

Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location:	PLATTSMOUTH, N	ebraska	Accident Number:	CHI92LA296
Date & Time:	September 27, 199	2, 13:30 Local	Registration:	N1270C
Aircraft:	PIPER	PA-22	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Defining Event:			Injuries:	3 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General av	viation - Personal		

Analysis

THE AIRPLANE LANDED ON RUNWAY 16. THE PILOT LOST DIRECTIONAL CONTROL ON ROLL OUT, AND THE AIRPLANE GROUND LOOPED. LOCAL WINDS WERE NOT RECORDED; HOWEVER, A REPORTING STATION 26 MILES TO THE NORTH WAS REPORTING WINDS OF 350 DEGREES AT 14 KNOTS, 21 MINUTES AFTER THE ACCIDENT. THE PILOT ESTIMATED THE WINDS AT THE ACCIDENT SITE TO BE 240 DEGREES AT 10 TO 15 KNOTS, WITH GUSTS AS HIGH AS 20 KNOTS.

Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: THE PILOT-IN-COMMAND'S FAILURE TO ADEQUATELY COMPENSATE FOR WIND CONDITIONS, AND HIS NOT MAINTAINING DIRECTIONAL CONTROL.

Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF CONTROL - ON GROUND/WATER Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

1. WEATHER CONDITION - CROSSWIND

- 2. (C) COMPENSATION FOR WIND CONDITIONS INADEQUATE PILOT IN COMMAND
- 3. WEATHER CONDITION GUSTS
- 4. (C) DIRECTIONAL CONTROL NOT MAINTAINED PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: ON GROUND/WATER ENCOUNTER WITH TERRAIN/WATER Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings 5. GROUND LOOP/SWERVE - ENCOUNTERED - PILOT IN COMMAND

Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Commercial; Flight instructor	Age:	69,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land; Multi-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	Yes
Instructor Rating(s):	Airplane multi-engine; Airplane single-engine; Instrument airplane	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 2 Valid Medical-w/ waivers/lim	Last FAA Medical Exam:	August 10, 1992
Occupational Pilot:	UNK	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	8005 hours (Total, all aircraft), 92 hours (Total, this make and model), 7950 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 30 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 13 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 1 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	PIPER	Registration:	N1270C
Model/Series:	PA-22 PA-22	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	22-1063
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	4
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	December 15, 1991 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1950 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	85 Hrs	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	1530 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	LYCOMING
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	0-320-A2B
Registered Owner:		Rated Power:	150 Horsepower
Operator:	HOBSON, CLAUDE I.	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:	OVN ,983 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	26 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	13:51 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	350°
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Scattered / 5000 ft AGL	Visibility	15 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	14 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	350°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	21°C / 7°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:		Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	13:25 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class G

Airport Information

Airport:	PLATTSMOUTH AIRPORT PMV	Runway Surface Type:	Concrete
Airport Elevation:	1202 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	16	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	3000 ft / 50 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Full stop;Traffic pattern

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	2 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	3 None	Latitude, Longitude:	41.000988,-95.889747(est)

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Wilson, Stephen	
Additional Participating Persons:	JAKE WILSON; LINCOLN , NE	
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Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>	
Note:		
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=15563	

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