

WWII escape and evasion

INFORMATION EXCHANGE

[Home Page](#)
[Escaper List](#)
[MI9 Report Nos](#)
[IS9 Report Nos](#)
[MIS-X Report Nos](#)
[LIB Report Nos](#)
[Escape Lines](#)
[Articles](#)
[Feedback](#)
[FAQs](#)
[Conscript Heroes](#)
[Contact Me](#)

Shelburn Evaders

This is simply a list of servicemen taken off by MGB from Plage Bonaparte for the Shelburn organisation. The majority were American and almost all were evaders - only S/Sgt Lee Gordon USAAF and Cook Buland Khan of the Indian Army had escaped from prison camps

SIS/MI9 Operation Bonaparte 1 - 28/29 Jan 1944 - MGB 503 (Mike Marshall)

F/O Samuel P J Blackwell (1727)	266 Sqn Typhoon JP906
Sgt Norman B Cufley (1728)	77 Sqn Halifax JD247
Sgt John Harvey (1729)	77 Sqn Halifax JD247
S/Sgt James A King (#343)	305BG/365BS B-17 42-29530
Sgt Fred T Schmitt (#344)	392BG/578BS B-24 42-7588
Sgt John L Sullivan Jnr (#345)	392BG/578BS B-24 42-7588
T/Sgt Andrew F Hathaway (#346)	100BG/349BS B-17 42-31215
1/Lt Donald J Heskett (#347)	44BG/66BS B-24 42-7548 Bull O' The Woods
S/Sgt Walter J Sentkoski (#348)	390BG/569BS B-17 42-3306 Phoenix
1/Lt Richard M Smith (#349)	95BG/336BS B-17 42-30674 Destiny's Tot
2/Lt William H Booher (#350)	95BG/336BS B-17 42-30674 Destiny's Tot
T/Sgt Alphonse M Mele (#351)	95BG/336BS B-17 42-30674 Destiny's Tot
S/Sgt Jerry Eshuis (#352)	95BG/336BS B-17 42-30674 Destiny's Tot
2/Lt Morton B Shapiro (#353)	389BG/564BS B-24 42-63973
S/Sgt Walter E Dickerman (#354)	447BG/711BS B-17 42-31173 Maid to Please
2/Lt Sidney Casden (#355)	384BG/546BS B-17 42-30058

SIS/MI9 Operation Bonaparte 2 - 26/27 Feb 1944 - MGB 503 (Mike Marshall)

F/Sgt Leon J G Harmel (1807)	350 (Belgian) Sqn Spitfire AD314
2/Lt Louis Feingold (#419)	95BG/336BS B-17 42-30674 Destiny's Tot
2/Lt Warren C Tarkington (#420)	95BG/336BS B-17 42-30674 Destiny's Tot
S/Sgt Harry L Minor (#421)	379BG/525BS B-17 42-29876 Battlin' Bobbie
S/Sgt John Semach (#422)	379BG/524BS B-17 42-9893 El Diablo
2/Lt Milton L Church (#423)	94BG/331BS B-17 42-31212
T/Sgt Kenneth O Blye (#424)	94BG/331BS B-17 42-31212
2/Lt Ernest H Hugonnet (#425)	94BG/410BS B-17 42-30200 Slo Time Sally
S/Sgt Donald D McLeod (#426)	94BG/410BS B-17 42-30200 Slo Time Sally
Sgt Marion A Hall (#427)	94BG/410BS B-17 42-30200 Slo Time Sally
Sgt Harold O Gilley (#428)	94BG/410BS B-17 42-30200 Slo Time Sally
Sgt Robert A Schwartzburg (#429)	94BG/410BS B-17 42-30200 Slo Time Sally
Sgt Robert C Southers (#430)	94BG/410BS B-17 42-30200 Slo Time Sally
S/Sgt Mike Olynik (#431)	96BG/337BS B-17 42-3348 Dottie J III
2/Lt James A Schneider (#432)	91BG/324BS B-17 42-29895 Black Swan
T/Sgt James N Quinn (#433)	91BG/324BS B-17 42-29895 Black Swan
S/Sgt Lee C Gordon (#434)	305BG/365BS B-17 41-24623 (escaped Moosburg)

