

November 1945: Form 541

357 Squadron, "C" Flight
(Attached Burma Comm. Squadron)

Date	Aircraft type and No.	Crew	Time up	Time Down	Details of Sortie or Flight
7.11.45	Lysander V.9494	F/O. Darlington, P. L.	10.05	12.35	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Kyaukkyi (QB.270241) "Hyena Red". Two personnel and kit and 150 lbs. food and clothing landed. One passenger and 250 lbs. radio equipment brought out. 3/10ths. Cu. at 3000 ft. Visibility excellent.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.40)		
7.11.45	Lysander T.1538	F/Sgt. Hall, T. N.	09.15	14.00	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to (a) Kyaukkyi (QB.270241) "Hyena Red" (b) Kyeingon (QB.2056) "Hyena Purple". Two personnel and kit and 220 lbs. food and clothing landed at Kyaukkyi. Two personnel and kit and 350 lbs. radio and general equipment brought out from Kyeingon. 3/10ths Cu. at 3000 ft. Visibility excellent.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.55)		
8.11.45	Lysander V.9494	F/S. Stubbings, S. H. A.	11.00	16.15	Pick-Up and Free Drop Sortie from Mingaladon to (1) Thaton (QM.9552) "Giraffe". (2) Kyowaing (QH.0216) "Mongoose Red". (3) Mewaing (QG.8566) "Mongoose H.Q." One Officer landed at Thaton. 30 lb. package dropped at Kyowaing, 140 lbs. food landed at Mewaing and 50 lbs. radio equipment picked up. 3/10ths. Cu. at 2500 ft. Visibility unlimited.
		Sgt. Bowler, W. N.	(Op. Flying Hours 02.35)		
9.11.45	Lysander V.9494	F/O. Darlington, P. L.	09.35	12.20	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Metharoot (QH.034860) "Mongoose Crimson". 380 lbs. food and clothing landed. Cloudless in plains. Over mountains 3/10ths. cu. at 4000 ft. Visibility excellent.
			(Op. Flying Hours 02.00)		
9.11.45	Lysander T.1532	F/Sgt. Hall, T. N.	09.15	15.00	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Bolo Auk (QG.5088) "Mongoose White". Three personnel and 185 lbs food and clothing landed. One passenger and 300 lbs. of electrical and wireless equipment brought out. 3/10ths. Cu. at 4000 ft. Visibility excellent.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.30)		
10.11.45	Lysander V.9289	F/Sgt. Hall, T. N.	09.15	17.30	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to (1) Mewaing (QG.8566) "Mongoose H.Q." (2) Metharoot (QH.034860) "Mongoose Crimson". (3) Mewaing (4) Metharoot. Two British
			(Op. Flying Hours 02.40)		

					Officers flown from Base to Mewaing (for Conference), plus 40 lbs. food. Officer picked up from Metharoot and flown to Mewaing. after Conference latter Officer landed at Metharoot and aircraft returned direct to Base, with the other two British Officers. No cloud. Visibility unlimited.
11.11.45	Lysander T.1532	F/S. Stubbings, S. H. A.	09.40	14.35	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon t (1) Bolo Auk (QG.5088) "Mongoose White". (2) Toungoo Main A/F. (3) Bolo Auk. Landing made at Bolo Auk for one passenger for Toungoo, but passenger not present. Proceeded to Toungoo and picked up on Force 136 Officer and landed him at Bolo. Returned to Base. Cloudless. Visibility unlimited. Slight Cloud at Bolo (3000 ft).
			(Op. Flying Hours 02.45)		
12.11.45	Lysander T.1532	F/O. Darlington, P. L.	09.35	12.50	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to (1) Metharoot (QH.034860) "Mongoose Crimson" (2) Thaton (QM.9552) "Giraffe". Two personnel and kit landed at Metharoot. 80 lbs. food and ammunition landed at Thaton. One Officer and flt kit flown to Base from Thaton. 6/10ths Cirrus. Heat haze. Visibility 15 miles.
			(Op. Flying Hours 02.15)		
12.11.45	Lysander V.9818	F/S. Hall, T. N.	10.30	15.50	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Lipyekhi (QB.605332) "Hyena H.Q". 350 lbs. food landed. Two personnel, with kit, exfiltrated. First landing to be made on this Strip, which had been constructed as an alternative to the Strip previously used. Very much more suitable for Lysanders – 420 X 50 yards of cleared paddy and scrub of rather rough surface. Approach South to North up slope. Facilities for over-shoot reasonable, if decision to go round again made in good time. Altitude 2,800 feet A.S.L. Nil Cloud. Visibility unlimited.
			(Op. Flying Hours 02.30)		
13.11.45	Lysander T.1532	F/S. Hall, T. N.	09.30	15.10	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to (1) Mewaing (QG.8566) "Mongoose H.Q." (2) Metharoot (QH.034860) (3) Lipyekhi (QB.605332) "Hyena H.Q." One passenger picked up at Mewaing and flown t Metharoot. One passenger and kit flown from Metharoot to Lipyekhi. Three personnel and kit picked up at Lipyekhi and flown to Base, plus 100 lbs. radio equipment. 5/10ths. Cu. at 5000 feet. Scattered showers.
			(Op. Flying Hours 02.30)		
14.11.45	Lysander T.1 532	F/O. Darlington, P. L.	09.40	12.25	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Bolo Auk (QG.5088) "Mongoose White". Two personnel and kit brought back to Base. Visibility excellent. 3/10ths. Cu. Base 2500 feet.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.35)		

