Second World War - Pilot Officer M Hubbard, Sergeant D W Smith, Sergeant K W B Perkins, Sergeant D Davey: killed; aircraft accident, Hampden X3154, 106 Squadron, 21 December 1940

The following is from the National Archives: 81/4637
REPORT ON FLYING ACCIDENT OR FORCED LANDING NOT ATTRIBUTABLE TO ENEMY ACTION

Form 765 (C) (Revised)

(i) This incident has already been reported to the Air Ministry by signal, reference No. 7.957, 21.12. Two copies of form 765 (C) accordingly now sent direct to Air Ministry.

(ii) This incident has not been reported by signal to the Air Ministry. One copy of form 765 (C) now sent direct to Air Ministry.

1. Unit. No. 106 Squadron.
   Command. Bomber.

2. Serial No. of Form. 33.

3. Date of Incident. 21.12.40.

4. Site of Incident—
   (A) Aerodrome, name of.
   (B) Landing ground, name of.
   (C) Place, if not (A) or (B).

   (i) Operational ...
   (ii) Non-operational ...
   (g) Solo ab initio ...
   (h) Dual ab initio ...
   (e) Other non-operational ...

See footnotes A

Caselton Rd, Chapel-le-Frith Derbyshire (See footnote A)

6. Pilot.
   Name HUBBARD, M.
   Rank P/O.
   Number 83929.

   Hours flown solo on type quoted in Part 7 ...
   Total ...

   Hours flown on Link Trainer ...

   (See footnotes C)

7. TYPE OF AIRFRAME AND ENGINE and extent of damage (see footnotes to this section).

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<td>Type</td>
<td>Napier</td>
<td>Starboard Port.</td>
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<td>Mark or series</td>
<td>XV111</td>
<td>Centre Port.</td>
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<td>R.A.F. No.</td>
<td>X5154</td>
<td>Centre Starboard</td>
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<td>Total hours run</td>
<td>23.00</td>
<td>8.45</td>
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<td>Date last installed in airframe</td>
<td>161.40</td>
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8. Did fire occur (i) In air? No. (ii) On ground? Yes.

9. Was Accidents Branch notified? Yes.

10. Was Salvage Organisation notified? Yes.

11. Is (A) a Court of Inquiry or (B) an Investigation being held or (C) a commanding officer's full report being rendered? A.

12. This flight is being included in this Unit's flying hour summary on Form 765 A.

13. Occupants killed, or missing, or who received injuries necessitating admission to sick quarters or hospital.

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<td>P/O</td>
<td>M. Hubbard</td>
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<td>Sgt.</td>
<td>K.W.B. Perkins</td>
<td>500085</td>
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<td>Sgt.</td>
<td>D.W. Smith</td>
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Notes — (A) (Part 6)—Applicable only to elementary or intermediate training at flying training schools.

F (Part 6)—Night flying hours required only if incident occurred at night.

T (Part 6)—Instrument and Link Trainer hours required only if loss of control at night or in bad visibility or cloud by day was the sole or a contributory cause of the accident.

P.T.O.
14. Summary of pilot's report (to be given in every case). In addition, in cases of engine failure, information given as to the behaviour of engine and details of throttle movement immediately before failure.

Pilot killed.

Height at which engine failure occurred

During take-off run.  A.
Before reaching 500 ft  B.
After reaching 500 ft.  C.

Quote A, B, or C as appropriate...N.A............

15. Technical report by unit's specialist officer.

(i) Remarks.

Aircraft a complete write-off.
Machine appears to have flown straight into side of hill
and caught fire.

(ii) Is Form 1022 being rendered?  No.  (Sgd)- ALEX. D. STEWART  F/O.

16. Remarks by Unit Commander and notes of any action taken as a result of this incident (other than action noted in Parts 9, 10, 11, and 15 (ii)).

(i) Diagnosis of primary cause of accident or forced landing.

Unknown.

(ii) Diagnosis of secondary cause of accident or forced landing.

Unknown.

(iii) General remarks (including any recommendations with regard to personnel, training, airframes, engines, accessories).

Court of enquiry being convened.

Signature  (Sgd) A. THREAPLETON, S/L.  106 Squadron.  23.12.40.

Commanding..........................  Date..........................
24 December, 1940.

