



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location: KAYAK ISLAND, Alaska Accident Number: ANC90LA049

Date & Time: March 31, 1990, 11:10 Local Registration: N5061G

Aircraft: BELLANCA 7GCBC Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Defining Event: 2 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

Analysis

ACCORDING TO THE PLT, HE WAS TAXING TO TAKEOFF FROM A BEACH, WHEN THE RIGHT MAIN GEAR STRUCK A LOG & COLLAPSED. THE RIGHT WING THEN DRAGGED ACROSS THE GROUND & WAS DAMAGED.

Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: THE PILOT'S FAILURE TO USE A SUITABLE AREA TO TAXI FOR TAKEOFF. THE HIDDEN OBSTRUCTION (LOG) WAS A RELATED FACTOR.

Findings

Occurrence #1: ON GROUND/WATER COLLISION WITH OBJECT

Phase of Operation: TAXI - TO TAKEOFF

Findings

1. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION - HIDDEN OBSTRUCTION(S)

2. (C) UNSUITABLE TERRAIN OR TAKEOFF/LANDING/TAXI AREA - SELECTED - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: MAIN GEAR COLLAPSED Phase of Operation: TAXI - TO TAKEOFF

Findings
3. LANDING GEAR, MAIN GEAR - OVERLOAD

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Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Private	Age:	45,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land; Single-engine sea	Seat Occupied:	Front
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 3 Valid Medicalw/ waivers/lim	Last FAA Medical Exam:	March 16, 1989
Occupational Pilot:	UNK Last Flight Review or Equivalent:		
Flight Time:	2511 hours (Total, all aircraft), 2411 hours (Total, this make and model), 2511 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 40 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 10 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 4 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

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Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	BELLANCA	Registration:	N5061G
Model/Series:	7GCBC 7GCBC	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	1167
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	April 6, 1989 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1650 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	255 Hrs	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	2411 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	LYCOMING
ELT:	Installed, activated, did not aid in locating accident	Engine Model/Series:	O-320-A2D
Registered Owner:	STAN MALA	Rated Power:	150 Horsepower
Operator:	STAN MALA	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Does Business As:		Operator Designator Code:	

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

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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:	Unknown	Visibility	20 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Broken / 5000 ft AGL	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	3 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	90°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	4°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipit	ation	
Departure Point:	(NONE)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	(NONE)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	13:35 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class G

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Airport Information

Airport:	NONE	Runway Surface Type:	
Airport Elevation:	0 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	
Runway Used:	0	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	0 ft / 0 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	None

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:	60.789905,-145.610931(est)

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Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC): Kobelnyk, George

Additional Participating ; ANCHORAGE , AK

Persons:

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Investigation Class: Class

Note:

Investigation Docket: https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=5348

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