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Instructor Dies In Plane, Trainee Takes Over

CANBERRA, Friday.—With the instructor unconscious at the controls, an RAAF trainee took over, and landed the aircraft.

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The trainee, Leading-Aircraftman William Trevor Utting, of Brisbane, is named today in a list of airmen commended by the Governor-General (Lord Gowrie) for brave conduct. Utting had difficulty in manœuvring the plane, owing to the weight of the instructor on the rear stick. On landing, he found the instructor had died.

Leading Aircraftman William Trevor Utting, of Brisbane, a trainee, was commended for safely landing a plane after a collision. The plane was piloted by an instructor, who was killed in the collision, but Utting took over and succeeded in landing the aircraft in a cultivated paddock without major damage or injury to himself.

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