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Royal Air Force Station Kelstern.

This airfield was built on a flat topped hill in North Lincolnshire during the Second World War, and was opened on 18th August 1943, and closed on the 5th April 1945. Only one bomber Squadron flew from RAF Kelstern, 625 Squadron.

The Squadrons Lancaster bombers took part in all the major raids on targets in Germany and occupied Europe, flying on one hundred and eightyseven raids, but losing thirtyfive aircraft, each with a seven man crew.

After the war had ended the airfield buildings were removed, and soon there was very little to show that a busy airfield had once been there.

On the 25th October 1964, a Memorial was dedicated at the former main entrance to the airfield, paid for by the members of the 625 Squadron Association. Every May afterwards, a short service was held at the Memorial, and former Squadron members gathered for a reunion. However, it is now believed that the 625 Squadron Association has been disbanded, due to the falling numbers of members, and the age of those remaining.

The 625 Squadron still remains, at a lonely windswept cross roads, in the form of the Memorial, almost the only thing to remind the passerby that here was once a busy RAF airfield.

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