Sir,

I am commanded by the Air Council to express to you their great regret on learning that your son, Pilot Officer Michael Hubbard, Royal Air Force, lost his life as the result of an aircraft accident on 21st December, 1940.

The Air Council desire me to convey their profound sympathy to you in your bereavement.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Sgd.) CHARLES EVANS.

E.J. Hubbard, Esq.,
Stoughton Lodge,
Stoughton Road,
Leicester.
AM WH1
AM Y NR23/B58 PASS TO AM P4
CGP5 NR11/B602 PASS TO AM C1
GPE NR3/B366 PASS TO 5 GRP = 58 HU = 106 SQDN
AMC IMPORTANT SECRET NOT WT GR52
ADDRESS TO AMP4(CAS) = AMC1(ACCDTS) = 5GROUP =
BOMBER COMMAND = RECORDS = 58 HU NEWARK =
106 SQDN = 43GROUP SALVAGE

FROM RINGWAY
T599 21/12
FURTHER INFORMATION TO OUR T597
AMEND FB TO READ FA
A IDENTIFICATION LETTERS ZN
F NO
G FLEW INTO HILLSIDE. CAUSE OF LOW FLYING UNKNOWN. CONSIDER
AIB NECESSARY NEXT OF KIN BEING INFORMED === 1500

FTT/0201/23 B/C1

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TELEGRAM EN CLAIR.

To: A.M. (P.4. Cas and C.I. Accidents) No.5 Group Bomber Command
Records 58 M.U. Newark No.43 Group Salvage Oxford 106 Squadron
Finningley.

From: Ringway.

CASUALTY

Received A.M.C.S. 0241 hrs. 22.12.40.

IMPORTANT SECRET NOTWT.

T.597 21/12. (F.B) (A) Haselden X 3151. (B) 106 Squadron
2045 hrs 21/12/40 dark (C) 21/12/40 dark (D) P/O H. Hubard (G2552) Srgt. Smith (648210),
Frith Mortuary. (F) Not known. (G) Not known. (H) Complete wreck. Oat. E:
(Burnt) Salvage Assistance required. (K) 58 M.U. Newark.

Time of Origin 1100 hrs.

CRASH GIRC.

Advance copies sent to: P.4. Cas.
D.R.M.
QMO/AM/4002/B530 PASS TO AM C1 (ACCS)

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AM/ NR 1259/B968 PASS TO AM P4 (CAS)

GPE NR 289/B338 PASS TO 5 GROUP AND 58 MU 106 SQUADRON FINNINGLEY

HBC NR 174/B242 PASS TO BOMBER COMMAND

AMC IMPORTANT SECRET NOT WT

GR95

ADDRESS TO 1-AM P4 (CAS) = AM C1 (ACCDTS) = NO5 GROUP =

BOMBER COMMAND = RECORDS = 58MU NEWARK = NO43 GROUP SALVAGE

OXFORD = 106 SQUADRON FINNINGLEY

FROM 1- RINGWAY

T597 21/12

FB

A. HAMPDEN X3154

B. 106 SQUADRON RAF FINNINGLEY

C. CASTLETON ROAD CHAPEL -IN-LE-FRITH, DERBYSHIRE. 2045 HRS

21/12/40 DARK

D. P/O M. HUBBARD (83259), SGT SMITH (648240), SGT PERKINS

(590585), SGT DAVEY (553939). ALL DEAD

E. CHAPEL -IN-LE-FRITH MORTUARY

F. NOT KNOWN

G. NOT KNOWN

H. COMPLETE WRECK. CATEGORY "E" (BURNT) SALVAGE ASSISTANCE

REQUIRED

K. 5MMX3XXX 58MU NEWARK

1100

RJR/0241/22 E/CAST+

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82 DEC. 1940

CASUALTY
SECTION.
CASUALTY VERIFICATION SHEET.

Name of officer: HUBBARD

MICHAEL

Rank & No.: P/o 53259

Date of Birth:  

Place of birth:  

Unit: 106 SQN.

Type of commission: RAF VR GD

Date of casualty: 21. 12. 40

Date and reference of report:  

Name & address of wife (if any):  

None

If to be informed of casualties:  

Particulars of next-of-kin (other than wife):  

(Father)  

To J. Hubbard

Stoughton Lodge

Stoughton Road, Leicesters

Any other persons to be informed of casualties:


