

from a reply to a letter to Gore & Storz, contractors, Toronto
inquiring about Belleville property 1941-44. 3 JUL 57

Appendix "A"

No. 5 Initial Training School, Belleville, Ontario.

Monthly Strength.

Formation on 8 August, 1941. Organization Order No. 136 (dated 16-7-41) sets the staff at a complement of 45 officers, 206 airmen and one civilian. The statement of policy: "To train a maximum of 534 pupils in Initial Training Course - 36 days." The Daily Diary (Form RCAF R.65) states that accommodation was to be provided in the school at Belleville, Ontario, for 40 officers, 206 airmen, 484 pupils and one civilian. The official opening of the School on 8 August, 1941, found this strength reported: 19 officers, 90 airmen, and two civilians. The same day 223 aircrew pupils reported in and were accommodated. On 20 August the second squadron arrived: 143 aircrew. End of month strength reports are as follows:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Officers</u>	<u>Airmen</u>	<u>Trainees</u>	<u>Civilians</u>	<u>Non (CDC, RCAF, & Staff RAF)</u>
Aug 41	30	139	367	9	
Sep 41	45	194	513	1	
Oct 41	46	194	494	1	
Nov 41	47	196	520	1	2
Dec 41	50	191	447	23	2
Jan 42	50	191	381	22	4
Feb 42	50	249	514	14	4
Mar 42	53	246	488	10	6
Apr 42	51	239	555	17	6
May 42	54	211	569	17	6
Jun 42	53	216	597	19	7
Jul 42	54	214	594	25	8
Aug 42	55	210	576	25	8
Sep 42	55	203	644	25	8
Oct 42	54	222	636	27	8
Nov 42	55 (2)	206	542	30	7
Dec 42	56 (2)	213	550	30	7
Jan 43	54 (2)	194	538	30	8
Feb 43	56 (2)	182	629	30	8
Mar 43	54 (3)	249	691	30	10
Apr 43	57 (2)	200	704	26	10
May 43	52 (2)	200	711	28	7
Jun 43	51 (4)	181	781	28	7
Jul 43	51 (4)	186	779 (5)	28	7
Aug 43	56 (4)	217	789	29	7
Sep 43	51 (4)	203	772	30	8
Oct 43	48 (4)	202	869	28	8
Nov 43	47 (4)	211	933	28	8
Dec 43	49 (4)	225	696	28	8
Jan 44	63 (4)	222	678	26	8
Feb 44	64 (4)	218	726	25	8
Mar 44	42 (3)	212	659	23	8
Apr 44	35 (3)	197	622	22	8
May 44	26 (2)	159	353	22	8

Jun 44 Unit became inactive and ceased training 2 June, 1944.
Unit disbanded effective 15 June, 1944.
(Organization Order No. 364, 192-10-13/3(DEO), Dated 29 May 1944.)

- (1) Due to pupils held over or re-coursed, this number began to be exceeded by April, 1942. The course had reached a 10-week duration by 1943.
- (2) Including one W.D. Officer
- (3) Including two W.D. officers.
- (4) Including three W.D. officers.
- (5) Including five RAF airmen.