

PILOT		OTHERS		AIRFRAME FAILURE				ENGINE FAILURE			
CAUSES OF ACCIDENTS											
UNIT 1 O.T.U. Bagotville		COM. EAC		PLACE On Lake St. John, 3 miles from Chambord, Que.				DATE 16-3-43		1030	
A/C TYPE Hurricane 11B		No. 5431		CRASH CAT. A		SE X		ME		DAY NIGHT x	
NAME Unwin, L.A.			RANK F/O	No. J10393	DUTY P.	INJURIES Slight			SERIOUS FATAL INJURY 1		
TYPE A/F & ENGINE Hurricane 5431 Total			No. A265468/A-504	Total	DATE	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					
SIGNAL No. & DATE A-202 17-3-43		UNIT No. & DATE		COM. No. & DATE		REPORT		FILE		DATE	
NATURE OF ACCIDENT											

CATEGORY: TYPE OF ENGINE (1-16), TYPE OF A/C (1-6)

CAUSES: MISCELLANEOUS (1-10), FLIGHT STAGE (1-6)

INSTS. WEATHER DRKNS. AL'S SURF. OTHER UND TO PRIMARY TAXIING LANDING FLIGHT TAKEOFF STATRY FATAL INJ. 3RD. RAF

TECH. (1-2), RISOS (1-2), NEG-NGE (1-2), INEXP-NGE (1-2), MISCELL. (1-2), INSTRUCT. (1-2), FLT. CONTR. (1-2), OTHERS (1-2), PRIMARY (1-2), FL CONTRS. (1-2), MOV. SURFS. (1-2), STAB. SURFS. (1-2), W. STRUTS (1-2), LAND GEAR (1-2), FLOATS (1-2), FUSE. OR FAILL. (1-2), TAIL SKID OR W. (1-2), ENGINE MOUNT (1-2), MISCEL. (1-2), UND TO (1-2), PRIMARY (1-2), FUEL SYS. (1-2), COOL SYS. (1-2), IGNIT. SYS. (1-2), LUB'G SYS. (1-2), ENG STR. (1-2), AIRSCREW A. (1-2), ENG. CONTRS. (1-2), MISCEL. (1-2), UND TO (1-2), PRIMARY (1-2)

19, 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Rhubarb patrol.
(Low level attack)

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

COURT OF INQUIRY

DATE: 18-3-43.

COMPOSITION:

S/L Fumerton, R.C. No. 1 O.T.U. Bagotville.

1106/100

RECOMMENDATIONS:

As this cause is not clear recommendations are not in order, but I would suggest that in future low level attacks be carried out in the vicinity of Islands where it is possible to judge height.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~59. Obscure.~~

23. Not known.

ACTION TAKEN:

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

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

A/C WHEN CROSSING BENEATH THE LEADER ON A TURN, DURING A PRACTICE SECTION LOW LEVEL ATTACK STRUCK THE SNOW ON A FROZEN LAKE AND CRASHED; PROBABLY DUE TO AN ERROR IN JUDGMENT ON THE PART OF THE PILOT AS TO ALTITUDE, WHEN FLYING LOW OVER THE SNOW COVERED LAKE AND AT THE SAME TIME WATCHING HIS LEADER IN THE TURN ABOVE.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

RECORDED BY _____

DATE _____

CHECKED BY _____

DATE _____