



# Aviation Investigation Final Report

<b>Location:</b>	JACKSON, Ohio	<b>Accident Number:</b>	CHI88DEG01
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	September 18, 1988, 16:45 Local	<b>Registration:</b>	N9053D
<b>Aircraft:</b>	PIPER PA-22-160	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>	Substantial
<b>Defining Event:</b>		<b>Injuries:</b>	3 None
<b>Flight Conducted Under:</b>	Part 91: General aviation - Personal		

## Analysis

WHILE IN CRUISE FLIGHT, THE ENG BEGAN RUNNING ROUGH & WOULD NOT PRODUCE ENOUGH POWER TO MAINTAIN LEVEL FLT. THE PLT SELECTED A PASTURE FOR AN EMERGENCY LANDING. JUST BEFORE LANDING, THE ACFT STRUCK & SEVERED A TRANSMISSION LINE. IT THEN BRUSHED A TREETOP & CRASHED INTO A HAYBALE & A FENCE BEFORE COMING TO REST. AN EXAM OF THE ENG REVEALED THE #3 EXHAUST VALVE HAD FAILED.

## Probable Cause and Findings

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

### Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF ENGINE POWER(PARTIAL) - MECH FAILURE/MALF  
Phase of Operation: CRUISE - NORMAL

Findings  
1. (C) ENGINE ASSEMBLY, VALVE, EXHAUST - FAILURE, TOTAL  
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Occurrence #2: FORCED LANDING  
Phase of Operation: DESCENT - EMERGENCY  
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Occurrence #3: IN FLIGHT COLLISION WITH OBJECT  
Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

Findings

2. (C) VISUAL LOOKOUT - INADEQUATE - PILOT IN COMMAND
3. (F) OBJECT - WIRE, TRANSMISSION
4. (F) OBJECT - TREE(S)

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Occurrence #4: ON GROUND/WATER COLLISION WITH OBJECT  
Phase of Operation: LANDING

Findings

5. (F) OBJECT - FENCE

## Factual Information

### Pilot Information

<b>Certificate:</b>	Private	<b>Age:</b>	39, Male
<b>Airplane Rating(s):</b>	Single-engine land	<b>Seat Occupied:</b>	Left
<b>Other Aircraft Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Restraint Used:</b>	
<b>Instrument Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Second Pilot Present:</b>	No
<b>Instructor Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Toxicology Performed:</b>	No
<b>Medical Certification:</b>	Class 3 Valid Medical-w/ waivers/lim	<b>Last FAA Medical Exam:</b>	August 7, 1987
<b>Occupational Pilot:</b>	No	<b>Last Flight Review or Equivalent:</b>	
<b>Flight Time:</b>	75 hours (Total, all aircraft), 12 hours (Total, this make and model), 36 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 16 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 7 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft)		

### Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

<b>Aircraft Make:</b>	PIPER	<b>Registration:</b>	N9053D
<b>Model/Series:</b>	PA-22-160 PA-22-160	<b>Aircraft Category:</b>	Airplane
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>		<b>Amateur Built:</b>	
<b>Airworthiness Certificate:</b>	Normal	<b>Serial Number:</b>	22-6193
<b>Landing Gear Type:</b>	Tricycle	<b>Seats:</b>	4
<b>Date/Type of Last Inspection:</b>	February 13, 1988 Annual	<b>Certified Max Gross Wt.:</b>	2000 lbs
<b>Time Since Last Inspection:</b>	14 Hrs	<b>Engines:</b>	1 Reciprocating
<b>Airframe Total Time:</b>	2334 Hrs	<b>Engine Manufacturer:</b>	LYCOMING
<b>ELT:</b>	Installed, activated, aided in locating accident	<b>Engine Model/Series:</b>	O-320-B2A
<b>Registered Owner:</b>	STEVEN NMI REED	<b>Rated Power:</b>	160 Horsepower
<b>Operator:</b>		<b>Operating Certificate(s) Held:</b>	None
<b>Operator Does Business As:</b>		<b>Operator Designator Code:</b>	

## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

<b>Conditions at Accident Site:</b>	Visual (VMC)	<b>Condition of Light:</b>	Day
<b>Observation Facility, Elevation:</b>	CMH	<b>Distance from Accident Site:</b>	
<b>Observation Time:</b>	16:50 Local	<b>Direction from Accident Site:</b>	
<b>Lowest Cloud Condition:</b>	Scattered / 2500 ft AGL	<b>Visibility</b>	5 miles
<b>Lowest Ceiling:</b>	Broken / 3300 ft AGL	<b>Visibility (RVR):</b>	
<b>Wind Speed/Gusts:</b>	/	<b>Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:</b>	/
<b>Wind Direction:</b>	0°	<b>Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:</b>	/
<b>Altimeter Setting:</b>	30 inches Hg	<b>Temperature/Dew Point:</b>	26°C / 20°C
<b>Precipitation and Obscuration:</b>	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
<b>Departure Point:</b>	CHILLICOTHE , OH (RZT )	<b>Type of Flight Plan Filed:</b>	None
<b>Destination:</b>	(RZT )	<b>Type of Clearance:</b>	None
<b>Departure Time:</b>	16:20 Local	<b>Type of Airspace:</b>	Class G

## Airport Information

<b>Airport:</b>		<b>Runway Surface Type:</b>	
<b>Airport Elevation:</b>	0 ft msl	<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	
<b>Runway Used:</b>	0	<b>IFR Approach:</b>	None
<b>Runway Length/Width:</b>	0 ft / 0 ft	<b>VFR Approach/Landing:</b>	Forced landing

## Wreckage and Impact Information

<b>Crew Injuries:</b>	1 None	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>	Substantial
<b>Passenger Injuries:</b>	2 None	<b>Aircraft Fire:</b>	None
<b>Ground Injuries:</b>	N/A	<b>Aircraft Explosion:</b>	None
<b>Total Injuries:</b>	3 None	<b>Latitude, Longitude:</b>	39.199005,-82.680953(est)

## Administrative Information

**Investigator In Charge (IIC):** Laird jr., Joe

**Additional Participating Persons:**

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**Last Revision Date:**

**Investigation Class:** [Class](#)

**Note:**

**Investigation Docket:** <https://data.nts.gov/Docket?ProjectID=13859>

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