

A CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF EJECTIONS FROM ADF AIRCRAFT

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Since the introduction of ejection seats in ADF aircraft in the early 1950s, 92 crewmembers have ejected from 76 RAAF aircraft and 15 personnel from 12 RAN aircraft. Of these, seven RAAF ejections were unsuccessful, as were two from RAN aircraft.

Only 75 RAAF aircraft were lost through ejections. In one of the 76 RAAF accidents, involving a Canberra in January 1955, the navigator only ejected while the aircraft may have been temporarily out of control. Although the navigator perished in this accident, the pilot subsequently landed the aircraft safely back at base. In another unusual accident, a pilot ejected successfully from a Sabre in September 1957, only to pass away five days later from an apparent heart attack.

The first ADF ejection was from a RAAF Mk 8 Meteor on 14 Jun 51 in Japan, and the most recent from two RAAF Macchis on 24 Oct 94 following a midair collision near RAAF Williamtown, NSW. The present Air Commander Australia, AVM John Kindler, has the unique distinction of ejecting from not one, but two RAAF Mirages: the first occasion on 6 Jul 72 near Singapore and again on 2 Aug 83 at sea near Nowra, NSW.

The single occupant of one RAAF Meteor (the first ADF ejection on 14 Jun 51), and both occupants of an RAN Sea Venom on 11 Feb 60, were most likely ejected without crew involvement. The Meteor ejection was successful; however, both Sea Venom crewmembers perished.

Three pilots killed whilst flying Meteors in Korea, two during ground attack missions in January and April 1952 respectively, and one during a dog fight with MIGs in October 1952 may have ejected or attempted ejection from their aircraft shortly before ground impact. As this information remains unconfirmed, details have not been included in the following list of ADF ejections.

All Meteor ejections were from the Mk 8 single-seat model, whilst all Vampire ejections were from Mk 35 2-seat trainers.

ADF Aircraft Involved

RAAF: Meteor (10), Sabre (11), Vampire (7), Canberra (2), Mirage single seat (21), Mirage 2-seat trainer (2), F-111C (4), Macchi (18), PC9/A (1).

RAN: Sea Venom (4), Macchi (2), A-4G Skyhawk single-seat (5), TA-4G Skyhawk 2-seat (1).

Reasons for Ejection

RAAF

Engine failure (22): 4 Sabre (1 birdstrike), 13 Mirage (1 birdstrike, 2 FOD-induced, 1 pilot-induced), 3 Macchi, 2 F-111 (1 birdstrike)

Undercarriage malfunction (6): 6 Mirage (two 2-seater aircraft)

Fire/explosion (11): 3 Vampire, 2 Mirage, 4 Macchi, 2 F-111

Loss of control (12): 4 Sabre, 4 Vampire, 1 Mirage, 3 Macchi

Midair collision (8): 2 Meteor, 2 Sabre, 1 Mirage, 3 Macchi

Combat (8): 7 Meteor, 1 Canberra

Other (9): 1 Meteor (uncommanded ejection), 1 Canberra (navigator only ejected, pilot landed aircraft) 1 Vampire (jammed ailerons), 1 Sabre (multiple control/systems failures), 4 Macchi (1 unlatched canopy, 1 misread altimeter at night, 1 tree strike during dive recovery, 1 structural failure), 1 PC9/A (inadvertent engine shutdown)

RAN

Engine failure (4): 1 Macchi, 3 Skyhawk (One 2-seat)

Fire/explosion (1): Skyhawk

Loss of control (1): Macchi

Midair collision (1): Sea Venom

Other (5): 3 Sea Venom (1 runway undershoot during approach, 1 night tree strike, 1 ship's arrestor gear failure), 2 Skyhawk (1 ship's catapult failure, 1 ship's arrestor gear failure)

Following is a brief account of all ejections from ADF aircraft from the first in 1951 to the present time.

