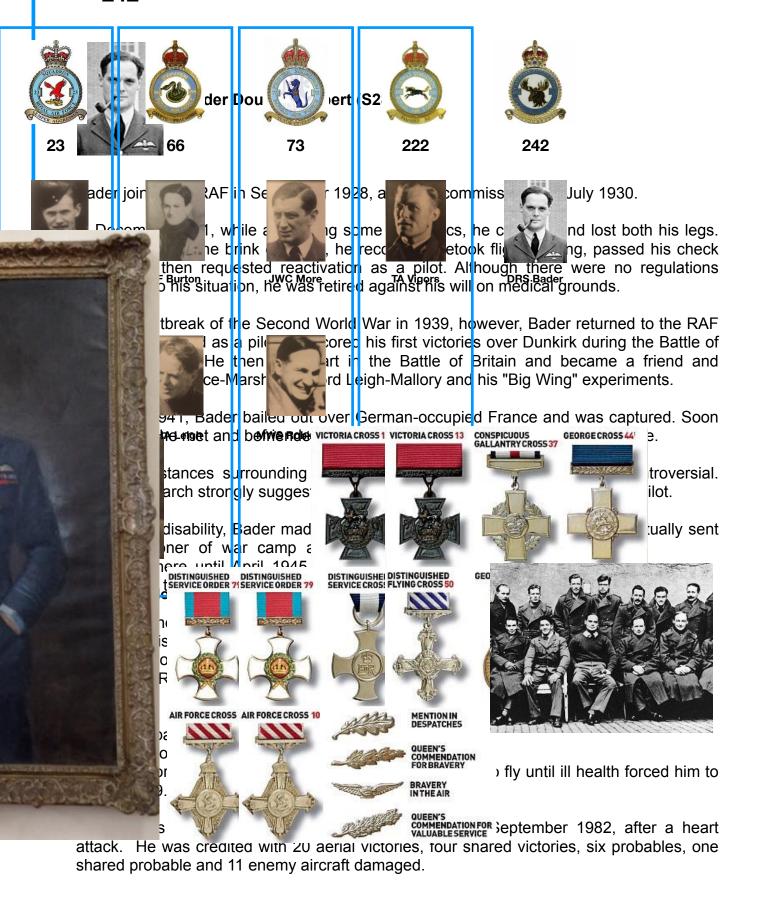
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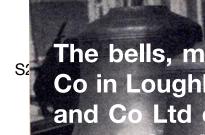
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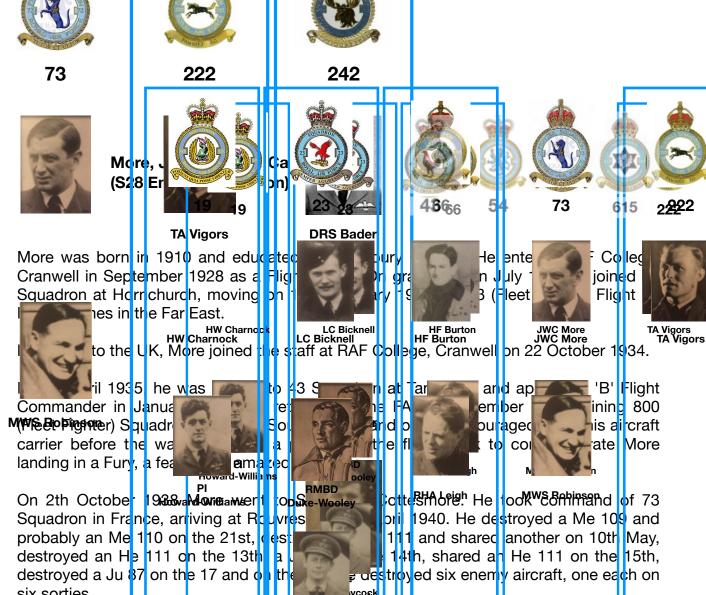




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Belchem attended Crewkerne School and went on to the RAF College Cranwell in September 1928 as a Flight Cadet. He graduated in December 1930 and was posted to 19 Squadron at Duxford.





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More was awarded the DFC (gazetted \$80 the yearly 1940).

He was promoted to Acting Wing Commander on 8 August and posted to HQ 9 Group on 4 September. More was a Sector Commander in 1941 and in July was badly injured when he crashed in a Beaufighter. He was made an OBE (gazetted 1st January 1942).

In late 1941, More was posted to the Far East.

He was a Group Captain SASO in January 1943. On the 22 January, he went to Maungdaw airfield to brief crews for an attack on Prome and other targets. On impulse, he decided to fly with 615 Squadron on the sortie, taking the aircraft of a Flight Sergeant. In the attack More's Hurricane was hit by ground fire and crashed on the opposite side of the river tram Prome itself.

He was seen to be standing by his aircraft and was later reported captured by the Japanese. After making a nuisance of himself to his captors, More was sent by sea to Japan in 1944. His ship, the Rakuyo Maru, was torpedoed and sunk by the US submarine Sealion on 12 September 1944.

He died whilst a POW.