14.11.45	Lysander V.9867	F/S. Hall, T. N.	09.30	12.35	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Papun (Metharoot QN.034860) "Mongoose Crimson" (2) Mewaing (QG.8566) "Mongoose H.Q." One passenger and kit landed at Papun. Two passengers and kit flown to Mewaing from Papun. Two passengers and kit brought out from Papun and flown to Base. 3/10ths. Cu. base 5000 feet. Visibility unlimited. Showers in hills.
			(Op. Flying Hours 02.00)		
14.11.45	Lysander V.9867	F/S. Castledine	13.55	16.50	Pick-Up sortie from Mingaladon to (1) Metharoot (QN.034860) "Mongoose Crimson" (2) Bolo Auk (QG.5088) "Mongoose White" One passenger landed at Metharoot. One passenger and kit brought out from Bolo Auk and flown to Base. 4/10ths. Cu. 3000 feet. Local storms.
			(Op. Flying Hours 02.10)		
15.11.45	Lysander V.9494	F/S. Hall, T. N.	11.00	14.00	Pick-Up sortie from Mingaladon to Lipykehi (QB. 605332) "Hyena H.Q." Three personnel and kit brought out to Base. 3/10ths. Cu. 6000 ft.
			(Op. Flying Hours 02.00)		
16.11.45	Lysander V.9494	F/S. Castledine, R.	09.30	14.45	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Lipykehi (QB. 605332) "Hyena H.Q." (2) Bolo Auk (QG.5088) "Mongoose White". One passenger and kit flown from Lipykehi to Base. 4/10ths. Cu. at 5000 feet. Visibility unlimited.
			(Op. Flying Hours 02.40)		
16.11.45	Lysander V.9818	F/S. Stubbings	09.25	1 6.35	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to (1) Moulmein (2) Kyowaing (QN.9552) "Mongoose Red" (3) Papun (Metharoot QN.034860), "Mongoose Crimson". One British Officer and One Karen landed at Moulmein. 50 lbs. food flown from Moulmein and landed at Kyowaing. Two Karens and one B.O.R. brought out from Papun and flown to Base. 3/10ths Cu. base 4000 ft. Visibility unlimited.
			(Op. Flying Hours 02.40)		
16.11.45	Lysander V9867	F/O. Darlington	0935	1415	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Bolo Auk (QG.5088) "Mongoose White". One passenger and kit brought out and flown to Base. 3/10ths. Cu. over hills 4000 ft. Visibility excellent.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.25)		
16.11.45	Lysander V.9289	F/S. Hall	1430	1710	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to (1) Metharoot (QH.034860) "Mongoose Crimson". (2) Mewaing (QG.8566) "Mongoose H.Q." Aircraft spares landed at Metharoot. Two personnel, kit and Wireless Equipment flown from Mewaing to Base. 3/10ths. Cu. 6000 ft. Vis. Good.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.50)		
16.11.45	Lysander V9867	F/O. Darlington, P. L.	14.35	17.35	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Kyaukkyi (QB.270341) "Hyena Red". Two personnel

