

## CASPIR Aircraft Accident Cards

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**Serial:** V3312

**Title:** Airspeed Oxford Mk. I serial:V3312 Accident Card

**Author:** Royal Air Force (RAF)

**Subject:** This accident involved 2 aircraft on 1943-November-23. They are: Oxford II s/n AS207, Oxford II s/n V3312. This accident involved 4 people. Knights AJR, Crane KW, Sutcliffe JP, Nuttall E This accident had 1 fatality. Flying Officer Albert John Reginald Knights RAFVR Killed in Flying Accident service no:135128 Oxford AS207

**Keywords:** RAFOxford II,V3312,35 SFTS,35 Service Flying Training School,Chauvin Alberta,1943-November-23,Crane,Knights,Nuttall,SutcliffeRCAF L20

**Created:** 1943-11-23

**Link:** <https://caspir.warplane.com/aircraft/serial-search/aircraft-no/200001215#V3312>



PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Instrument Flying-Cross Country

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Nil

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*12/11/11*

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

Lac Crane made successful landing by parachute. Pilot of a/c AS207 tried to engage V3312 in dogfight. V3312 trying to break away collided with AS207 tearing off tailplane of AS207. A/C AS207 went into vertical dive was totally destroyed. V3312 returned to base, only slightly damaged. Pilot of AS207 made no effort to abandon a/c.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2168

Loss of control following mid-air collision. Dangerous and unauthorized flying by pilot of Oxford AS207.

Conclusions of A.I.P.

This aircraft crashed following mid-air collision during unauthorized air fighting practice by its pilot. The collision was due to a breach of flying regulations. Action of F/O Knights after collision is quite inexplicable unless paralysed by fear. Note: Investigation Officer found breach of C.A.P. 100 Section 1, para.28 which prohibits a pilot to join or interfere with any single a/c without prior arrangements and authorization.

CLASSIFICATION:

~~26. Collision in Air.~~

*27 Collision - A/c 21*

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

~~17. Disobedience of Standing Orders.~~

*41 Disobedience of Orders*

ACTION TAKEN:

Nil