



# **Aviation Investigation Final Report**

Location: GUSTAVUS, Alaska **Accident Number:** ANC90LA141

Date & Time: August 11, 1990, 17:40 Local Registration: N783LK

Aircraft: **PIPER** PA-22-150 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

**Defining Event:** Injuries: 4 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

### **Analysis**

THE PILOT STATED THAT THE AIRPLANE 'GOT AWAY FROM HIM' DURING THE LANDING ROLL. THE AIRPLANE SUBSEQUENTLY GROUND LOOPED, THE LEFT MAIN LANDING GEAR COLLAPSED, AND THE LEFT WING HIT THE GROUND.

### **Probable Cause and Findings**

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: THE PILOT'S FAILURE TO MAINTAIN DIRECTIONAL CONTROL DURING THE LANDING ROLL.

#### **Findings**

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF CONTROL - ON GROUND/WATER

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

#### **Findings**

1. (C) DIRECTIONAL CONTROL - NOT MAINTAINED - PILOT IN COMMAND

2. (C) GROUND LOOP/SWERVE - INADVERTENT - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: MAIN GEAR COLLAPSED Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

#### **Findings**

3. LANDING GEAR - OVERLOAD

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## **Factual Information**

### **Pilot Information**

Certificate:	Private	Age:	34,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Unknown
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):		Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 2 Valid Medicalno waivers/lim.	Last FAA Medical Exam:	March 31, 1989
Occupational Pilot:	UNK	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	2000 hours (Total, all aircraft), 1500 hours (Total, this make and model)		

### **Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information**

Aircraft Make:	PIPER	Registration:	N783LK
Model/Series:	PA-22-150 PA-22-150	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:		Serial Number:	22-6900
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	4
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	Unknown	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1840 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	0 Hrs	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:		Engine Manufacturer:	LYCOMING
ELT:		Engine Model/Series:	0-320
Registered Owner:	UNKNOWN	Rated Power:	150 Horsepower
Operator:	BRUCE W KRUGER	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:		Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:		Direction from Accident Site:	
<b>Lowest Cloud Condition:</b>	Clear	Visibility	50 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	5 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	270°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	21°C / -18°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precip	itation	
Departure Point:	JUNEAU , AK (JUN )	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	17:00 Local	Type of Airspace:	

## **Airport Information**

Airport:	GUSTAVUS GST	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	30 ft msl	<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	Dry
Runway Used:	10	IFR Approach:	
Runway Length/Width:	6800 ft / 150 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	

## Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	3 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	4 None	Latitude, Longitude:	58.420528,-135.779006(est)

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#### **Administrative Information**

Investigator In Charge (IIC): Daw, Roy

Additional Participating Persons:

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Note:

Investigation Docket: https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=5426

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