

CASPIR Aircraft Accident Cards

Serial: AS221

Title: Airspeed Oxford Mk. II serial:AS221 Accident Card

Author: Royal Air Force (RAF)

Subject: This accident involved 1 aircraft on 1942-March-15. Oxford s/n AS221. This accident involved 2 people. Waugh R, Wickham BD This accident had 2 fatalities. Leading Aircraftman Ronald Waugh RAFVR Killed in Flying Accident service no:1035973 Oxford AS221, Leading Aircraftman Basil Derek Wickham RAFVR Killed in Flying Accident service no:1333329 Oxford AS221

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Link: <https://caspir.warplane.com/aircraft/serial-search/aircraft-no/200001215#AS221>

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Flying training.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

IAK

Court of Inquiry

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

A/C struck frozen lake in a vertical dive.

DATE: 17/3/42.

COMPOSITION: President 79215 S/LDR. Thompson G.E. 34 SFTS.

Members 40096 P/LT. 440 L.H. 35 S.F.T.S.
41689 P/LT. Fitch R.L.J. 35 S.F.T.S.

74843 S/LDR. Spearpoint H.G. 35 S.F.T.S.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

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PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~Oxford A/C AS221 dived steeply into the frozen surface of Jackfish Lake, and disintegrated.~~

ACTION TAKEN:

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

19. Out of Control

Conclusions of A.I.R.

This was an absolutely inexcusable and needless accident. One pupil was acting as safety pilot and Captain of the A/C for another pupil who was on instruments. The A/C went out of control and dove onto the frozen surface of a lake.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~No evidence can be found as to why this aeroplane went into a steep dive.~~

CONTRIBUTING FACTOR. The flight commander & instructor were both negligent in permitting this flight as one student was "jinxed" & the cloud base was lower than 3000 feet.

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