

CASPIR Aircraft Accident Cards

Serial: 2881

Title: North American Harvard Mk.II serial:2881 Accident Card

Author: Royal Air Force (RAF)

Subject: This accident involved 1 aircraft on 1943-March-29. Harvard II s/n 2881. This accident involved 1 person. Dexter HK This accident had 1 fatality. Sergeant Harvey Kenneth Dexter RCAF Killed in Flying Accident service no:R/225047 Harvard 2881

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Link: <https://caspir.warplane.com/aircraft/serial-search/aircraft-no/200000852#2881>

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Forced landing and precautionary landing practice.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

COURT OF INQUIRY

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

A/C collided with radio mast while trying to find aerodrome in fog.

DATE: 30 March/43

F/L. C.R. Barrett (61470),

COMPOSITION:

#39 SFTS.

F/L. R.F. Hunter (44260)

P/O. J.W.V. Andrews (1338094)

#34 SFTS.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B. (862)

Nil

Agree with findings. Note: This unit apparently is using authorization form F.20(a) whereas form F.17 should be used. Remarks of C.I.A.: I agree with this report. The matter was referred to the Met. Advisor, A.M.T., & he agrees with the comment by the Station Met. Officer in charge of flying could not anticipate the extremely rapid deterioration in visibility. The fog did not form locally but was carried in by the wind.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~47. Weather.~~

Findings of Investigation

~~Actual cause was collision with radio range tower; contributory factor being poor visibility in fog & possibility of obstruction lights on tower not being lit.~~

ACTION TAKEN:

(A) DISCIPLINARY

(B) TECHNICAL (C) OTHER

22. Collisions Obstructions

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~41. Hitting obstructions.~~

32. Error of judgment (Pupil should have attempted precautionary landing instead of flying through fog.

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