Ejection	Date of Ejection	Aircraft	Crew	Location	Details
RAAF 1	14/06/51	Meteor Mk 8, A77-231, 77SQN	SGT A. Stoney	4 nm west of Iwakuni, Japan	Whilst in a steep climbing turn to port at 15,000 ft and 280 kts during an acceptance test flight, the pilot was inadvertently ejected. Pilot landed in mountainous terrain without injury.
RAAF 2	29/08/51	Meteor Mk 8, A77-721, 77SQN	WOFF R. Guthrie	Kooson, North Korea	Details: Aircraft hit by gunfire from MIG-15. Pilot ejected at 38,000 ft and M 0.75, and landed with only minor injuries; taken prisoner.

RAAF 3	11/11/51	Meteor Mk 8, A77-587, 77SQN	FLGOFF K. Blight	Near Kimpo AFB, South Korea	Midair collision with RAAF Meteor A77-959 over North Korea while returning to base. Pilot nursed aircraft to within 10 nm of base and ejected at 4,000 ft and 210 kts suffering only minor injuries. (Aircraft crashed in paddy field, killing civilian boy.) The pilot in A77-959 was killed.
RAAF 4	1/12/51	Meteor Mk 8, A77-29, 77SQN	SGT B. Thompson	Near Sunchon, North Korea	Shot down by enemy fire during dog fight with MIGs. Pilot ejected, captured.
RAAF 5	1/12/51	Meteor Mk 8, A77-251, 77SQN	SGT V. Drummond	Near Sunchon, North Korea	Shot down by enemy fire during dog fight with MIGs. Pilot ejected, captured.
RAAF 6	6/02/52	Meteor Mk 8, A77-616, 77SQN	FLTLT J. Hannan	Sibyong-Ni area, North Korea	Shot down by enemy ground fire. Pilot ejected, captured.
RAAF 7	27/08/52	Meteor Mk 8, A77-316, 77SQN	FLGOFF M. Bergh, RAF	Near Yongmadong, North Korea	Shot down by enemy ground fire. Pilot ejected, captured.
RAAF 8	15/06/53	Meteor Mk 8, A77-982, 77SQN	SGT D. Pinkstone	North Korea	Shot down by enemy action. Pilot ejected, captured.
RAAF 9	22/06/53	Meteor Mk 8, A77-415,	FLGOFF J. Coleman, RAF	South Korea	Aircraft hit by enemy ground fire at Paeguri, North Korea. Pilot nursed crippled machine back to friendly lines

		77SQN			and ejected at 15,000 ft with only minor injuries.
RAAF 10	31/05/54	Meteor Mk 8, A77-862, 77SQN	SGT D. Oswald	Kanggyong, South Korea	Midair collision with Meteor A77-866. Pilot ejected at 12,000 ft and slow speed, and landed in paddy field with only minor injuries. Pilot in A77-866 was killed.
RAAF 11	17/01/55	Canberra, A84-204, 2SQN	FLTLT (P) J. Stewart, FLG OFF (N) R. Martin, RAF	9 nm east of Stanthorpe, Qld	Fatal. Aircraft entered high speed dive during limited-panel training. Navigator ejected below 5,000 ft and was killed. Pilot recovered aircraft and returned to base.
RAAF 12	15/08/57	Vampire Mk 35, A79-601, 2AD and HDH Bankstown, NSW	FLG OFF G. Collins	Castlereagh, 5 nm south-southeast of RAAF Richmond, NSW	Loss of control during post-contractor acceptance test flight spinning exercise. Pilot ejected at 5,000 ft and 100 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 13	12/09/57	Sabre Mk 30, A94-917, 77SQN	FLTLT G. Boord	Near Newcastle, NSW	Loss of control. Pilot ejected at 10,000 ft and 300 kts over water and was rescued.
RAAF 14	13/12/57	Vampire Mk 35, A79-610, HDH Bankstown, NSW	Mr E. Shaw	6 nm south of RAAF Richmond, NSW	Pilot unable to recover from spin during pre-delivery test flight and ejected at about 10,000 ft without injury.
RAAF	26/11/58	Sabre Mk 32, A94-	FLTLT R.	2 nm north of	Engine failure. Pilot ejected at 600 ft and

