

**For those of you who are following Steve Dixon's 3rd *Target For Tonight!* Campaign game...** The date for this mission is the night of 3/4 June 1944 and No. 104 Squadron is heading for St. Medard en Jalles, France. Here is "R for Roger's" mission AAR. Hope you enjoy!

No. 104 Squadron (KX) Bomber Command - "R for Roger"

3/4 June '44

Mission 11/ TGT - St. Medard en Jalles, France, Zone 11. (Industry)

Formation - Middle 1/3.

Moon Phase: Crescent Moon

**Crew:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Position</b>
Malcolm Fraser	Warrant Officer	Flight Engineer (Wnd)
Gerry Hansen (Lt Wnd-rec) - 1 Fw-190A5)	Flight SGT	Bomb Aimer (MB - Well Done Mission #2)
Jacob Morton	Sergeant	Rear Gunner (1-Ju88c6, 2- ME-110 G4, 1- Do-217N2, 1-Me-110 F4, 1-Ju-88C6)
Alfie "Binky" Williams	Pilot Officer	Navigator
Theodore "Teddy" Fernsby	Flying Officer	Pilot
Jeremiah "Jerry" MacKenzie Fw-190A5, 1-Me-110F-4, 1-Ju-88G7, 1-Ju-88G7)	Sergeant	Mid-Upper Gunner (2-Ju88c6, 2-Do-217, 1-
Oscar Addington	Flight SGT	Wireless Operator/Gunner (2nd Wnd) (Do- 217J1)
Sidney Cartwright	Warrant Officer	Senior Erk

**"The Mission to St. Medard en Jalles...**

**Mission Synopsis:**

Daylight was beginning to lighten the eastern sky as R for Roger and his crew limped into the landing Pattern after a very long mission to St. Medard en Jalles, France... Much the worse for wear... R for Roger had smoke trailing from the number 2 engine and number 4 was feathered after a vicious fight with an Do 217 N-2 that lasted several rounds. SGT MacKenzie, Mid Upper Gunner, finally put a long burst into him that sent him spiraling earthward, followed by a brilliant explosion when he hit the dark landscape...

Roger, and the crew were flying in the middle portion of the bomber stream... The weather was 50% to 100% cloud cover with ground fog and haze most of the flight. F/O Teddy Fernsby, Roger's pilot danced Roger thru the clouds staying as low as possible to avoid detection from the Jerry Radar stations for as long as possible... Flying "on the deck" thru France, Roger was shot at by several AA gun sites but was pretty lucky until Teddy had to Climb Roger to bombing altitude in the Target Zone. Roger received several hits from heavy AA on the bomb run and the egress from the Target. The Master Bomber had the target well marked but because of the 100% cloud cover and Crescent Moon F/SGT Hansen, Roger's bomb aimer had trouble getting a good target picture. Thye Master Bomber had him go around once before he was able to get a good look. Roger's bombs were on Target but the strike photos showed only 20% on Target.

F/SGT Addington is commended for Bravery for his heroic efforts to put out a fire started in the Oxygen System in the Rear Centre Section of the aircraft after being hit by AA fire. F/SGT Addington was dispensing Window at the time and received light wounds from shrapnel.

As Roger enters the landing pattern PO Williams, Navigator ... Fires a red flare to alert the station that Roger has wounded on board... Roger gets priority to land and an ambulance will meet them when they land.

The landing does well. F/SGT Addington will recover and be available for the next mission.

While Roger has considerable damage, Senior Erk WO Cartwright advised "Roger" will be ready for the next mission.

"R for Roger" will be ready for the next mission.

20% of the bombs dropped were On Target.

F/SGT Addington light Wounds - ready for next mission.

SGT MacKenzie credited with a Do-217 N2 Night Fighter.

Photos below:

"R for Roger"

The "St. Medard en Jalles" Mission Map

Take off and Landing WX Good. 50-100% cloud cover both ways to Target. 100% cloud cover over the Target Zone. Crossed the channel with no contacts. Attacked by He-219 N-2 who attacked 4 times before being shot down by MacKenzie. Took heavy AA gun fire in the target zone and made two runs over the target. 20% bombs ON Target. F/SGT Addington light wounds fro AA Guns and commended for bravery for putting out oxygen fire. Roger lost an engine and took numerous non-fatal hits from both NF and AA guns. Roger will be ready for next mission.