



# **Aviation Investigation Final Report**

Location: PRINCETON, New Jersey Accident Number: BF093LA071

Date & Time: May 7, 1993, 19:40 Local Registration: N1192P

Aircraft: American General Aircraft AG5B Aircraft Damage: Substantial

**Defining Event:** 1 Minor

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

#### **Analysis**

THE AIRPLANE LANDED LONG AND THE PILOT WAS UNABLE TO STOP THE AIRPLANE BEFORE IT WENT OFF THE END OF THE RUNWAY AND THROUGH A CHAIN LINK FENCE.

### **Probable Cause and Findings**

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: THE PILOT'S MISJUDGEMENT OF DISTANCE AND SPEED DURING THE LANDING, AND HIS FAILURE TO INITIATE A GO AROUND, WHILE THERE WAS STILL SUFFICIENT SPEED AND RUNWAY REMAINING. HIS FAILURE TO ATTAIN THE PROPER TOUCHDOWN POINT FOR THE LANDING WAS A RELATED FACTOR.

#### **Findings**

Occurrence #1: OVERRUN

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

#### **Findings**

- 1. (C) DISTANCE MISJUDGED PILOT IN COMMAND
- 2. (C) AIRSPEED MISJUDGED PILOT IN COMMAND
- 3. (F) PROPER TOUCHDOWN POINT EXCEEDED PILOT IN COMMAND
- 4. (C) GO-AROUND NOT PERFORMED PILOT IN COMMAND

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Occurrence #2: ON GROUND/WATER COLLISION WITH OBJECT

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings 5. OBJECT - FENCE

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## **Factual Information**

#### **Pilot Information**

| Certificate:              | Private  | Age:                              | 39,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 2 Valid Medicalw/<br>waivers/lim   | Last FAA Medical Exam:            | August 20, 1992 |
| Occupational Pilot:       | UNK  | Last Flight Review or Equivalent: |                 |
| Flight Time:              | 208 hours (Total, all aircraft), 15 hours (Total, this make and model), 141 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 18 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 8 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 1 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft) |                                   |                 |

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### **Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information**

| Aircraft Make:                | American General Aircraft                              | Registration:                     | N1192P          |
|-------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Model/Series:                 | AG5B AG5B  | Aircraft Category:                | Airplane        |
| Year of Manufacture:          |  | Amateur Built:                    |                 |
| Airworthiness Certificate:    | Normal   | Serial Number:                    | 10033           |
| Landing Gear Type:            | Tricycle   | Seats:                            | 4               |
| Date/Type of Last Inspection: | January 7, 1993 Annual                                 | Certified Max Gross Wt.:          | 2400 lbs        |
| Time Since Last Inspection:   | 86 Hrs   | Engines:                          | 1 Reciprocating |
| Airframe Total Time:          | 674 Hrs  | Engine Manufacturer:              | LYCOMING        |
| ELT:                          | Installed, activated, did not aid in locating accident | Engine Model/Series:              | O-360-A4K       |
| Registered Owner:             | UNIONVILLE AVIATION, INC.                              | Rated Power:                      | 180 Horsepower  |
| Operator:                     | RARITAN VALLEY FLYING<br>SCHOOL                        | Operating Certificate(s)<br>Held: | None            |
| Operator Does Business As:    |  | Operator Designator Code:         |                 |

### Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Conditions at Accident Site:     | Visual (VMC)                | Condition of Light:                  | Day      |
| Observation Facility, Elevation: |                             | Distance from Accident Site:         |          |
| Observation Time:                |                             | Direction from Accident Site:        |          |
| <b>Lowest Cloud Condition:</b>   | Clear                       | Visibility                           | 20 miles |
| Lowest Ceiling:                  | None                        | Visibility (RVR):                    |          |
| Wind Speed/Gusts:                | 5 knots /                   | Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:     | /        |
| Wind Direction:                  | 0°                          | Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual: | /        |
| Altimeter Setting:               | 30 inches Hg                | Temperature/Dew Point:               | 21°C     |
| Precipitation and Obscuration:   | No Obscuration; No Precipit | ation                                |          |
| Departure Point:                 | (39N)                       | Type of Flight Plan Filed:           | None     |
| Destination:                     | (39N)                       | Type of Clearance:                   | None     |
| Departure Time:                  | 19:30 Local                 | Type of Airspace:                    | Class G  |

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### **Airport Information**

| Airport:             | PRINCETON AIRPORT 39N | Runway Surface Type:             | Asphalt                   |
|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Airport Elevation:   | 125 ft msl            | <b>Runway Surface Condition:</b> | Dry                       |
| Runway Used:         | 28                    | IFR Approach:                    |                           |
| Runway Length/Width: | 2800 ft / 60 ft       | VFR Approach/Landing:            | Full stop;Traffic pattern |

## Wreckage and Impact Information

| Crew Injuries:         | 1 Minor | Aircraft Damage:        | Substantial |
|------------------------|---------|-------------------------|-------------|
| Passenger<br>Injuries: |         | Aircraft Fire:          | None        |
| Ground Injuries:       | N/A     | Aircraft Explosion:     | None        |
| Total Injuries:        | 1 Minor | Latitude,<br>Longitude: |             |

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#### **Administrative Information**

| Investigator In Charge (IIC):     | Napolitan, Margaret                          |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| Additional Participating Persons: | TOMMY WARNER; ALLENTOWN , PA                 |  |
| Original Publish Date:            | November 15, 1993                            |  |
| Last Revision Date:               |  |  |
| Investigation Class:              | <u>Class</u>                                 |  |
| Note:                             |  |  |
| Investigation Docket:             | https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=11932 |  |

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