15		950, 78WG	Oborn	Bruthen, Vic	180 kts with only minor injuries.
RAN 1	11/02/60	Sea Venom FAW 53, WZ-941, 724SQN	SBLT (P) F. Hodgson, EMAW2 M. Holloway	RAN Air Station Nowra, NSW	Fatal. Crashed during practice PFL. Ejection seats fired on ground impact but outside safe ejection envelope.
RAAF 16	24/05/60	Vampire Mk 35, A79-604, 1AFTS	CDT K. Williams	Near RAAF Pearce, WA	Loss of control in IMC. Pilot ejected at 6,000 ft with only minor injuries.
RAN 2	15/06/60	Sea Venom FAW 53, WZ-927, 724SQN	SBLT (P) B. Dutch, LEUT (O) E. Sandberg	RAN Air Station Nowra, NSW	Aircraft hit trees in circuit for night landing. Crew ejected safely.
RAAF 17	22/07/60	Sabre Mk 32, A94- 961, 77SQN	FLGOFF O. Bartrop	40 nm east of RAAF Butterworth, Malaysia	Midair collision with Sabre A94-976. Pilot ejected at 38,000 ft and landed in jungle with only minor injuries.
RAAF 18	22/07/60	Sabre Mk 32, A94- 976, 77SQN	FLTLT O. Worth	40 nm east of RAAF Butterworth, Malaysia	Midair collision with Sabre A94-961. Pilot ejected at 38,000 ft and landed in jungle without injury.
RAAF 19	19/05/61	Vampire Mk 35, A79-817, 76SQN	PLTOFF K. Smith	Near RAAF Williamtown, NSW	Engine explosion. Pilot ejected at 1,500 ft over water without injury.
RAAF 20	11/09/62	Sabre Mk 32, A94- 958, 3SQN	FLTLT R. Offord	RAAF Butterworth, Malaysia	Fatal. Multiple birdstrikes shortly after formation take-off. Pilot ejected at low-level outside safe ejection seat envelope.
					Midair collision with Sea Venom WZ-893 during formation

RAN 3	2/10/62	Sea Venom FAW 53, WZ-940, 805SQN	LEUT A. Riley	Sydney, NSW	aerobatics display over Sydney Harbour. Pilot ejected at about 500 ft over water, suffering only minor injuries. WZ-893 (pilot LEUT B. Roberts) recovered safely to base at Nowra, NSW.
RAAF 21	11/03/63	Sabre Mk 32, A94-931, 76SQN	GPCAPT A. Mather	35 nm northeast of RAAF Fairbairn, Canberra, ACT	Engine failure. Pilot ejected at 2,000 ft and 250 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 22	9/10/63	Sabre Mk 32, A94-967, 3SQN	WGCDR R. Hanstein	12 nm northeast of RAAF Butterworth, Malaysia	Loss of control at 35,000 ft during 4 x 4 ACM. Pilot ejected at 10,000 ft and 170 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 23	12/11/63	Sabre Mk 32, A94-929, 20CU	PLTOFF R. Slater	Mayfield (Newcastle), NSW	Loss of control. Pilot ejected at 12,000 ft with only minor injuries.
RAAF 24	19/12/63	Sabre Mk 32, A94-947, 3SQN	FLGOFF M. Norseworthy	18 nm northwest of RAAF Butterworth, Malaysia	Multiple control and system failures. Pilot ejected at 10,000 ft and 250 kts over water with only minor injuries.
RAAF 25	24/09/64	Sabre Mk 32, A94-984, 79SQN	FLTLT I. McFarlane	28 nm west of Ubon, Thailand	FOD-induced engine failure. Pilot ejected at 700 ft and 135 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 26	7/12/64	Mirage III-O, A3-1, ARDU	SQNLDR I. Svensson, RAF	2 nm northeast of Avalon, Vic	Loss of control during test flight. Pilot ejected at high speed (700 ? 750 kts) at 7,000 ft, suffering serious injuries.
		Vampire		2 nm	In-flight fire warning.

