Aviation Safety Investigation Report 199602035

Aero Engine Service Ltd T6/24 Cessna Aircraft Company Golden Eagle

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The Bureau did not conduct an on scene investigation of this occurrence. The information presented below was obtained from information supplied to the Bureau.

Occurrence Number:	199602035	Occurrence Ty	vpe: Incident
Location:	5km E Archerfield, Aerodrome		
State:	QLD	Inv Category:	4
Date:	Monday 01 July 1996		
Time:	1209 hours	Time Zone	EST
Highest Injury Level:	None		
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Aircraft Manufacture	e	e Ltd	
Aircraft Model:	T6/24		
Aircraft Registration:		Serial Number:	B559
Type of Operation:	Non-commercial Business		
Damage to Aircraft:	Nil		
Departure Point:	Archerfield QLD		
Departure Time:	1105 EST		
Destination:	Archerfield QLD		
Aircraft Manufacturer: Cessna Aircraft Company			
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Aircraft Model:	421C		
Aircraft Registration:			Serial Number: 421C0256
Type of Operation:		al Mapping/Photo/Surve	У
Damage to Aircraft:	Nil		
Departure Point:	Archerfield QLD		
Departure Time:	1040 EST		
Destination:	Archerfield QLD		
Crew Details:			
	Hours on		
	Role		Type Hours Total
	Pilot-In-Command	ATPL 5	00.0 10500

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The pilot was tracking for left base, runway 22 (about 290 degrees), and was instructed to report abeam the Queen Elizabeth 2 stadium. A twin- engined aircraft, VH-DRB, was descending to 1500 feet from CTA to the south east of Archerfield. The pilot of this aircraft had initially requested a landing on runway 28 but the controller had difficulty in facilitating this request. The controller ultimately instructed VH-DRB to make a visual approach via a wide left base for runway 22, and to follow a third aircraft on final approach.

In VH-JVV, the pilots were monitoring the progress of of VH-DRB by radio. The trainee instructor alerted the pilot in command to the position of the other aircraft. An immediate climbing turn was initiated in order to avoid a collision. The controller attempted to confirm that JVV had VH-DRB in sight at about the same time.

The pilot of VH-DRB saw the other aircraft during its avoiding turn. His aircraft was still descending and the other aircraft was probably hidden from view by his aircrafts nose section, the instrument combing or the right windscreen pillar. He did not take any avoiding action.

The aerodrome controller had not passed traffic information about each other to the two aircraft involved. The warning transmission from the controller was made at the same time as the pilot of VH-JVV reported at QE 2 stadium.

The pilot of VH-DRB originally requested runway 28, and the controller had initially attempted to facilitate this request. In doing so he had not considered the possible track of that aircraft when it was instructed to track for a wide left base for runway 22.

The weather at the time was fine, with a clear sky and unrestricted visibility.