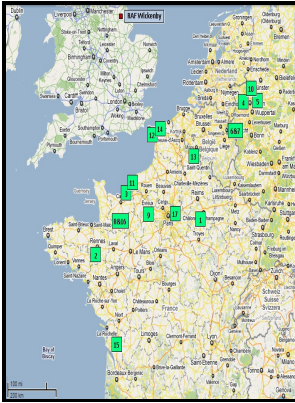# Battle under the moon - an account of the RAF raid on Mailly-le-Camp, May 3-4 1944

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Bombardment of Mailly

Currie was born in Sheffield but moved as a child to Harrow, London. Secondly, the marker aircraft would be using Cheshire's low level marking technique. In 1902, a large French Army camp was built there including barrack buildings, offices, workshops and a large armoured vehicle exercise area.

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Graham Fryer had no brothers or sisters in the services as far as I know.

Battle under the Moon

The red target markers for both east and west barrack targets had gone down on time, but Wing Commander Cheshire, marking from 1,500 feet was not satisfied. .

Battle under the Moon

It is possible that a scarf was found by a local, but I doubt it survived an explosion. Time on target was 12:01, when Cheshire would mark the east end of the camp. The 28th and last operation, and marked with a circled number, is Mailly-le-Camp.

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The aircraft were stacked at altitudes of 100 feet separation. Destroyed in the bombing were 114 barrack buildings, 47 transport sheds, 65 vehicles, and 37 tanks, while 218 instructors and soldiers were killed with 156 more being wounded.

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Here they would make a 90 degree turn to the west and head toward.

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