Surname:	First Name(s):		Army Number:		
Fosdick	Barbara		W/74662		
Maiden name (if	Name used during service:		Rank:		
applicable):			Private / Gunner (Volunteer)		
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Year(s) of service:	Reason for discharge:		Trade:		
261 VICE:	Demobilised		Spotter		
12/8/1941 to			Telephonist - Plotter		
20/4/1946					
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	Derberg Mason and 47				
Barbara Mason aged 17 Spotter on Duty when enemy plane destroyed				estroved	
	(Press photo, Newcastle)				

Description of We did rotating shifts – 8 hours – 24 hours a day. • daily tasks: As a Spotter I identified all aircraft and directed instruments. • As a Plotter Telephonist I tracked enemy aircraft. • • Few fatigues as we worked many nights – we seldom stayed in one city for long, but went where the blitz was heaviest. Pay book: (Paybook damaged by water -copy from records office) Barbara Source 5055647 4. Regiment A.T.S. 500 or Corps AAX Nature of Engagement CLYU D. m. 23 Date of Joining (Army Class) 7. Date of Bi National Dual No 4.3 9. Religion 10. Industry Group 12. Cause of 1.1.4 Son 109 GEN/4140/AGILE/d WESTON SUPE h SOMER SE 13. Single or Married Weston S. Ma 14. Home Town and County (U.K.) X Date Rejoin Country (abroad) Somesset HE BY ALDER ES NERY RADS LEED M 1860/271, 2,000M.7/41, H. D. & Co. 51-650, 8-20 Offr's offr HONITON Part II Order Offri Part II Order Pro Part II Order 743ATS. TO 124 4.75.66. 31 HAD. 03-17-94 473 BKG 31 10 4 104/30.5% JEF 27.5% 12 23 16 173 2 42 30 Y. List & 46 V Just and 30.12. 14 JE 20 00 620 113 Regt 2 2 14 26 11 468/ 133. Regr. 2 · LIST (E) DA 3. 1188 to Central Card Index O U/LIST Dates on which A 23367 2 44 Sz 100 14 -Memorable I was on duty as a Spotter when enemy aircraft attacked ships around Newcastle. • moments: Our section 'Type Orange' was the first Battery to bring down a plane using women to direct the guns. I had been in Ack Ack for only 3 months and was 17 vears old. They were terrible times and good times and we made lasting friendships that • continue to this day. When our guns 'stood down' in 1945 many of us were sent to Aldershot as storewomen in the Royal Army Ordnance Corps and to await demob. Mine came in April 1946.