RAAF 27	7/12/65	Mk 35, A79-643, 1AFTS	FLGOFF A. Perry	northeast of RAAF Pearce, WA	Pilot ejected at 500 ft and 130 kts with only minor injuries.
RAN 4	28/04/66	Sea Venom FAW 53, WZ-900, 816SQN (B Flt)	LEUT (P) J. Dacosta, LEUT (O) E. Kennell	HMAS MELBOURNE, Phillipine Sea	Fatal. Arrestor wire parted during night carrier landing, aircraft crashed into sea. Pilot ejected at near sea- level and rescued with minor injuries. Observer did not eject and was lost at sea.
RAAF 28	29/07/66	Mirage III-O, A3- 28, 76SQN	SQNLDR D. Johnston	5 nm south of RAAF Fairbairn, ACT	Engine failure/undercarriage malfunction. Pilot ejected at 2,000 ft and 260 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 29	3/04/67	Mirage III-O, A3- 46, 76SQN	FLTLT J. Ellis	4 nm northeast of Darwin, NT	Engine failure during post-engine change air test. Pilot ejected at 1,500 ft and 245 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 30	25/09/67	Mirage III-O, A3- 52, 3SQN	FLGOFF M. Susans	48 nm northwest of RAAF Williamtown, NSW	Engine failure/fire warning during night navex. Pilot ejected at 20,000 ft and 300 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 31	13/02/68	Vampire Mk 35, A79-667, 1AFTS,	CDT A. Jabornicky	35 nm southwest of RAAF Pearce, WA	Loss of control during compressibility flight. Pilot ejected over water at 10,000 ft and 400 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 32	7/03/68	MB 326H Macchi, A7-003, CFS	FLTLT W. Rayner	14 nm southwest of RAAF East Sale, Vic	Aileron control jammed during aerobatics. Pilot ejected at 10,000 ft with only minor injuries.

RAAF 33	30/10/68	Mirage III-O, A3- 70, 3SQN	FLTLT B. Roberts	12 nm north- northeast of RAAF Williamtown, NSW	Richochet ingested by engine during air- ground gunnery at Saltash AWR. Pilot ejected at 2,800 ft and 210 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 34	31/01/69	MB 326H Macchi, A7-008, 2FTS	FLTLT W. McAlister, CDT R. Heideman	14 nm west of RAAF Pearce, WA	Loss of control in inverted spin. Crew ejected at between 5,000 and 8,000 ft at low airspeed. Student suffered only minor injuries, aircraft captain suffered moderately severe injuries.
RAAF 35	22/04/69	Vampire Mk 35, A79-641, 2FTS	CDT I. Watson	8 nm northeast of RAAF Pearce, WA	Overheat and fire warning light illuminated during night solo training sortie. Pilot ejected without injury.
RAAF 36	22/07/69	MB 326H Macchi, A7-007, CFS	SQNLDR B. Newman (captain), FLGOFF H. Holsken (student instructor)	RAAF East Sale, Vic	Fatal. In-flight fire and control failure in circuit area. Captain ejected at 100-200 ft and 140 kts with only minor injuries. Student instructor ejected outside safe ejection envelope and was killed.
RAAF 37	1/10/69	MB 326H Macchi, A7-055, 2FTS	FLTLT J. Pedrina (captain) and FLGOFF H. Badower (student)	50 nm north of RAAF Pearce, WA	Fire/overheat warning. Crew ejected at 2,500 ft and 130 kts with minor injuries sustained by captain.
					Fatal. Altimeter

RAAF 38	19/11/70	MB 326H Macchi, A7-037, 2FTS	CDT R. Ellis	3 nm south of RAAF Pearce, WA	misread after night take-off. Pilot ejected outside survival envelope of ejection seat.
RAAF 39	14/03/71	Canberra Mk 20, A84-228, 2SQN	WGCDR (P) F. Downing and FLTLT (N) A. Pinches	Near Quang Tri, Vietnam	Aircraft hit by two surface-air missiles. Crew ejected at 14,000 ft and 290 kts, suffering various moderate to serious injuries.
RAAF 40	15/03/71	Sabre Mk 32, A94- 966, 5OTU	PLTOFF O. Elsbury	41 nm northeast of RAAF Wiliamtown, NSW	Control lost during approach configuration stall on pre-D Servicing test flight. Pilot ejected at 4,000 ft and 130 kts with only minor injuries.
RAN 5	28/04/71	MB 326H Macchi, N14-078, VC724 Squadron	LEUT (P) E. Kavanagh, LEUT (P) P. Clarke	Near Sussex Inlet, NSW	Control lost during inverted spin over sea, crew ejected with only minor injuries.
RAAF 41	27/04/72	Mirage III-OA, A3-74, 77SQN	FLTLT R. Perry	12 nm east of Darwin, NT	Engine failure following birdstrike shortly after take-off. Pilot ejected at 900 ft and 220 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 42	6/07/72	Mirage III-OA, A3-98, 3SQN	FLGOFF J. Kindler	30 nm northwest of Tengah, Singapore	In-flight fire. Pilot ejected at 5,500 ft and 350 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 43	3/08/72	Mirage III-OA, A3-4, ARDU	FLTLT R. Richardson	3 nm north of Avalon, Vic	Engine failure during test flight. Pilot ejected at 800 ft and 250 kts with only minor injuries.

