 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	✓ Lt. Smith	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Beeler
CO-PILOT	✓ Lt. Lackner	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Elliott
NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Fisher
BOMBARDIER	✓ Lt. Bakanuskas	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Fowlkes
RADIO	Sgt. Muse	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Hamilton

A/C NUMBER 249 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	✓ Lt. Hammond	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Patterson
CO-PILOT	✓ Lt. Wendt	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Vanaman
NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Averill
BOMBARDIER	✓ Lt. Efurd	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Wise
RADIO	Sgt. Squires	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Pearson

A/C NUMBER 216 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	✓ Lt. Baker	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Swinney
CO-PILOT	✓ Lt. Harrington	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Aabye
NAVIGATOR	✓ Lt. Winklehorst	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Allen
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Bopp
RADIO	Sgt. Kelly	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Applin

A/C NUMBER 862 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	✓ Maj. Lanford	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Hudson
CO-PILOT	✓ Lt. Liberty	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Libbey
NAVIGATOR	✓ Lts. Kline & Cahill	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Boasi
BOMBARDIER	✓ Lt. Callan	BALL TUR GNR	
RADIO	Sgt. Swales	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Kennington

A/C NUMBER 855 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	✓ Lt. Christenson	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Bialas
CO-PILOT	✓ Lt. Chadwick	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Bowles
NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Swann
BOMBARDIER	✓ Lt. Young	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Padgett
RADIO	Sgt. Mayfield	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Abbott

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741ST BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H) 44F
41TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H) 1ST AF
A.P.C. No. 520 U. S. Army

7 May 1944
(DATE)

L O A D I N G L I S T

A/C NUMBER 241 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	✓ Lt. Heathcote	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Stover
CO-PILOT	✓ Lt. Higginbotham	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Moore
NAVIGATOR	✓ Lt. Jackson	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Rishko
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Kerr
RADIO	Sgt. Shotwell	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Bennett

A/C NUMBER 499 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	✓ Lt. Keogh	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Steinhauer
CO-PILOT	✓ Lt. Couget	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Earl
NAVIGATOR	✓	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Schindler
BOMBARDIER	✓ Lt. Grimm	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Delaney
RADIO	Sgt. Daly	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Anderson
		Photographer	Sgt. Townsend

A/C NUMBER 099 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	✓ Lt. Castell	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Otte
CO-PILOT	✓ Lt. Teel	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Gardner
NAVIGATOR	✓ Lt. Hale	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Singer
BOMBARDIER	✓ Lt. Newby	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Porter
RADIO	Sgt. Vicinski	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Moriarty

A/C NUMBER 481 DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT	✓ Lt. Gorski	TOP TUR GNR	Sgt. Merfield
CO-PILOT	✓ Lt. Disbrow	WAIST RIGHT	Sgt. Magnuson
NAVIGATOR	✓	WAIST LEFT	Sgt. Weeks
BOMBARDIER	✓ Lt. Scott	BALL TUR GNR	Sgt. Beaveavis
RADIO	Sgt. Peitruszewski	TAIL TUR GNR	Sgt. Vincent

A/C NUMBER _____ DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT		TOP TUR GNR	
CO-PILOT		WAIST RIGHT	
NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR	
RADIO		TAIL TUR GNR	

A/C NUMBER _____ DESTINATION _____ T/O _____

PILOT		TOP TUR GNR	
CO-PILOT		WAIST RIGHT	
NAVIGATOR		WAIST LEFT	
BOMBARDIER		BALL TUR GNR	
RADIO		TAIL TUR GNR	

742ND BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
 APO# 520 US ARMY

7 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Crews Completing Mission on 7 June 1944.

TO : Operations Officer, 455th Bombardment Group (H)

<u>SHIP #570</u>	<u>SHIP #993</u>	<u>SHIP #200</u>	<u>SHIP #292</u>	<u>SHIP #494</u>
P ✓ LT BRIMAGE	✓ LT MENDENHALL	✓ LT KEIL	✓ LT WATSON	✓ LT MONTGOMERY, J
CP ✓ LT WATT	✓ LT BROWN, W.	✓ LT CRUM	✓ LT SWANNER	✓ LT SIMS
N ✓ LT SANTINA	✓	✓ LT PICKERILL		✓ LT FRIEDBERG
B ✓ LT BROTHERS	✓ LT WATCHONDONK	✓ LT XX LEACH	✓ LT NELSON	✓ LT TILLEY
STINSON	WAUGH	AGNEW	BRODEUR	OVENS
COWAN	WIZELL	DOE	THOMAS	MCCOIN
PALOMBO	CHASE	MEDEL	BLUMBERG	MICHAEL
GREEN	MALCHOW	NOVAK	PRATT	AMBROSKI
EGLINTON	HEGHAUS	ULSH	LACEY	SEISS
BLANCO	JACKSON	OLEYASH	PELKEY	YOPK

