



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location: SPRINGFIELD, Ohio Accident Number: CHI83LA079

Date & Time: January 12, 1983, 13:15 Local Registration: N25353

Aircraft: PIPER PA-38-112 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Defining Event: 1 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Instructional

Analysis

THE ACFT SWERVED DURING LANDING AND THE LANDING GEAR SHEARED OFF. THIS WAS A SUPERVISED SOLO FLT AND THE PILOT HAD MADE ONE SUCESSFUL TOUCH AND GO LANDING. DURING THE 2ND LANDING THE ACFT SWERVED TO THE LEFT AND THE LANDING GEAR COLLAPSED.

Probable Cause and Findings

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

Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF CONTROL - ON GROUND/WATER

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

1. (C) DIRECTIONAL CONTROL - NOT MAINTAINED - PILOT IN COMMAND

2. (C) TOTAL - PILOT IN COMMAND

3. (C) GROUND LOOP/SWERVE - NOT CORRECTED - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: COMPLETE GEAR COLLAPSED

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

- 4. (F) LANDING GEAR, MAIN GEAR STRUT OVERLOAD 5. (F) LANDING GEAR, NOSE GEAR ASSEMBLY OVERLOAD

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Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Student	Age:	28,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):		Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):		Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 3 Valid Medicalw/ waivers/lim	Last FAA Medical Exam:	November 8, 1982
Occupational Pilot:	UNK	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	11 hours (Total, all aircraft), 11 hours (Total, this make and model), 1 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 11 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 1 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	PIPER	Registration:	N25353
Model/Series:	PA-38-112 PA-38-112	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	38-80A0115
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	May 11, 1982 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1670 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:		Engine Manufacturer:	LYCOMING
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	0-235
Registered Owner:	WRIGHT PATTERSON AERO CLUB	Rated Power:	112 Horsepower
Operator:		Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Does Business As:		Operator Designator Code:	

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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	SGH ,100 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:		Direction from Accident Site:	
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Visibility	7 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	7 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	340°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	2°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipita	ation	
Departure Point:	DAYTON , OH (FFO)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	VFR
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	00:00 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class D

Airport Information

Airport:	SPRINGFIELD SGH	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	1050 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	33	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	5500 ft / 150 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Traffic pattern

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:	

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Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Dinwiddie, Carl
Additional Participating Persons:	
Original Publish Date:	
Last Revision Date:	
Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>
Note:	
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=12066

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