RAN 6	7/12/72	MB 326H Macchi, N14-073, VC724 Squadron	LEUT M. Smythe	RAN Air Station Nowra, NSW	Engine flameout on base/final for Rwy 26. Pilot ejected at 200 ft and 105 kts, suffering a broken ankle.
RAN 7	5/06/73	Skyhawk A-4G, N13- 155060, VF805 Squadron	SBLT T. De Kinderen	20 nm east of RAAF Williamtown, NSW	Turbine shroud failure. Pilot ejected over water, rescued by RAAF helicopter.
RAAF 44	1/04/74	Mirage III-OF, A3-18, 75SQN	FLTLT L. Boyd	2.5 nm north of RAAF Butterworth, Malaysia	Engine failure during return to base from Song Song Range. Pilot ejected at 180 ft and 160 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 45	29/10/75	MB 326H Macchi, A7-065, 2OCU	FLTLT (P) B. Sweeney, FLGOFF L. Clayton (pax)	Saltash AWR, NSW	Aircraft struck trees during dive recovery on range. Crew ejected at 70-90 ft and 180-200 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 46	16/03/76	Mirage III-OF, A3-14, 77SQN	FLTLT G. Kubank	RAAF Williamtown, NSW	Compressor stall during low-level four-ship formation practice for air display. Pilot ejected at 400 ft and 230 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 47	8/06/76	Mirage III-OA, A3-67, 75SQN	FLGOFF M. Hurman	1 nm south of RAAF Butterworth, Malaysia	FOD-induced engine failure. Pilot ejected at 400 ft and 185 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 48	10/08/76	Mirage IIID, A3- 114, 2OCU	FLTLT B. Wood (captain), FLGOFF G. Shepherd	1 nm north of RAAF Williamtown,	Undercarriage malfunction; port undercarriage collapsed on touchdown. Aircraft subsequently climbed

			(student)	NSW	away and crew ejected at 1,000 ft and 240 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 49	28/04/77	GD F-111C, A8-136, 6SQN	CAPT (P) W. Baker USAF, FLTLT (N) D. Clarkson	5 nm south of Guyra, NSW	Fuel tank explosion/loss of control. Crew ejected in escape module with only minor injuries.
RAAF 50	29/09/77	GD F-111C, A8-133, 6SQN	SQNLDR (P) J. Holt, FLTLT (P) A. Noordink	Evans Head AWR, NSW	Fatal. Catastrophic (windshield) birdstrike at low level during bombing pass. Crew module separation activated at approximately 520 kts whilst aircraft descending and outside survival envelope.
RAAF 51	5/12/77	Mirage III-OA, A3-94, 3SQN	FLGOFF B. Crowhurst	2 nm northwest of RAAF Butterworth, Malaysia	Engine failure during night GCA. Pilot ejected at 1,500 ft and 150 kts with only minor injuries. Aircraft crashed into sea.
RAAF 52	25/10/78	GD F-111C, A8-141, 6SQN	WGCDR (P) D. Rogers, FLTLT (N) P. Growder	Hauraki Gulf (near Auckland, NZ)	Engine/airframe fire, explosion. Crew ejected in escape module at 2,700 ft and 226 kts with only minor injuries.
RAN 8	23/01/79	Skyhawk A-4G, N13-155051, VF805 Squadron	SBLT C. Tomlinson	12 nm southeast of Braidwood, NSW	LP turbine failure/engine fire. Pilot ejected, rescued by RAAF helicopter.
RAN 9	23/05/79	Skyhawk A-4G, N13-154909, VF805	LCDR K. Finan, USN	HMAS MELBOURNE at sea, 45 nm east of Jervis	Arrestor wire parted during land-on. Pilot ejected at low level without injury.

