



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location: Riverhead, New York Accident Number: ERA22LA038

Date & Time: October 2, 2021, 10:40 Local Registration: N199B

Aircraft: Aviat A-1C 200 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Defining Event: Nose over/nose down **Injuries:** 1 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

Analysis

The pilot reported that after landing the tailwheel-equipped airplane he applied "too much brake" and the airplane flipped over into an inverted position on the runway, which resulted in substantial damage to the rudder and right wing. The pilot reported that the airplane had no preimpact mechanical malfunctions or failures that would have precluded normal operation.

Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be:

The pilot's excessive braking during landing which resulted in a noseover and substantial damage.

Findings

Personnel issues Aircraft control - Pilot

Aircraft Brake - Incorrect use/operation

Aircraft Surface speed/braking - Incorrect use/operation

Factual Information

History of Flight

Landing-landing roll	Nose over/nose down (Defining event)	
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Pilot Information

Certificate:	Private	Age:	75,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Front
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	5-point
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	
Medical Certification:	BasicMed Without waivers/limitations	Last FAA Medical Exam:	July 13, 2020
Occupational Pilot:	No	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	December 11, 2020
Flight Time:	(Estimated) 980 hours (Total, all aircraft), 35 hours (Total, this make and model), 881 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 50 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 18 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 2 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Aviat	Registration:	N199B
Model/Series:	A-1C 200	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:	2021	Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	3375
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	June 7, 2021 Continuous airworthiness	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	2200 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	80 Hrs at time of accident	Engine Manufacturer:	Lycoming
ELT:	C126 installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	IO-360-A1D6
Registered Owner:	Bennett Aviation LLC	Rated Power:	200 Horsepower
Operator:	Bennett Aviation LLC	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	HWV,66 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	12.5 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	10:56 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	
Lowest Cloud Condition:		Visibility	
Lowest Ceiling:		Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	8 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	250°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	0°C / 0°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	West Hampton, NY (FOK)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	Riverhead, NY	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	10:31 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class E

Airport Information

Airport:	TALMAGE FLD 03NY	Runway Surface Type:	Grass/turf
Airport Elevation:	95 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	16/34	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	2000 ft / 75 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	None

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:		Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 None	Latitude, Longitude:	40.958372,-72.717385(est)

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Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC): Wentz, Peter

Additional Participating Persons: Mark Burnett; FAA-FSDO; NY

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Note: The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident.

Investigation Docket: https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=104186

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