

APPENDICES

APPENDIX 1 – ALLIED AIRCRAFT LOSSES & FATALITIES

Confirmed Allied Military Aircraft Losses 1 January to 31 March 1943*

* Note as a general rule, losses in North Queensland or not directly involved with operational flying are excluded from these tables. However, such distinctions are left to author discretion.

	DATE	TYPE	SERIAL	UNIT	COMMENTS	FATALITIES*
1	1 Jan 43	B-24D	41-23752 <i>Crosair</i>	319 th BS	Major Philip J Kuhl ditched off Kawa Is on return from Rabaul mission. Two crew killed, seven survived.	2 killed
2	1 Jan 43	Wirraway	A20-620	No. 4 Sqn	Hit by anti-aircraft fire over Buna and crash landed at Dobodura. Crew OK.	
3	2 Jan 43	B-24D	42-40870 <i>The Shaped-up Kid</i>	400 th BS	Crashed on take-off from Seven-Mile and destroyed. Seven killed, three OK.	7 killed
4	3 Jan 43	B-26	40-1422 <i>So Sorry</i>	2 nd BS	Captain Gerald J Crosson hit over Lae and crash landed Dobodura. Crew OK.	
5	5 Jan 43	B-17F	41-24538	403 rd BS	First Lieutenant Jean A Jack damaged over Rabaul and ditched off Urasi. 10 crew rescued.	
6	5 Jan 43	B-17F	41-24458 <i>San Antonio Rose</i>	64 th BS	Major Jack W Bleasdale likely crashed northern New Britain after combat over Rabaul. Two crew baled out and became POWs. Nine others including Brigadier General Walker missing.	9 killed
7	6 Jan 43	B-24D	41-23773	321 st BS	First Lieutenant George Rose shot down by Zeros off New Britain.	10 killed
8	6 Jan 43	B-24D	41-23750 <i>Cowtown's Revenge</i>	321 st BS	First Lieutenant Walter Higgins damaged in combat with Oscars and ditched off Lifaba Island. Two crew killed, seven rescued.	2 killed
9	6 Jan 43	B-26	40-1404 <i>Shittengitten</i>	33 rd BS	Lieutenant George Kahle damaged in combat with Oscars and written off in emergency belly landing at Milne Bay. Crew OK.	
10	7 Jan 43	B-17F	41-24383 <i>Thistle Do It</i>	64 th BS	Second Lieutenant Guyton M Christopher ditched in Gulf of Papua after running low of fuel during night mission. Six crew killed, three rescued.	6 killed
11	7 Jan 43	Boston	A28-4	No. 22 Sqn	Flying Officer Robert Wines hit by AA fire and crash landed Seven-Mile. Three crew OK.	
12	7 Jan 43	B-25	41-29708 <i>Royal Flush</i>	71 st BS	First Lieutenant Elmer Brinkman hit by AA fire and ditched in ocean. Seven crew killed.	7 killed
13	7 Jan 43	B-26	40-1421 <i>Yeah!</i>	33 rd BS	First Lieutenant Leonard Nicholson hit by AA fire, Four crew killed, three rescued.	4 killed
14	7 Jan 43	P-40		8 th FS	Second Lieutenant Eugene Dickey baled out over ocean after combat with Japanese fighters.	1 killed
15	8 Jan 43	B-26	40-1498 <i>Sea Wolf</i>	2 nd BS	Captain Baumgarner crashed on take-off from Fourteen-Mile. Crew OK.	
16	8 Jan 43	B-25	41-12830 <i>Pistoff</i>	71 st BS	First Lieutenant Bill Lett ditched Collingwood Bay after Lae mission. Crew OK.	