



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location: MILWAUKEE, Wisconsin Accident Number: CHI95LA315

Date & Time: September 9, 1995, 12:40 Local Registration: N2596N

Aircraft: PIPER PA-38 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Defining Event: 1 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

Analysis

IN HIS WRITTEN STATEMENT, THE PILOT REPORTED THAT HE WAS TAKING OFF ON RUNWAY 9. WHEN HE ROTATED, THE AIRPLANE WENT TO THE LEFT. HE ATTEMPTED TO CORRECT WITH RIGHT RUDDER BUT THE AIRPLANE 'DID NOT HAVE ENOUGH AIRSPEED.' THE AIRPLANE IMPACTED 100 YARDS EAST OF THE RUNWAY SUSTAINING SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE.

Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: the pilot's premature liftoff which resulted in a stall.

Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF CONTROL - IN FLIGHT Phase of Operation: TAKEOFF - INITIAL CLIMB

Findings

1. (C) LIFT-OFF - PREMATURE - PILOT IN COMMAND 2. STALL - INADVERTENT - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: IN FLIGHT COLLISION WITH TERRAIN/WATER

Phase of Operation: DESCENT - UNCONTROLLED

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Factual Information

On September 9, 1995, at 1240 central daylight time, a Piper PA- 38, N2596N, sustained substantial damage when it impacted the terrain during takeoff in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The private pilot reported no injuries. The personal flight was planned to Franksville, Wisconsin, and was conducted under 14 CFR Part 91 in visual meteorological conditions. No flight plan was filed.

In his written statement, the pilot reported that he was taking off on runway 9. When he rotated, the airplane went to the left. He attempted to correct with right rudder but the airplane "did not have enough airspeed." The airplane impacted 100 yards east of the runway sustaining substantial damage.

Pilot Information

| Certificate: | Private | Age: | 49,Male |
|---------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Airplane Rating(s): | Single-engine land | Seat Occupied: | Left |
| Other Aircraft Rating(s): | None | Restraint Used: | |
| Instrument Rating(s): | None | Second Pilot Present: | No |
| Instructor Rating(s): | None | Toxicology Performed: | No |
| Medical Certification: | Class 3 Valid Medicalw/ waivers/lim | Last FAA Medical Exam: | April 13, 1994 |
| Occupational Pilot: | UNK | Last Flight Review or Equivalent: | |
| Flight Time: | 450 hours (Total, all aircraft), 360 hours (Total, this make and model), 420 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 25 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 6 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 1 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft) | | |

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Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

| Aircraft Make: | PIPER | Registration: | N2596N |
|-------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Model/Series: | PA-38 PA-38 | Aircraft Category: | Airplane |
| Year of Manufacture: | | Amateur Built: | |
| Airworthiness Certificate: | Normal | Serial Number: | 38-79A0934 |
| Landing Gear Type: | Tricycle | Seats: | 2 |
| Date/Type of Last Inspection: | November 1, 1994 Annual | Certified Max Gross Wt.: | 1670 lbs |
| Time Since Last Inspection: | 53 Hrs | Engines: | 1 Reciprocating |
| Airframe Total Time: | 2219 Hrs | Engine Manufacturer: | LYCOMING |
| ELT: | Installed, activated, did not aid in locating accident | Engine Model/Series: | 0-235-L2C |
| Registered Owner: | THOMAS PAKOWSKI | Rated Power: | 112 Horsepower |
| Operator: | | Operating Certificate(s) Held: | None |
| Operator Does Business As: | | Operator Designator Code: | |

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

| Conditions at Accident Site: | Visual (VMC) | Condition of Light: | Day |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Observation Facility, Elevation: | MKE ,723 ft msl | Distance from Accident Site: | 7 Nautical Miles |
| Observation Time: | 12:56 Local | Direction from Accident Site: | 30° |
| Lowest Cloud Condition: | Clear | Visibility | 10 miles |
| Lowest Ceiling: | None | Visibility (RVR): | |
| Wind Speed/Gusts: | 11 knots / | Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual: | / |
| Wind Direction: | 60° | Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual: | / |
| Altimeter Setting: | 30 inches Hg | Temperature/Dew Point: | 18°C / 8°C |
| Precipitation and Obscuration: | No Obscuration; No Precipitation | | |
| Departure Point: | | Type of Flight Plan Filed: | None |
| Destination: | FRANKSVILLE , WI (62C) | Type of Clearance: | VFR |
| Departure Time: | 12:40 Local | Type of Airspace: | Class E |

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Airport Information

| Airport: | RAINBOW Y78 | Runway Surface Type: | Asphalt |
|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------|
| Airport Elevation: | 685 ft msl | Runway Surface Condition: | Dry |
| Runway Used: | 9 | IFR Approach: | None |
| Runway Length/Width: | 2155 ft / 31 ft | VFR Approach/Landing: | None |

Wreckage and Impact Information

| Crew Injuries: | 1 None | Aircraft Damage: | Substantial |
|------------------------|--------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Passenger Injuries: | | Aircraft Fire: | None |
| Ground Injuries: | N/A | Aircraft Explosion: | None |
| Total Injuries: | 1 None | Latitude, Longitude: | 42.880744,-88.000228(est) |

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Administrative Information

| Investigator In Charge (IIC): | Robbins, Wesley | |
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| Additional Participating Persons: | TIM R DERNER; MILWAUKEE , WI | |
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| Last Revision Date: | | |
| Investigation Class: | <u>Class</u> | |
| Note: | | |
| Investigation Docket: | https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=10025 | |

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