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Serial: 5955

Title: de Havilland Moth, Tiger I serial:5955 Accident Card

Author: Royal Air Force (RAF)

Subject: This accident involved 1 aircraft on 1942-May-27. Tiger Moth s/n 5955. This accident involved 2 people. Bouchard FH, Vardigans GV

Keywords: RAFTiger Moth ,5955,33 EFTS,33 Elementary Flying Training School,Archydale Saskatchewan,1942-May-27,Bouchard,VardigansRCAF L20

Created: 1942-05-27

Link: https://caspir.warplane.com/aircraft/serial-search/aircraft-no/200001626#5955

CAUSES OF ACCIDENTS

PILOT | OTHERS | AIRFRAME FAILURE | ENGINE FAILURE

JU. | TECH. | DISOB. | NEG'NCE | INEXP'NCE | MISCEL. | INSTRUCT. | FLT. CONTR. | OTHERS | PRIMARY | FL. CONTS. | MOV. SURFS. | STAB. SURFS. | W. STRUTS | LAND. GEAR | FLOATS | FUSE. OR HULL | TAIL SKID OR W. | ENGINE MOUNT. | MISCEL. | UND'TD | PRIMARY | FUEL SYS. | COOL. SYS. | IGNIT. SYS. | LUB'N SYS. | ENG. STR. | AIRSCREW A. | ENG. CONTS. | MISCEL. | UND'TD | PRIMARY

TYPE OF A/C | TYPE OF ENGINE | CATEGORY | MISCELLANEOUS CAUSES | STAGE OF FLIGHT | INJURY

HAND'G. | INSTS. | WEATHER | DRKNS. | AL'G SURF. | OTHER | UND'TD | PRIMARY | TAXYING | LANDING | TAKE-OFF | FLIGHT | STAT'RY | FATAL | INJ. | 3RD. | S. | N.

UNIT: 33 E.F.T.S. Caron, Sask. | COM.: 4 | PLACE: 4 miles North West Archydale, Sask. | DATE: 27-5-42 | TIME: 1420 | H.Q. FILE: 1700-59-55

A/C TYPE: Tiger Moth | No.: 5955 | CRASH CAT.: A | SE: X | ME: | DAY: X | NIGHT:

NAME	RANK	No.	DUTY	INJURIES	SERIOUS: FATAL	SERIOUS: INJURY
Bouchard F.H.	SGT.	GB914682	P	Died from injuries.	1	1
Vardigans, G.V.	LAC.	GB658793	P.P.	Seriously injured. (Pupil passenger)		

CARD SERIAL No.:

TYPE A/F & ENGINE	No.	EXTENT OF DAMAGE	REPORT FORM	SERIAL No.	DATE
Tiger Moth	5955	Totally			
Gypsy M.	268652/85767	Totally			

HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS

INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE: DUAL	ON TYPE: SOLO	TOTAL: DUAL	TOTAL: SOLO	LAST 6 MOS.
11	3	505		648		112
		28;15		28;15		28;15

SIGNAL No. & DATE	UNIT No. & DATE	COM. No. & DATE	REPORT	FILE	DATE
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NATURE OF ACCIDENT

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 RAF 32

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Dual instructions.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

Aircraft crashed while pilot was demonstrating low flying, in an authorized low flying area. A/C was totally damaged.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~Obscure - Possibility of loss of control due to stalling or mis-handling of the Elevator Trim Lever by Sgt. Bouchard, causing momentary dive accentuated by bumpy weather conditions at low altitude.~~

OUT OF CONTROL

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~A/C crashed and was totally damaged.~~

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

DATE: 28-5-42 LOC/

COMPOSITION:

Pres. S.L. A.G. Wilson 32 S.F.T.S. Moose Jaw.
Mem.. F.L. J.E. Jackson 33 E.F.T.S. Caron, Sask.
F.O. M.C. Luckham 33 E.F.T.S. Caron, Sask.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Notice attached to Form L.14 of all Tiger Moth aircraft, stating peculiarities of rigging or flying behaviour of the individual aircraft for guidance of pilots flying unfamiliar a/c.
Note;
These recommendations are not concurred in by A.O.C.

ACTION TAKEN:
(A) DISCIPLINARY (B) TECHNICAL (C) OTHER

Nil

Conclusions of A.I.B.

Pilot partially lost control while flying at low altitude in bumpy air conditions and failed to regain complete control in time to avert the crash.

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