

Follow-up Action on Occurrence Report

ACCIDENT TO SLINGSBY T51 DART 15 GLIDER, BGA1166, AT SUTTON BANK, YORKS ON 30 AUGUST 2006

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OPERATOR : Private
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SYNOPSIS

From AAIB Report:

During a local flight from a hill-top gliding site, the glider descended in weak ridge lift until it was too low to land safely back at the airfield. However, the pilot appears to have made an attempt to do so and, whilst turning at low height and low speed, lost control of the glider. It crashed on the steep slope just below the ridge line, and the pilot sustained injuries from which he later died.

FOLLOW UP ACTION

The one Safety Recommendation made by the AAIB following their investigation is reproduced below together with the CAA's response.

Recommendation 2007-001

The British Gliding Association should review the guidance it gives to its associated gliding clubs in respect of the briefing requirements for visiting pilots, with a view to ensuring that such pilots are adequately briefed on all aspects of site operations.

CAA Response

This Recommendation is not addressed to the CAA.

CAA Status - Closed