

## CASPIR Aircraft Accident Cards

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**Serial:** 9781

**Title:** Consolidated Canso A serial:9781 Accident Card

**Author:** Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF)

**Subject:** This accident involved 1 aircraft on 1944-February-04. Canso s/n 9781. This accident involved 8 people. Boothe JG, Forth RK, Gillatt WH, Mcnicholl WE, Moon ES, Skilleter JA, Sloan PE, Starr PR

**Keywords:** RCAF Canso ,9781,116 Sqn,116 Squadron,,1944-February-04,Boothe,Forth,Gillatt,Mcnicoll,Moon,Skilleter,Sloan,StarrRCAF L20

**Created:** 1944-02-04

**Link:** <https://caspir.warplane.com/aircraft/serial-search/aircraft-no/200000357#9781>

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT 116 Sqdn. Gander, Nfld.		COM. EAC	PLACE		DATE 4-2-44	TIME			
A/C TYPE CANSO		NO. A9781	CRASH CAT. HAH		H.Q. FILE 1300-A0781	S.E.	M.E. X		
PERSONNEL		RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES		SIGNAL		
Starr, P.R.		WO2	R58318	Co.P	Missing		NO. DATE		
Boothe, J.G.		WO2	R118129	NAV	"		A812 4-2-44		
Moon, E.S.		WO2	R105266	WAG	"		D 14 (REVISED)		
Forth, R.K.		WGT	R167357	WAG	"		NO. CHECKED		
Sloan, P.E.		SGT	R180966	WAG	"		<del>CR</del> / <del>KT</del> 8 / 8		
Skilleter, J.A.		F/SGTR	R53890	Engineer.	"				
Gillatt, W.H.		SGT	R98982	Engineer.	"				
McNicholl, W.E.		P/O	J35964	P	"				
ENGINE		ENGINE NUMBER (S)		HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					
				INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL	
						SOLO	DUAL	SOLO	DUAL

COMMAND  
 MONTH  
 STAGE OF FLIGHT

FORCED LANDING  
 TAXING  
 LANDING  
 TAKE-OFF  
 FLIGHT  
 STATRY  
 FATAL  
 INJ.  
 INJURY

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Patrol

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

*FS/FCM/XCR*

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

Obscure.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2279

CIRCUMSTANCES: Took off on an authorized patrol, became lost, ditched in sea, although sighted by amphibious a/c, not rescued.

CAUSE: Became lost, a/c battered by ice floe, sank crew in dinghies not rescued.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Further investigation need not be made by Investigating Officer as facts and pictures speak for themselves.

Refer to Summary No. 2279.

CLASSIFICATION:

~~57. Miscellaneous.~~

*13. Not known*

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SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

ACTION TAKEN: