



The Dambusters: In the Words of the Bomber Crews (1)

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Amberley Publishing. Hardback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, The Dambusters: In the Words of the Bomber Crews (1), W. B. Bartlett, The story of the legendary bouncing-bomb attack on Nazi Germany's dams. It was not long before midnight on 16 May 1943 when the inhabitants of Gunne, the German town close to the Mohne Dam, heard the air-raid warnings. It was widely regarded as a precautionary measure but ninety minutes later, an immense tidal-wave was roaring down the valley towards them. Guy Gibson, who led 'X' Squadron of 19 specially adapted Lancasters equipped with Barnes Wallis's 'bouncing bomb', knew that the odds were stacked against him and his men. But they would not let him down. Some, like Squadron Leader Young whose bomb breached the dam, would return home as heroes. Others, like Pilot Officer Byers and his crew, would not, shot down just after crossing the North Sea whilst they were still miles away from their targets. A small number of those involved would survive crashed aircraft and live out the war in POW camps. The Dam Busters raids have gone down as perhaps the most famous air-strikes in history. Yet behind the story of courage and determination there...



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