

## Search under way for pair of ultralight aircraft that disappeared after taking off in Townsville

**TWO pilots have been killed after two overdue ultralight planes went missing south of Townsville.**

The aircraft wreckage was found about 7.40am this morning, and both pilots had perished, the Australian Maritime Safety Authority confirmed.

Search crews from AMSA had been called in about 9pm yesterday after reports the pilots of two ultralight aircraft had failed to return from a round trip flight from Donnington Airpark.

The search began shortly after with aircraft using night vision capabilities.

The search continued at first light this morning, including the Cairns based fixed wing Dornier aircraft and a rescue helicopter from Townsville.

The missing aircraft was found within the search area, which was about 840 square kilometres in size and was focused around Donnington Airpark and the Reid and Haughton rivers.

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