		Squadron		Bay, NSW	
RAAF 53	19/07/79	MB 326H Macchi, A7-091, 2FTS	CDT R. Allan	17 nm east northeast of RAAF Pearce, WA	Control lost during aerobatics practice. Pilot ejected from inverted spinning aircraft below 5,000 ft with only minor injuries.
RAAF 54	7/08/79	Mirage III-OA, A3-47, 2OCU	FLTLT G. Lee	8 nm north northeast of RAAF Williamtown, NSW	Undercarriage malfunction. Pilot ejected at 5,000 ft and 200 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 55	24/08/79	GD F-111C, A8-137, 1SQN	FLGOFF (P) M. Kelly, FLTLT (N) A. Curr	RNZAF Ohakea, NZ	Water ingestion into engines during take-off. Crew ejected in escape module on Rwy 27 at 90 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 56	15/02/80	MB 326H Macchi, A7-051, 2FTS	FLTLT G. Cashmere (captain), CDT P. Craven (student)	30 nm north northeast of RAAF Pearce, WA	Canopy unlocked in fight. Crew ejected at 9,000 ft and 190 kts with serious injuries sustained by student and only minor injuries by aircraft captain.
RAAF 57	18/02/80	Mirage III-OA, A3-75, 77SQN	FLTLT J. Carr	Dowds Morass, 5 nm south southeast of RAAF East Sale, Vic	Total loss of thrust following bombing pass on Dutson Range (possible fragmentation ingestion by engine). Pilot ejected at 3,500 ft and 230 kts with only minor injuries.
RAN 10	28/04/80	Skyhawk TA-4G, N13- 154647, VC724	LEUT A. Sinclair	0.5 nm south of RAN Air Station Nowra, NSW	Engine failure downwind in circuit for Rwy 26. Pilot ejected without injury.

		Squadron			
RAAF 58	2/05/80	Mirage III-OA, A3-58, 775QN	PLTOFF G. Butterworth	Tanilba Bay beach, 9 nm northeast of RAAF Williamtown, NSW	Undercarriage malfunction. Pilot ejected at 3,500 ft and 240 kts without injury. Aircraft crashed on shore line near houses.
RAN 11	2/10/80	Skyhawk A-4G, N13-155062, VF805 Squadron	LCDR C. Blennerhassett	HMAS MELBOURNE, Andaman Sea, 35 nm north of Sumatra, Indonesia	Engine failure immediately following catapult launch. Pilot ejected at low level with only minor injuries.
RAN 12	21/10/80	Skyhawk A-4G, N13-154906, VF805 Squadron	SBLT D. Baddams	HMAS MELBOURNE, Indian Ocean, 100 nm southwest of Columbo, Sri Lanka	Premature (low speed) catapult launch. Pilot ejected at low level with only minor injuries.
RAAF 59	9/09/81	Mirage III-OA, A3-80, 775QN	FLGOFF N. Alexander	7 nm northeast of RAAF Williamtown, NSW	Undercarriage malfunction. Pilot ejected with only minor injuries.
RAAF 60	30/03/83	Mirage III-OA, A3-69, 755QN	FLTLT J. O? Halloran	1 nm south of Tengah Airfield, Singapore	Midair collision with RSAF Skyhawk A-4S No 636 whilst on finals for Rwy 36. Mirage pilot ejected at 400 ft and 190 kts with only minor injuries. Skyhawk pilot (LTA Foo Siew Ngan) also ejected successfully. One civilian on ground killed.
				70 nm	Engine failure during fleet support mission.

