

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Routine training flight.

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Nil

12/7/58
12/4/58

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

A/C AT450 was slightly ahead and below AT458 and the a/c were approaching parallel runways. Aerodrome control pilot fired signal to warn pilots and both a/c turned to left AT458 striking tail of a/c AT450.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2063

The cause of the accident cannot definitely be stated but it would appear to have been caused by the inability of the pilot of Oxford 458 to maintain control of his a/c with the result that it drifted over and struck Oxford 450. A contributing factor may have been the wind from the S.W. at 15-18 m.p.h. which would have given port drift. It is to be noted that the flying ability of LAC Crake was not of a very high standard.

CLASSIFICATION:

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26. Collision in the air.

21. Collision A/C.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

Mid-air collision on approach to land, a/c AT458 drifted to port and collided with a/c AT450.

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

ACTION TAKEN:

Nil