



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location: OPA LOCKA, Florida Incident Number: MIA84IA074

Date & Time: February 11, 1984, 17:30 Local Registration: N9707Y

Aircraft: BEECH 95-A55 Aircraft Damage: Minor

Defining Event: 3 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

Analysis

THE ACFT WAS INTENTIONALLY LANDED WITH THE LANDING GEAR RETRACTED WHEN THE LT MAIN GEAR COULD NOT BE EXTENDED. INSPECTION OF THE ACFT REVEALED THAT THE SPRING WHICH PULLS THE LT MAIN GEAR UPLOCK OUT OF THE WAY WHEN RELEASED HAD BECOME DISCONNECTED FROM THE UPLOCK DUE TO CORROSION DAMAGE TO THE METAL AT THE ATTACH POINT.

Probable Cause and Findings

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

Findings

Occurrence #1: AIRFRAME/COMPONENT/SYSTEM FAILURE/MALFUNCTION

Phase of Operation: APPROACH - VFR PATTERN - DOWNWIND

Findings

- 1. (C) LANDING GEAR, GEAR LOCKING MECHANISM CORRODED
- 2. (C) LANDING GEAR, GEAR LOCKING MECHANISM FAILURE, PARTIAL
- 3. (C) MAINTENANCE, INSPECTION IMPROPER OTHER MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL
- 4. (C) LANDING GEAR, MAIN GEAR JAMMED

Occurrence #2: IN FLIGHT COLLISION WITH TERRAIN/WATER

Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

Findings
5. WHEELS UP LANDING - INTENTIONAL - PILOT IN COMMAND

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Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Commercial	Age:	50,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land; Single-engine sea; Multi-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 1 Valid Medicalw/ waivers/lim	Last FAA Medical Exam:	December 20, 1983
Occupational Pilot:	No	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:			

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	BEECH	Registration:	N9707Y
Model/Series:	95-A55 95-A55	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	TC-417
Landing Gear Type:	Retractable - Tricycle	Seats:	6
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	December 15, 1983 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	4880 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	6 Hrs	Engines:	2 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	2280 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	IO-470-L
Registered Owner:	AMBROSE REALTY CORPORATION	Rated Power:	260 Horsepower
Operator:	LEONARD FRISHMAN	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:	OPF,9 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:	17:30 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Scattered / 2000 ft AGL	Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Broken / 10000 ft AGL	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	8 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	100°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	23°C / 16°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipita	ation	
Departure Point:	GRT HARBOUR CAY, OF (MYBG)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	VFR
Destination:	OPA LOCKA , FL (OPF)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	16:10 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class D

Airport Information

Airport:	OPA-LOCKA OPE	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	9 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	18L	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	4374 ft / 244 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Traffic pattern

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Minor
Passenger Injuries:	2 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	3 None	Latitude, Longitude:	25.909769,-80.270561(est)

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Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Kennedy, Jeffrey	
Additional Participating Persons:	MATTHEW KLOS; MIAMI , FL	
Original Publish Date:		
Last Revision Date:		
Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>	
Note:		
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=31034	

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