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During the summer of 1940, the Royal Air Force's Bomber Command launched a series of daring daylight attacks against Nazi Germany. These raids were largely forgotten until the publication of Paul Tweddle's book, *1940 Bomber Command: The Forgotten Summer*.

Tweddle's book tells the story of these forgotten raids, and the men who flew them. He draws on a wealth of primary sources, including official

documents, diaries, and letters, to provide a vivid and detailed account of the operations.

The Forgotten Summer is a gripping tale of courage, sacrifice, and determination. It is a must-read for anyone interested in the history of World War II, and in the role of Bomber Command in the war effort.

The Forgotten Raids

The daylight raids of the summer of 1940 were a bold attempt by the RAF to cripple the German war machine. The targets of the raids included oil refineries, aircraft factories, and other strategic targets.

The raids were flown by a mix of aircraft, including Blenheims, Wellingtons, and Whitleys. The crews faced a formidable challenge, as they had to fly through heavily defended airspace. The Luftwaffe was quick to intercept the bombers, and many were shot down.

Despite the risks, the RAF crews pressed on with their attacks. They inflicted significant damage on the German war effort, and helped to keep the Luftwaffe at bay.

The Men Who Flew Them

The crews of the daylight raids were a diverse group of men. They came from all walks of life, and from all over the British Empire. They were united by their courage, their determination, and their willingness to sacrifice themselves for their country.

Tweddle's book tells the stories of some of these men. He introduces us to pilots, navigators, bombardiers, and gunners. We learn about their lives,

their families, and their experiences in the war.

The Forgotten Summer is a tribute to these brave men. It is a reminder of the sacrifices they made, and of the vital role they played in the war effort.

1940 Bomber Command: The Forgotten Summer is a compelling and important book. It tells the story of a largely forgotten chapter in the history of World War II. Tweddle's book is a must-read for anyone interested in the war, and in the role of Bomber Command in the war effort.



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