			(Op. Flying Hours 01.53)		and kit brought out and flown to Base. Clear over plains. Visibility excellent.
17.11.45	Lysander T.1532	F/S. Hall, T. N.	09.10	11.00	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Mewaing (QG.8566) "Mongoose H.Q." Two personnel and kit brought out and flown to Base. 6/10ths. Cu. at 5000 feet in the hills.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.40)		
17.11.45	Lysander V9867	F/O. Darlington, P. L.	09.35	13.20	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Kyowaing (QH.0216) "Mongoose Red". Two personnel and kit brought out and flown to Base. 3/10ths. Cu. at 3000 feet. Visibility 15 miles.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.45)		
17.11.45	Lysander V.9289	F/S. Stubbings, S. H. A.	09.40	12.05	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Kyaukkyi (QB.270341) "Hyena Red". Two personnel, kit and radio stores flown to Base. Visibility unlimited.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.35)		
17.11.45	Lysander V.9494	F/S. Castledine	09.30	12.30	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to (1) Bolo Auk (QG.5088) "Mongoose White". (2) Lipykkhi (QB.605332) "Hyena HQ". One passenger landed at Bolo Auk. Two passengers brought out from Lipykkhi and flown to Base. 2/10ths. Cu. base 5000 feet – Visibility unlimited.
			(Op. Flying Hours 02.05)		
17.11.45	Lysander V.9289	F/S. Stubbings	15.05	18.05	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to (1) Metharoot (QH.034860) "Mongoose Crimson" (2) Kyaukkyi (QB.270241) "Hyena Red". One British Officer picked-up at Metharoot and 400 lbs. radio stores picked up at Kyaukkyi and flown to Base. 2/10ths Cu. base 2500 feet. Visibility Excellent.
			(Op. Flying Hours 02.20)		
17.11.45	Lysander T.1532	F/S. Hall	12.40	16.10	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Kyowaing (QH.0216) "Mongoose Red". 500 lbs. kit and radio equipment flown to Base. 3/10ths. Cu. base 5000 feet. Visibility unlimited.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.40)		
17.11.45	Lysander V.9494	F/S. Castledine	15.00	17.45	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Bolo Auk (QG.5088) "Mongoose White". Two personnel and kit picked up and flown to base. 2/10ths. Cu. over hills base 5000 feet. Visibility Excellent.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.35)		
18.11.45	Lysander V.3989	F/O. Darlington, P. L.	09.45	11.50	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Kyowaing (QH.0216) "Mongoose Red". Two personnel and kit flown to Base. 4/10ths. Cu. Visibility 15 miles.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.35)		
18.11.45	Lysander V.9494	F/S. Stubbings	09.50	11.45	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Thaton – (QM.9552) "Giraffe". One Burmese Officer and kit picked up and flown to Base. 3/10ths. Cu. base 3000 feet. Visibility Excellent.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.30)		

18.11.45	Lysander T.1532	F/S. Hall	14.15	16.50	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Mewaing – (QG.8566) "Mongoose H.Q." One British Officer, one Karen and kit flown to Base. 3/10ths. Cu. at 6000 feet. Showery.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.40)		
19.11.45	--	--	--	--	No Sorties flown
20.11.45	--	--	--	--	No Sorties flown
21.11.45	Lysander V.9494	F/S. Hall, T. N.	10.30	14.25	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Kyaukkyi – (QB.270241) "Hyena Red". Two personnel landed and two personnel and wireless equipment brought out and landed at Base. 3/10ths. Cu. at 4000 ft. Visibility unlimited.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.50)		
22.11.45	Lysander V.9494	F/O. Darlington	09.35	15.15	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Papun – (Metharoot QH.034860) "Mongoose Crimson". Two personnel and kit landed. One passenger flown to Base. 3/10ths. Cu. at 3500 ft. Vis. Excellent.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.45)		
23.11.45	Lysander T.1538	F/S. Stubbings.	11.15	13.15	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Mewaing – (QG.8566) "Mongoose HQ". Two personnel landed. 6/10ths. Cu. at 3000 ft. Visibility 40 miles.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.35)		
24.11.45	Lysander V.9818	F/S. Hall, T. N.	15.00	17.05	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Kyaukkyi – (QB.270241) "Hyena Red". Three personnel and kit landed. 500 lbs. wireless equipment and explosives picked up and flown to Base. Visibility unlimited.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.50)		
25.11.45	Lysander T.1538	F/S. Castledine	10.30	16.00	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Bolo Auk (QG.5088) "Mongoose White". Two personnel and kit landed. Two personnel brought out and flown to Base. Visibility Excellent.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.30)		
26.11.45	Lysander V.92789	F/O. Darlington	12.15	13.45	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Thaton – (QM.9552) "Giraffe". Two personnel and kit landed. No Cloud. Visibility excellent.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.20)		
27.11.45	Lysander V.92789	F/S. Hall, T. N.	09.30	14.40	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to (1) Kyaukkyi – (QB.270241) "Hyena Red" (2) Mewaing (QG.8566) "Mongoose HQ". Three personnel and kit landed at Kyaukkyi. One passenger and kit picked up at Mewaing and flown to Base. No cloud. Visibility excellent.
			(Op. Flying Hours 02.10)		
28.11.45	Lysander V.9818	F/S.. Stubbings	10.40	15.15	Pick-Up Sortie from Mingaladon to Kyowaing (QH.0216) "Mongoose Red". Three personnel landed. One passenger flown to Base. 4/10ths. Cu. Visibility unlimited.
			(Op. Flying Hours 01.35)		

29.11.45	--	--	--	--	No Sorties flown
30.11.45	Lysander T.1538	F/S. Hall, T. N. (Pilot)	¹		Drop Sortie from Mingaladon to Patado – (QB.855325) "Hyena Orange". (2) Lipyekhi – (QB.605332) "Hyena H.Q." (3) Kekingon (QB.2056) – "Hyena Purple". 40 lbs. equipment and comforts dropped in each case. No cloud. Visibility unlimited.
		F/S. Maggar (Dispatcher)			
Conclusion of Operational Record of Lysander Flight for the Period 7th to 30th. November, 1945. (inclusive).					
					S/Ldr.
					Officer Commanding,
					Lysander Flight,
					(Attached Burma Comm. Squadron.)
					Mingaladon

¹ Times not given in record.