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AIR RAIDS ON ANGLESEY DURING WW2

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| Abbreviations | |
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| EA | Enemy Aircraft |
| IB | Incendiary Bomb |
| HE | High Explosive |
| HMS | His Majesty's Ship |
| KFG | Kustenfliegergruppe [Maritime/Coastal Luftwaffe Unit] |
| KG | Kampfgeschwader [Luftwaffe, Battle/Combat Unit] |
| LMS | London Midland & Scottish Railway |
| UXB | Unexploded Bomb |

| Date | Civil Defence Division | Location | Action | Casualties | Damage |
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| 22.7.40 | 3[Holyhead] | Holyhead Harbour near the Breakwater | Mines dropped during night of 21/22.7.40. Trawler HMS Campina sunk. | 11 Dead 3 Wounded | Ship HMS Campina sunk |
| 24.9.40 | 3[Valley] | Llanfachraeth | 1xIB | Nil damage | |
| 25.9.40 | 3[Menai Bridge] | Llandegfan | 7xIB [1xUXB] possibly Luftwaffe Unit KG55 | Nil damage | |
| 5.10.40 | 3[Holyhead] | Holyhead Town | 6xHE + approx..20xIB | 1 wounded | 4 house including Church House, |

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| | | | | 2 treated for shock | Bethel Chapel, Lands End Garage & Swifts Square demolished/damaged. |
| 10.10.40 | 4[Llangefni] | Llangadwaladr | 1xIB Luftwaffe Unit possibly KFG 1/606 | Nil | Nil |
| 13.10.40 | 3[Valley] | Rhoscolyn | 1xIB | Nil | Nil |
| 6.11.40 | 3[Valley] | Llanfachraeth & Llanfugail | Approx. 80xIB | Nil | Nil |
| 8.11.40 | 3[Holyhead] | Holyhead Town | 1xHE + 3xHE in the harbour | Nil | Nil |
| 11.11.40 | 1[Beaumaris] | Penmon Quarries | 3xHE | Nil | Nil |
| 2.1.41 | 5[Menai Bridge] | Holland Arms | Approx at Midnight possibly mistaking the greenhouse at Holland Arms glinting in the moonlight as the Straits. EA dropped 2x parachute mines plus 10 smaller mines. | 3 wounded | 4 houses demolished. Mr Taylor's greenhouse shattered. 1xUXB exploded at 17:00 |
| 12.1.41 | 2[Amlwch] | Amlwch Town | Machine gunned by Enemy Aircraft | Nil | Nil |
| 13.1.41 | 3[Holyhead] | Holyhead Town | Machine gunned by Enemy Aircraft | Nil | Nil |
| 24.2.41 | 3[Holyhead] | Holyhead | Flares seen over Town | Nil | Nil |
| 25.2.41 | 3[Holyhead] | Holyhead Town | 2x parachute mines on Salt Island. | 11 Wounded | 17 Houses including Hospital damaged |
| 11.3.41 | 4[Llangefni] | Mynydd Bodafon | 1xHE | Nil | Nil |
| 11.3.41 | 1[Beaumaris] | Llanddona | 1xHE | Nil | Nil |
| 12.3.41 | 5[Menai Bridge] | Llanfair PG | 6xHE, 6 explosions heard from Llangristiolus [OS115/523708 possibly] | 2 Wounded | 1 house destroyed, 1 house damaged |
| 12.3.41 | 3[Holyhead] | Holyhead Foreshore near the end of the inner Breakwater | 2xHE or mines | Nil | Nil |
| 14.3.41 | 5[Menai Bridge] | Plas Newydd grounds | 2xHE, one possible crater OS 115/505688. On this day 312Sqn shot down a Ju.88 25nms SW of Bardsey, part of the same Raid? | Nil | Nil |
| 6/7.4.41 | 3[Holyhead] | Holyhead inner & outer Harbour | 2 'objects'/mines? Harbour closed as a result | Nil | Nil |
| 7.4.41 | 3[Valley] | Dalar X-roads, Caergeiliog | 2xIB | Nil | Nil |
| 9.4.41 | 3[Holyhead] | Holyhead | 1xHE Wesley Chapel, 5xHE LMS Marshalling Yards, 2xHE near Dutch Ship, 60+IB, 1xHE was UXB | 4 Wounded | 11 houses damaged. |
| 6.5.41 | 3[Holyhead] | Holyhead Outer Harbour | 3xHE | Nil | Nil |
| 7.5.41 | 3[Holyhead] | Holyhead Outer Harbour | 4xHE or Mines, 2 exploded, 2xUXB, port closed. He111P-4s of 3/KG55 were around | Nil | Nil |

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| | | | that night. | | |
| 9.5.41 | 3[Holyhead] | Holyhead Harbour | Dutch Ship machine gunned. EA seen with smoke coming from the tail, crashed at Porthdafarch. See EA crash 9.5.41 | Nil | Nil |
| 10.5.41 | 3[Holyhead] | Holyhead, bottom of Newry Rd & Cinder Path | 3xHE [1x1000kg + 2x500kg] | 2 Wounded | Nil |
| 31.5.41 | 5[Menai Bridge] | Ynys y Big, Menai Bridge | 1xHE below high watermark – also possible 1xHE at Menai Bridge Railway Station | Nil | Nil |
| 24.7.41 | 3[Valley] | 2xHE Aberffraw 1xHE Bodedern 1xHE Llanfaethlu | - | 4 Sheep killed | Nil |
| 24.10.41 | 3[Valley] | Penyrargae Cerrig Camog Farm, Llanfachraeth OS115/333878 | 2x Parachute Mines. The Farm crater can be seen in aerial photo 13.8.45 [File 14/4381], since filled in. | Nil | Nil |
| 1.11.41 | 4[Llangefni] | Bwlch-y-Fentir Farm Bodffordd | He.111 shot down & crashed with bombs still onboard. 1xHE exploded, 1xHE UXB, 1x250kg UXB | Nil | Nil |
| 8.11.41 | | Holyhead | EA dropped bombs through cloud, 74 Sqn report? | | |

Notes:

- 1.49 Bomb damage to Messrs Turners, London House, Boston St was to be repaired after the Air Raid in 1941.
- 24.10.52 Bomb damage to Bethel Welsh Methodist Church, Glanymor, Holyhead to be repaired after bomb damage on the night of 9.4.41.