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Serial: 9056

Title: Bristol Bolingbroke Mk. IV serial:9056 Accident Card

Author: Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF)

Subject: This accident involved 1 aircraft on 1942-January-15. Bolingbroke IV s/n 9056. This accident involved 2 people. Smith WD, Wallace JM

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CAUSES OF ACCIDENTS

PILOT | OTHERS | AIRFRAME FAILURE | ENGINE FAILURE

PILOT: JU. TECH. DISOB. NEG'NCE INEXP'NCE MISCEL.
OTHERS: INSTRUCT. FLT.CONTR. OTHERS
AIRFRAME FAILURE: PRIMARY FL.CONTS. MOV.SURFS. STAB.SURFS. W.STRUTS LAND.GEAR FLOATS FUSE.OR HULL TAIL SKID OR W. ENGINE MOUNT. MISCEL. UND'TD
ENGINE FAILURE: PRIMARY FUEL SYS. COOL.SYS. IGNIT.SYS. LUB'N SYS. ENG.STR. AIRSCREW A. ENG. CONTS. MISCEL. UND'TD
MISCELLANEOUS CAUSES: PRIMARY HAND.Q. INSTS. WEATHER DRKNS. A/G SURF. OTHER UND'TD
STAGE OF FLIGHT: PRIMARY TAXYING LANDING TAKE-OFF FLIGHT STAT'RY
INJURY: FATAL INJ. 3RD. S.S.

TYPE OF A/C | TYPE OF ENGINE | CATEGORY

UNIT	COM.	PLACE	DATE	TIME
115 F. Sqdn. Patricia Bay, B.C.	W.A.C.	Main Aerodrome, Pat.Bay.	15-1-42	1220

H.Q. FILE: 1100-90-56

A/C TYPE	No.	CRASH CAT.	SE	ME	DAY	NIGHT
Bolingbroke MK IV	9056	"B"		x	x	

NAME	RANK	No.	DUTY	INJURIES	SERIOUS: FATAL	SERIOUS: INJURY
Smith, W.D.	Sgt.	R80515	P.	Uninjured		
Wallace, J.M.	Sgt.	R76153	2P.	"		

CARD SERIAL No.

TYPE A/F & ENGINE	No.	EXTENT OF DAMAGE	REPORT FORM	SERIAL No.	DATE
Bolingbroke	9056	Serious			
Mercury	2617	Slightly			
"	2588	"			

HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS

INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE: DUAL	ON TYPE: SOLO	TOTAL: DUAL	TOTAL: SOLO	LAST 6 MOS.
21	10	90		280		126

SIGNAL NO. & DATE	UNIT No. & DATE	COM. No. & DATE	REPORT	FILE	DATE

NATURE OF ACCIDENT

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Formation practice.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT: COURT OF INQUIRY

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

PILOT TOOK OFF AND HYDRAULIC SYSTEM FAILED WHEN AIRBORNE. PT.WHEEL HALF RETRACTED WHILE STB'D WHEEL REMAINED LOCKED DOWN. AFTER ATTEMPTING TO LOCK THE UNDERCART DOWN THE PILOT LANDED ON ONE WHEEL. HE HELD THE STB'D WING UP AS LONG AS POSSIBLE AND THEN FINALLY CAME TO REST 50' OFF THE RUNWAY.

DATE: 15-L-42 1200 hrs

COMPOSITION:

PRES. S.L. G.I. PAWSON (34674) 32 OTU. R.A.F.

MEM F.L. C.C. AUSTIN (CL290) 13 (OT) SQUADRON

F.O. E.J. MAGWOOD (J3255) 122 (COMP) SQDN.

F.L. W.E.S. CARTER (CL792) HDQ. SQDN, R.C.A.F. STA. PATRICIA BAY.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~PILOT TOOK OFF UNAWARE OF REMOVAL OF GUN~~ ELEVATING JACK HYDRAULIC LOCK RESULTING IN COMPLETE FAILURE OF HYDRAULIC SYSTEM. GROSS CARELESSNESS ON THE PART OF THE PILOT. IN NOT CARRYING OUT PROPER COCKPIT CHECK. CARELESSNESS ON THE PART OF F/SGT. WHYTE, SENIOR N.C.O. I/C GROUND CREW IN SIGNING A/C SERVICEABLE ~~BEFORE L.14 PROPERLY COMPLETED.~~

17. Forced Landing

ACTION TAKEN:

(A) DISCIPLINARY (B) TECHNICAL (C) OTHER

SGT. SMITH IS TO BE REPRIMANDED AND HIS LOG BOOK ENDORSED "GROSS CARELESSNESS".

F/SGT. WHYTE IS TO BE ALSO REPRIMANDED.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~A/C STRUCK A PILE OF WOODEN PIPES CLOSE TO THE RUNWAY AND CAME TO REST WITH THE U/C IN A CONSTRUCTION DITCH.~~

33 A/C Drilled on Ground

RECORDED BY DATE

CHECKED BY DATE

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