

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

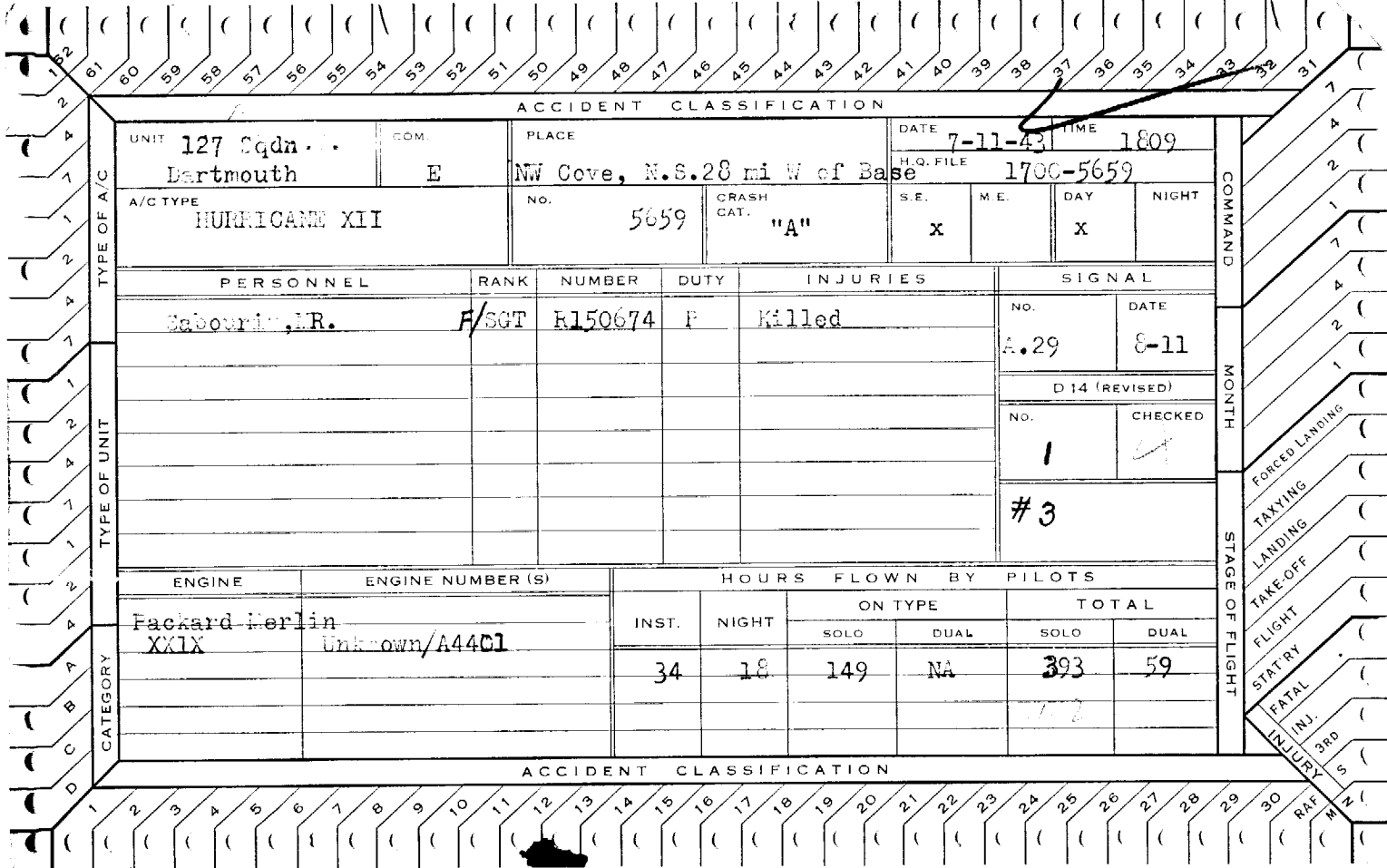
UNIT 127 Sqn. . Bartmouth		COM. E	PLACE NW Cove, N.S. 28 mi W of Base		DATE 7-11-43	TIME 1809		
A/C TYPE HURRICANE XII		No. 5659	CRASH CAT. "A"		H.Q. FILE 1700-5659			
PERSONNEL		RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES		SIGNAL	
Sabourin, J.R.		F/SGT	R150674	F	Killed		No. A.29	DATE 8-11
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ENGINE		ENGINE NUMBER (S)		HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS				
Packard Merlin XX1X		Unknown/A44C1		INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL
				SOLO	DUAL	SOLO	DUAL	
				34	18	149	NA	393 59

TYPE OF A/C  
TYPE OF UNIT  
CATEGORY

COMMAND  
MONTH  
STAGE OF FLIGHT

FORCED LANDING  
TAXYING  
LANDING  
TAKE OFF  
FLIGHT  
STATRY  
FATAL  
INJURY  
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PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Dusk Patrol

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Engine failure was caused by connecting rod of #3 cylinders breaking.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

Engine failed giving off occasional white puffs of smoke from exhaust ports. Pilot announced his intention of baling out. Gliding down from 2500 ft. to 1000 ft. a/c suddenly turned on its right side and dove straight into the ground leaving a trail of white smoke from about 800 ft. down.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2142

CIRCUMSTANCES - "While in formation on Dusk Patrol" engine failed and a/c dived out of control, and crashed and burned.

CAUSE - Engine failure caused by a structural failure in a connecting rod which broke.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Nil

CONCLUSIONS OF AIB

Agree with findings

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54. ~~Engine failure in the air.~~ 17

17. *Forced Landing*

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

32. ~~Pilot error.~~

29. *Time-in-crash* 29

This is the third failure of this type recently in Packard Merlins where the journal had not been discoloured but the connecting rod had broken. The accident was due to the pilot stalling the a/c after

ACTION TAKEN:

complete engine failure.

Nil.