SIS/MI9 Operation Bonaparte 3 - 16/17 Mar 1944 - MGB 502 (Peter Williams)

Sgt Dennis Brown (1848)	625 Sqn Lancaster ND461
2/Lt Manuel M Rogoff (#455)	389BG/567BS B-24 42-40747 Heavy Date
2/Lt Shirley D Berry (#456)	389BG/567BS B-24 42-40747 Heavy Date
T/Sgt Harold R Vines (#457)	389BG/567BS B-24 42-63977 Los Angeles City Limits
S/Sgt Russell L Paquin (#458)	389BG/567BS B-24 42-40747 Heavy Date
2/Lt Philip A Capo (#459)	385BG/548BS B-17 42-31380
2/Lt Edward J Donaldson (#460)	379BG/527BS B-17 42-29963 Judy

Sgt Neelan B Parker (#461)	379BG/527BS B-17 42-29963 Judy
S/Sgt Robert K Fruth (#462)	93BG/328BS B-24 42-7614
S/Sgt Everett E Stump (#463)	92BG/326BS B-17 42-37984
Sgt Carlyle A Van Selus (#464)	92BG/326BS B-17 42-37984
Sgt Carl W Mielke (#465)	305BG/364BS B-17 42-40020 Good Pickin
T/Sgt William C Lessig (#466)	379BG/525BS B-17 42-29633
2/Lt Dean W Tate (#467)	379BG/525BS B-17 42-29633
Lt Charles B Winkelman (#468)	100BG/351BS B-17 42-30035 Torchy
Sgt John T Amery (#469)	100BG/351BS B-17 42-5997 Heaven Can Wait
Sgt Charles W Cregger (#470)	44BG/66BS B-24 42-7548 Bull O' The Woods
2/Lt Joseph A Birdwell (#471)	390BG/569BS B-17 42-3306 Phoenix
T/Sgt Kenneth P Christian (#472)	384BG/544BS B-17 42-39784 Cabin in the Sky
2/Lt William T Campbell (#473)	94BG/333BS B-17 42-37815 Miss Lace
S/Sgt Frank J Moast (#474)	94BG/333BS B-17 42-37815 Miss Lace
2/Lt Jack McGough (#475)	94BG/331BS B-17 42-31212
2/Lt Ralph K Patton (#476)	94BG/331BS B-17 42-31212
2/Lt William H Spinning (#477)	351BG/509BS B-17 42-29863 Kentucky Babe

SIS/MI9 Operation Bonaparte 4 - 19/20 Mar 1944 - MGB 503 (Mike Marshall)

Cook Buland Khan (1852)	RIASC (escaped Rennes)
1/Lt Earl J Wolf Jnr (#487)	306BG/423BS B-17 42-31388
S/Sgt Leonard F Bergeron (#488)	306BG/423BS B-17 42-31388
2/Lt Robert O Lorenzi (#489)	452BG/730BS B-17 42-31325
2/Lt Robert L Costello (#490)	452BG/730BS B-17 42-31325
2/Lt Paul R Packer (#491)	452BG/730BS B-17 42-31325
S/Sgt Edward J Sweeney (#492)	452BG/730BS B-17 42-31325
1/Lt Glenn B Johnson (#493)	94BG/331BS B-17 42-31212
2/Lt Norman R King (#494)	94BG/410BS B-17 42-30200 Slo Time Sally
S/Sgt Isadore C Viola (#495)	94BG/331BS B-17 42-31212
1/Lt Francis P Hennessy (#496)	388BG/563BS B-17 42-3285 Mary Ellen
2/Lt Clyde C Richardson (#497)	388BG/563BS B-17 42-3285 Mary Ellen
T/Sgt Elmer D Risch (#498)	44BG/66BS B-24 42-7548 Bull O' The Woods
2/Lt Richard F Schafer (#499)	389BG/564BS B-24 42-63973
S/Sgt Paul F Dicken (#500)	389BG/564BS B-24 42-63973
S/Sgt William J Scanlon (#501)	92BG/326BS B-17 42-37984
2/Lt John A McGlynn Jnr (#502)	7PRG/13PRS F-5 42-67361

SIS/MI9 Operation Bonaparte 5 - 23/24 Mar 1944 - MGB 503 (Mike Marshall)

F/O Graham C Brickwood (1854)	2 Sqn Mustang AM188
P/O Ronald W Daniel (1855)	35 Sqn Halifax HR985
F/O Kenneth B Woodhouse (1858)	401 Sqn Spitfire MJ119
F/O Russell E Barnlund (1859)	408 Sqn Lancaster DS845
Sgt Kenneth E Lussier (1860)	408 Sqn Lancaster DS845
1/Lt Milton L Rosenblatt (#520)	44BG/68BS B-24 42-7501 Bing's Big Box
2/Lt Robert V Laux (#521)	381BG/532BS B-17 42-31099 Tenabuv
2/Lt Phlemon T Wright (#522)	381BG/532BS B-17 42-31099 Tenabuv
Sgt Thomas J Glennan (#523)	381BG/532BS B-17 42-31099 Tenabuv
Sgt Abe A Helfgott (#524)	381BG/532BS B-17 42-31099 Tenabuv
Sgt Rudolf Cutino (#525)	381BG/532BS B-17 42-31099 Tenabuv
Sgt Richard C Hamilton (#526)	381BG/532BS B-17 42-31099 Tenabuv
1/Lt Milton V Shevchik (#527)	92BG/326BS B-17 42-37984
2/Lt James M Thorson (#528)	92BG/326BS B-17 42-37984
Sgt Francis C Wall (#529)	92BG/326BS B-17 42-37984
2/Lt William H Hoffman III (#530)	92BG/326BS B-17 42-31387
1/Lt William B Lock (#531)	92BG/326BS B-17 42-31175 Trudy
S/Sgt Charlie H Mullins (#532)	92BG/326BS B-17 42-31175 Trudy
2/Lt Alfred T Coffman (#533)	381BG/535BS B-17 42-40025 Touch The Button Nell
T/Sgt Robert J Rujawitz (#534)	93BG/409BS B-24 42-100345
S/Sgt Robert H Sweatt (#535)	389BG/566BS B-24 42-41013 Trouble
S/Sgt Keith W Sutor (#536)	389BG/567BS B-24 42-40747 Heavy Date

S/Sgt John F Bernier (#537)	379BG/525BS B-17 42-29633
S/Sgt David G Helsel (#538)	379BG/525BS B-17 42-29633
S/Sgt George P Buckner (#539)	92BG/326BS B-17 42-31387
Sgt David Warner (#540)	92BG/326BS B-17 42-31387

SIS/MI9 Operation Crozier - 12/13 July 1944 - MGB 503 (Mike Marshall)

Sub/Lt Mervin I G Hamilton (2022)	RN MTB 718
L/Seaman Alfred H Dellow (2023)	RN MTB 718
Ord/Seaman Hayward D Rockwood (2024)	RN MTB 718
F/O Harold J Brennan (2025)	28 OTU Wellington LN896
P/O Alfred J Houston (2026)	28 OTU Wellington LN896
Sgt Ernest J Trottier (2027)	28 OTU Wellington LN896
Sgt Roger J Dickson (2028)	28 OTU Wellington LN896
Sgt Andrew Elder (2029)	28 OTU Wellington LN896
W/O Robert Ossendorf (2031)	312 Sqn Spitfire MJ907
F/Lt Lawrence W F Stark (2046)	263 Sqn Typhoon MN527
1/Lt Richard J Gordon (#830)	362FG/379FS P-47 42-26111
1/Lt Frank L Lee Jnr (#831)	362FG/379FS P-47 42-25404
2/Lt William C Hawkins (#832)	4FG/335FS P-51 43-6316
2/Lt Joseph A Lilly (#833)	354FG/355FS P-51 43-6441

SIS/MI9 Operation Crozier II - 23/24 July 1944 - MGB 502 (Peter Williams)

F/Sgt Thomas P Fargher (2057)	234 Sqn Spitfire AA973
Major William A Jones USAAF (#834)	367FG/393FS P-38 42-104277 Laura Lee
Major Oswald A J Cary-Elwes	SAS
S/Ldr P H Smith	SAS Liaison Officer
Cpl Eric Mills	SAS

Most of the names above are easily found but confirmation of some of the detail comes from many sources, particularly work done by Claude Helias, Edouard Reniere, Fred Greyer and Oliver Clutton-Brock

[Return to top of page](#)