

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Night flying training.

Report being submitted.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

Officer in Charge of night flying took off at 1900 hours to make weather

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

check. Three a/c including a/c 7901

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2126

were permitted to take-off. Ceiling lowered to 1500' and weather was still closing in. F/O Smith ordered flying to be washed out. F/O Gentles saw a/c 7901 on its down wind leg during which it was requested and was given permission to land. He kept it in sight until it turned into its leeward cross wind leg and 1 1/2 minutes after lost sight of it. Observed glow of fire West where a/c should have

Obsure - probably failure on part of pupil pilot to check his instruments when he turned into the leeward cross wind leg.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Nil

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

Agree with the findings.
F.17 was not being filled in at this Unit until time cards have been turned in upon completion of flights.
Pupil failed to maintain equilibrium on instruments in deteriorating weather conditions. Officer i/c night flying had taken

CLASSIFICATION:

21, ~~Inability to maintain equilibrium on instruments.~~

ACTION TAKEN: all reasonable precautions.

Nil

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SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

- 18. ~~Loss of control.~~
- 19. ~~Pilot error.~~
- 19. ~~Bad weather.~~