

Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location:	WICHITA, Kansas		Accident Number:	MKC85LA195
Date & Time:	August 19, 1985, 15:15 Local		Registration:	N386T
Aircraft:	BEECH	95-B55	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Defining Event:			Injuries:	2 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation - Personal			

Analysis

THE PLT STATED HE TOUCHED DOWN WITH WHAT APPEARED TO BE A SOFT LANDING BUT THE ACFT STARTED TO PORPOISE. A GO-AROUND WAS PERFORMED AND ANOTHER LANDING ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT INCIDENT, HOWEVER, THE ACFT WAS SUBSTANTIALLY DAMAGED DURING THE FIRST LANDING.

Probable Cause and Findings

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

Findings

Occurrence #1: HARD LANDING Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

Findings

1. (C) FLARE - IMPROPER - PILOT IN COMMAND

2. (C) RECOVERY FROM BOUNCED LANDING - INADEQUATE - PILOT IN COMMAND

Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Commercial	Age:	60,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:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 2 Valid Medicalw/ waivers/lim	Last FAA Medical Exam:	March 14, 1985
Occupational Pilot:	No	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	3878 hours (Total, all aircraft), 571 hours (Total, this make and model), 3496 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 48 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 6 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	BEECH	Registration:	N386T
Model/Series:	95-B55 95-B55	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	TC-644
Landing Gear Type:	Retractable - Tricycle	Seats:	6
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	September 4, 1984 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	4100 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	97 Hrs	Engines:	2 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	3373 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	10-470-L
Registered Owner:	FRANK A. ASCHENBRENNER	Rated Power:	260 Horsepower
Operator:		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:		Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:		Direction from Accident Site:	
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	7 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	360°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	26°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	ALBUQUERQUE , NM (ABQ)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	IFR
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	IFR
Departure Time:	12:30 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class D

Airport Information

Airport:	WICHITA MID-CONTINENT ICT	Runway Surface Type:	Concrete
Airport Elevation:	1332 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	1L	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	10300 ft / 150 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Full stop;Traffic pattern

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	2 None	Latitude, Longitude:	37.650367,-97.430274(est)

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Roth, Eugene		
Additional Participating Persons:	ТОМ	ELLIOTT; WICHITA	, KS
Original Publish Date:			
Last Revision Date:			
Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>		
Note:			
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=34015		

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