

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT 32 O.T.U. Patricia Bay	COM. W	PLACE In sea off Turn Point Light, NE of Stuart	DATE 9-10-48	TIME 1415
A/C TYPE HAMPDEN I	No. AN101	CRASH CAT. "A"	S.E.	M.E.
		H.Q. FILE 1300-AN101		DAY X
				NIGHT X

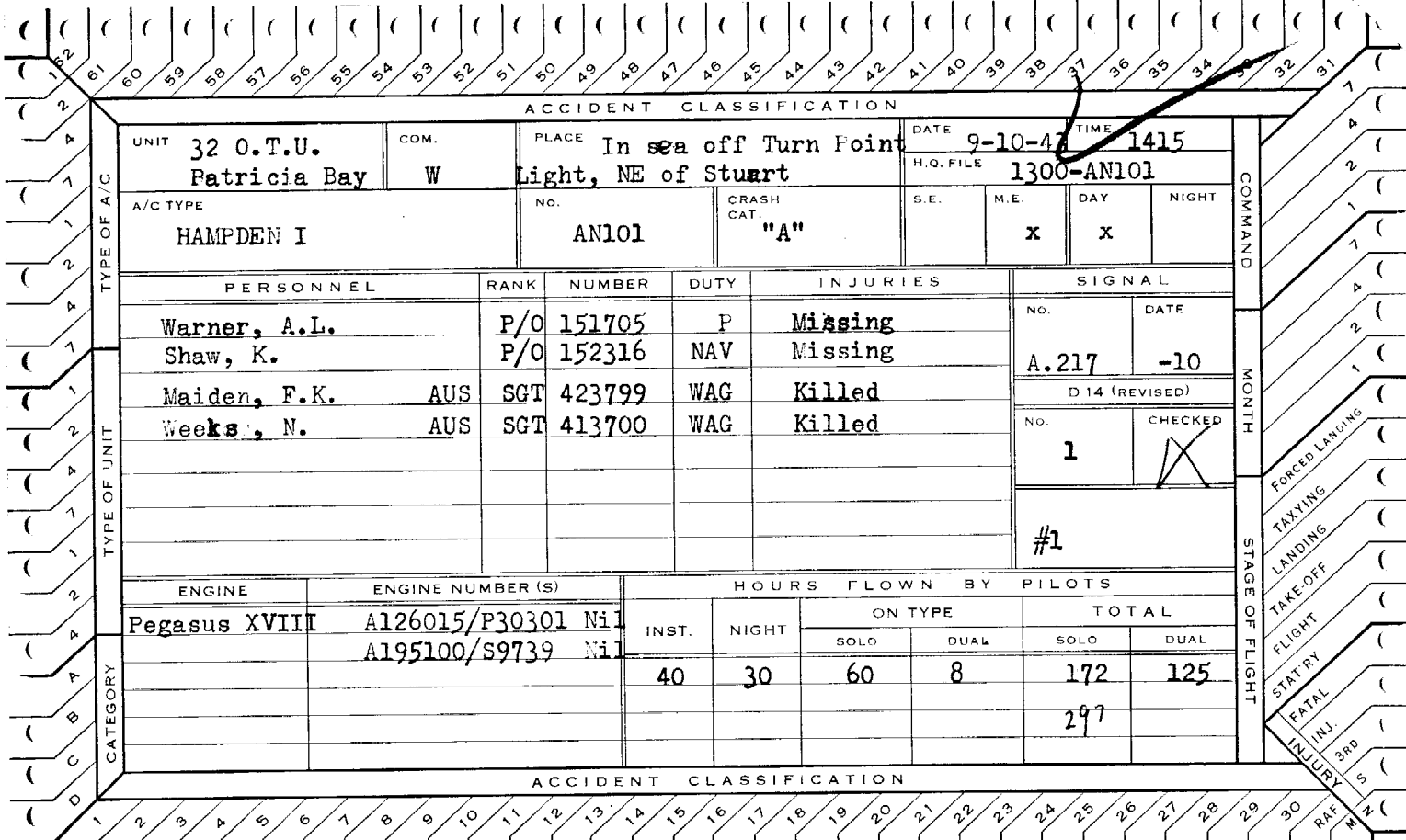
PERSONNEL	RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES	SIGNAL	
Warner, A.L.	P/O	151705	P	Missing	NO.	DATE
Shaw, K.	P/O	152316	NAV	Missing	A.217	-10
Maiden, F.K.	AUS SGT	423799	WAG	Killed	D 14 (REVISED)	
Weeks, N.	AUS SGT	413700	WAG	Killed	NO.	CHECKED
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ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER (S)	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					
		INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL	
Pegasus XVIII	A126015/P30301 Ni	40	30	SOLO	DUAL	SOLO	DUAL
	A195100/S9739 Ni			60	8	172	125
						297	

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COMMAND
MONTH
STAGE OF FLIGHT

FORCED LANDING
TAXIING
LANDING
TAKE-OFF
FLIGHT
STATRY
FATAL
INJURY
3RD
M 5



PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Light torpedo attacks.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

A/C was engaged on practicing light attacks and was observed to crash into the sea about a mile away from C.P.R. Steamship "Princess Alice".

CLASSIFICATION:

18. Loss of control.

OUT OF CONTROL

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SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

19. Bad weather.

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Nil

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2122

CIRCUMSTANCES: "A/C crashed in sea following steep turn to port".

Cause: Pilot error, Pilot failed to make turn to port with sufficient care and accuracy to prevent a/c from losing height and then failed to take proper corrective action.

Recommendations: Recommended that more adequate and repeated instructions be given all students pilots at No. 32 O.T.U. in proper method of making all types of turns in Hampden a/c, particular reference to steep turns to port and emphasizing probable result if such instructions were carried out accurately, also method of recovery when Hampden a/c commences to lose altitude in a turn.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B. Two missing members may be presumed dead. Agree. Left-hand turns in this type are liable to develop into stall unless pilots takes care to keep plenty of speed in hand.

ACTION TAKEN:

Nil