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OFFICER, GEORGE JOHN

401078

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SURNAME ..... *Officer* ..... NUMBER ..... *401078* .....

CHRISTIAN NAMES ..... *George John* .....

AIR FORCE RANK AND MUSTERING ..... *N/A* ..... *450 Sgd* .....

DEGREES ETC. ....

DATE OF BIRTH ..... PLACE .....

EDUCATED .....

DATE OF ENTERING SERVICE .....

PREVIOUS SERVICE EXPERIENCE .....

PLACES OF TRAINING .....

CIVILIAN CAREER AND ACTIVITIES .....

SPORT (TEAMS REPRESENTED) CLUBS ETC. ....

FATHER .....

WIFE .....

HOME ADDRESS *H. Taimson Street Warrambul Victoria* .....

SIGNATURE .....

DATE .....

DATE OF EMBARKATION .....

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AWARDS .....

CATEGORY ..... INTERVIEWS .....

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Aus.401078 Warrant Officer George John OFFICE,  
450 Squadron, Bomber Command.

12 Taimeson Street, Warmanbol, Victoria.

I was shot down on the 3 Nov 42 in a Kittyhawk of which I was the pilot, south east of Derna on Fighter Patrol.

I was picked up at once by Germans and was taken to Mersa Matruh and then handed over to the Italians.

I was wounded in the leg and arm and sent to hospital.

Camps in which imprisoned.

P.G.75	30 Nov 42 - Feb 43
P.G.85	Mar 43 - Jul 43
P.G.57	Jul 43 - Sep 43
Stalag IVB	Sep 43 - Apr 45.

Attempted escape.

Together with Sapper W.Wilson 28th Engineers, in a small farm compound I jumped out of the compound. My idea was to get hold of a small aircraft and get to Africa.

The dogs round the farms came out and roused the farmers, who shot at us with shot guns. The dogs came right on top of us and the farmer who was a carabinieri home on leave handed us back to the camp.

Liberation.

I was liberated by Russians on Apr 45.