RAAF 61	2/08/83	Mirage III-OA, A3-82, 77SQN	SQNLDR J. Kindler	southeast of RAN Air Station Nowra, NSW	Pilot ejected at 1,000 ft and 200 kts over water with only minor injuries; rescued by RAN Sea King helicopter.
RAAF 62	26/04/84	Mirage III-D, A3-105, 20CU	FLTLT J. Barden (captain), SBLT J. Conlan RAN, (student)	7 nm east of Darwin, NT	Undercarriage malfunction at night. Crew ejected at 3,000 ft and 200 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 63	3/05/84	Mirage III-OA, A3-76, ARDU	FLTLT T. McCormick	17 nm northwest of RAAF Edinburgh, SA	Undercarriage malfunction. Pilot ejected at 3,000 ft and 300 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 64	27/05/85	Mirage III-OF, A3-36, 75SQN	FLGOFF A. Quaife	1.5 nm west of Darwin, NT	Compressor stall/loss of thrust in circuit. Pilot ejected at 1,000 ft and 200 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 65	19/08/85	MB 326H Macchi, A7-085, 77SQN	PLTOFF S. Callcott	Saltash AWR, NSW	Engine fire during strafing run. Pilot ejected at 2,000 ft and 200 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 66	12/11/86	MB 326H Macchi, A7-082, 2FTS	FLGOFF T. Ellis	15 nm northwest of Gin Gin Airfield (28 nm north northwest of RAAF Pearce), WA	Engine flameout. Pilot ejected at 2,000 ft and 140 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 67	16/03/87	Mirage III-OA, A3-95, 77SQN	FLTLT P. Batten	20 nm east of RAAF Williamtown, NSW	Engine flameout. Pilot ejected over water at 2,000 ft and 230 kts with only minor injuries;

					rescued by fishing boat.
RAAF 68	3/08/87	MB 326H Macchi, A7-079, CFS	FLTLTs D. Hume, B. Heslin	Barrington Tops (near Gloucester), 55 nm northwest of RAAF Williamtown, NSW	Thrust loss, engine icing suspected. Crew ejected at 6,500 ft and 130 kts with only minor injuries. Wreckage located by bushwalkers 28 Apr 95.
RAAF 69	10/03/88	MB 326H Macchi, A7-049, CFS	FLTLT R. Crispin	2 nm northeast of RAAF East Sale, Vic	Midair collision with Macchi A7-054 during <i>Roulettes</i> aerobatic practice. Pilot ejected at 4,000 ft and 200 kts with only minor injuries. A7-054 landed at East Sale with undercarriage retracted.
RAAF 70	5/04/88	MB 326H Macchi, A7-018, 2FTS	SQNLDR F. Atkins (captain), PLTOFF A. Richardson (student)	2 nm south of RAAF Pearce, WA	Engine failure shortly after take-off. Crew ejected at 700 ft and 120 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 71	3/08/89	MB 326H Macchi, A7-021, CFS	FLGOFFs S. Jackson, P. Szypula	RAAF East Sale, Vic	Engine/fuselage fire shortly after take-off. Crew ejected at 1,000 ft and 100 kts with only minor injuries.
RAAF 72	16/10/90	MB 326H Macchi, A7-045, 2FTS	LEUT D. Roe, RAN	22 nm north of RAAF Pearce, WA	Loss of control during aerobatics practice. Pilot ejected below 5,000 ft at moderately high speed with only minor injuries.
				55 nm	Fatal. Catastrophic fatigue failure of left wing during ACM

RAAF 73	19/11/90	MB 326H Macchi, A7-076, 76SQN	FLTLT R. Page	northeast of RAAF Williamtown, NSW	practice. Pilot ejected but struck aircraft during separation. Parachute failed to deploy fully and pilot impacted water at high speed.
RAAF 74	21/03/92	Pilatus PC9/A, A23-055, 2FTS	FLTLT R. Thacker RNZAF (captain), GPCAPT F. Sharp RNZAF (aircrew passenger)	1.1 nm north of Albany Airport, WA	In-flight shutdown of engine in circuit area. Crew ejected at 300 ft and 90 kts. Captain suffered only minor injuries, passenger more seriously injured.
RAAF 75	24/10/94	MB 326H Macchi, A7-038, 76SQN	FLGOFF M. Connolly	38 nm north northwest of RAAF Williamtown, NSW	Loss of control after midair collision with Macchi A7-088. Pilot ejected with only minor injuries.
RAAF 76	24/10/94	MB 326H Macchi, A7-088, 76SQN	FLGOFF L. Pulford	38 nm north northwest of RAAF Williamtown, NSW	Loss of control after midair collision with Macchi A7-038. Pilot ejected with only minor injuries.



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