<u>SHIP #658</u>	<u>SHIP #938</u>	<u>SHIP #259</u>	<u>SHIP #989</u>	<u>SHIP #261</u>
P ✓ LT RESPELER	✓ LT KAMINSKY	✓ LT TAYLOR	✓ LT KNIGHT	✓ LT SEASERBERNER
CP ✓ LT BUNT	✓ LT KIESELBACH	✓ LT TUCK	✓ LT KELLY	✓ LT RIDDEL
N ✓ LT PLATT	✓ LT SPIER	✓ LT ROTHER	✓ LT CROTZER	✓ LT MCGRANE
B ✓ LT HIATT	✓ LT MCCAULEY	✓ LT BOULWARE	✓ LT STRODE	✓ LT POWELL
WILSON	AMBROSINI	SKELTON	CLERSADDLE	JASTRZEMBOWSKI
HEMPHILL	SCHIAVO	WILSON	BAMMER	NERREN
SPOTTS	TUTHILL	SPRADLING	DEARENG	SELLARS
VIKEN	RUSSELL	JOHNSON	PAKNIK	PLOWMAN
YEE	HILL	MILLER	RYAN	SCOTT
RHODES	TRUEX	LECOMTE	GRAWILLER	RENNER
		SMALLWOOD (Photo)	CAPT TYYKILA ^{NAV}	

SHIP #230
 P ✓ LT RAMSTAD
 CP ✓ LT DAESCHNER
 B ✓ LT GUIDO
 N ✓ LT GAENZLE
 SHOLLENBERGER
 HARDY
 LOCKARD
 SUMNER
 KIMSEY A
 AMES

TARGET _____
 COMBAT TIME _____

HENRY C. KELLY,
 1st Lt., Air Corps,
 Ass't Opns Officer.

743RD BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H)
455TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Operations Officer
APO 520

COMBAT LOADING LIST
MISSION NO. 59

DATE 7 JUNE 1944

	<u>SHIP #294(C-21)</u>	<u>SHIP #283(C-22)</u>	<u>SHIP #232(C-23)</u>
P	✓ARNOLD, WA	Lt ✓NEUMAN, DJ	Lt ✓DUNSCOMB, RE
CP	✓YOUNG, LL	Lt ✓CAYEA, JE	Lt ✓HENSKE, EJ
N	✓ANDERSON, IE	Lt ✓SMITH, WA	Lt ✓JENKINS, W
B	✓DRASCO, SA	Lt ✓RANDALL, FS	Lt ✓BROYAN, CB
E	Vance, DS	Sgt Ledbetter, E	Sgt Thuma, JA
R	Manzitto, S	Sgt Kloos, GW	Sgt Edgington, P
AE	Spencer, MA	Sgt Kennedy, CJ	Sgt Waller, RN
AR	Howard, VR	Sgt Phillips, EA	Sgt Entrop, H
AG	Rudolph, JB	Sgt Hilgendorf, MW	Sgt Green, WP
AG	MacArthur, CJ	Sgt Peck, RB	Sgt Ware, CH
F	Lafollette, JH	Sgt Pendelton, P	Sgt Oven, AM
OBS	GROSS, J	Lt GROSSMAN, BM	Lt

	<u>SHIP #583(C-22)</u>	<u>SHIP #161(C-23)</u>	<u>SHIP #952(A-21)</u>
P	POTUCEK, ED	Lt ✓FRATHER, JF	Lt ✓BEACHAM, LL
CP	BUCHHOLZ, CF	Lt ✓BOWLES, EM	Lt ✓CARLTON, WC
N	FREDERICKSON, GL	Lt ✓ATWELL, EC	Lt ✓HART, CA
B	HAWKINS, JW	Lt ✓SLAUGHTER, W	Lt ✓DUDZIK, TA
E	Gray, AH	Sgt Price, DH	Sgt Patterick, HO
R	Kaleck, GE	Sgt McKenzie, DA	Sgt Ogg, DE
AE	Brown, EL	Sgt Ogden, CA	Sgt Conrad, CO
AR	Brown, TM	Sgt Gracia, GN	Sgt Simeroth, RB
AG	Andrews, JC	Sgt Floor, NA	Sgt Porter, WM
AG	Boster, RR	Sgt Schmiedeskamp,	Sgt Hays, DF
F	Lannoye, RJ	Sgt	

	<u>SHIP #312(A-22)</u>	<u>SHIP #982(A-23)</u>
P	✓SCHOENE, HR	Lt ✓BRAWNINGER, EW
CP	✓COLMAN, OC	Lt ✓MURPHY, RM
N	✓HAYWOOD, RF	Lt ✓GINSBURG, S
B	✓DAVIS, RJ	Lt ✓ROBINSON, JP
E	Ingalls, RD	Sgt Lewis, EP
R	Roth, EJ	Sgt Bailey, WE
AE	Roberts, WR	Sgt Caldwell, GS
AR	Cushing, WL	Sgt Shepherd, JW
AG	Palmer, FW	Sgt McMillan, JP
AG	Berg, HC	Sgt Kleeman, RF
AE	Hussey, HE	Sgt Winn, FP

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