(Above) The hanger which housed the indoor exhibit. Relatively few windows have been lost. Note hangar doors on the adjacent hangar. Debris in foreground is not BAM facilities.

(Below) Site of the admissions booth at the outdoor exhibit. Taken on the 6th, this photo shows two cash registers which have been returned. No money was lost during the storm.
(Above) Inside the hangar. The Bleriot, left center, hangs askew with both wings broken, engine and prop off. The Mauler, right foreground, is undergoing restoration.

(Below) Inside the hangar. Even though roof is off, there is relatively little damage. Right bottom, Nixon lays on top of Gee Bee, wings broken on both airplanes.
(Above) Largest airplane in the collection, the Douglas C-133 lies on its back, nose and tail sections ripped off. Grumman Avenger is on its back on the right side.

(Below) Most impressive and descriptive of damage sustained, the C-133 was usually the focus point of all media coverage of the effect on the tornado in Windsor Locks.
(Above) The Constellation, upside down, its back broken, lies across the road from the outdoor exhibit.

(Below) The Boeing B-47 sustained relatively minor damage, except for right inboard engine nacelle. The wing in the foreground had been sheared off the B-25.
(Above) Almost unrecognizable, the nose section of the Douglas C-124 lies in mute testimony to the storm's fury. The B-29, in the background, received relatively minor damage.

(Below) This used to be the Convair T-29. As can be seen from these photos, words cannot adequately describe the amount of damage caused by the tornado.
(Above) The Fairchild C-119 "flew" across the road from the exhibit area, losing wings, booms and much of the fuselage.

(RHS) One of the rarest aircraft in the collection, the Douglas F4D can be recognized only by the color of the fuselage.
(Above) Yet another aircraft that ended up on the other side of the road is the Douglas C-54, on its back, completely destroyed.

(Below) Although extensively damaged, left wing off, tail destroyed, fuse-bent and numerous holes, the North American B-25 will be restored.
(Above) The Lockheed T-33 with most of the rear fuselage gone. These photos were taken on the 6th and most of the smaller debris had been picked up.

(Below) The once beautiful Republic RF-84F, now sits upside down, damaged beyond repair.
(Above) The remains of the Boeing B-17/2992. Numerous holes and tears in the skin of all exhibit aircraft were in addition to total destruction.

(Below) The Grumman HU-16 (left) wiped out the rear half of the B-17 when it came to rest after its short "flight".
(Above) The North American F-86 had only recently been repainted. Now it is totally destroyed.

(Below) Although classified as one of the potentially salvageable aircraft, the Lockheed F-104 will require hundreds of hours to restore.
(Above) This Convair F-102 may be restored. The other F-102, which had been at the Ramada Inn, is a total loss.

(Below) Although it is extensively damaged, the Grumman TBM Avenger may have to be restored because there is probably no other TBM available to us.
(Above) This used to be the Sikorsky CH-37. No further words are necessary.

(RHS)

(below) Just added to the outdoor exhibit in September, the Boeing-Vertol YHC-1A is now a total loss.
The Boeing Bomarc missile and launcher. (RHS)

Museum Director Phil O'Keefe has conducted a preliminary review of all the aircraft in the outdoor exhibit to determine the feasibility of restoration for future display. Of the 31 aircraft on display (including the Ramada F-102), only four are intact, with relatively minor damage.

Boeing B-47
Martin B-57
Douglas A-3
Vought Regulus

An additional four aircraft are classified as salvageable.

Grumman E-1
Boeing B-29
North American B-25
Boeing Bomarc

Seven airplanes have been put into the potentially salvageable category.

Republic RF-84F
Grumman TBM
Boeing B-17/299Z

Douglas A-4
Lockheed P2V
Convair F-102
Lockheed F-104

Two are questionable whether it is feasible to salvage.

Grumman HU-16B
Northrop F-89

The rest are considered a total loss, although many parts will be salvaged.

Douglas C-54
Lockheed Constellation
Lockheed T-33
Douglas C-133
Douglas C-124
Douglas F4D
North American F-86
Convair T-29
Vought F8U
Boeing-Vertol YHC-1A
Sikorsky CH-37
Sikorsky H-19
Fairchild C-119
Convair F-102 (Ramada Inn)