

Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location:	OZARK, Alabama		Accident Number:	ATL85LA004
Date & Time:	October 9, 1984, 17:00) Local	Registration:	N5065Z
Aircraft:	BELLANCA	7GCBC	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Defining Event:			Injuries:	1 Minor
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation - Instructional			

Analysis

THE STUDENT PLT WAS ON HER FOURTH SUPERVISED SOLO FLT. DURING THE GROUND ROLL OF HER FOURTH LANDING THE ACFT STARTED TO GO LEFT OF THE RWY CENTERLINE. THE PLT SAID SHE OVER CORRECTED TWICE AND ENDED UP HEADING OFF THE RWY TOWARD A DITCH. INAN ATTEMPT TO OVERLY THE DITCH THE ACFT WAS PULLED OFF THE GROUND IN A STEEP NOSE UP ATTITUDE WITH FLAPS STILL EXTENDED.THE ACFT STALLED AND AFTER DRAGGING A WING TIP IT CARTWHEELED AND SLID TO A STOP.

Probable Cause and Findings

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

Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF CONTROL - IN FLIGHT Phase of Operation: GO-AROUND (VFR)

Findings

- 1. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION DITCH
- 2. (C) FLIGHT CONTROLS IMPROPER USE OF PILOT IN COMMAND
- 3. (F) LACK OF TOTAL EXPERIENCE PILOT IN COMMAND
- 4. (C) RAISING OF FLAPS NOT PERFORMED PILOT IN COMMAND
- 5. (C) ROTATION EXCESSIVE PILOT IN COMMAND
- 6. (C) AIRSPEED NOT ATTAINED PILOT IN COMMAND

7. (C) STALL - UNCONTROLLED - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: IN FLIGHT COLLISION WITH TERRAIN/WATER Phase of Operation: DESCENT - UNCONTROLLED

Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Student	Age:	18,Female
Airplane Rating(s):	None	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 Medicalno waivers/lim.	Last FAA Medical Exam:	September 24, 1984
Occupational Pilot:	No	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	19 hours (Total, all aircraft), 19 hour all aircraft), 19 hours (Last 90 days,	rs (Total, this make and model), 2 hour all aircraft)	rs (Pilot In Command,

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	BELLANCA	Registration:	N5065Z
Model/Series:	7GCBC 7GCBC	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	1181-80
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	October 9, 1984 100 hour	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1650 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	1 Hrs	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	653 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	LYCOMING
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	0-320
Registered Owner:	ALABAMA AVIATION TECHNICAL COL	Rated Power:	150 Horsepower
Operator:		Operating Certificate(s) Held:	
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:	DHN ,401 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	12 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	17:00 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	120°
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Scattered / 2500 ft AGL	Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Broken / 3500 ft AGL	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	10 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	50°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	28°C / 13°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	OZARK , AL	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	16:00 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class G

Airport Information

Airport:	BLACKWELL	Runway Surface Type:	Macadam
Airport Elevation:	354 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	12	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	4700 ft / 40 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	None

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Minor	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 Minor	Latitude, Longitude:	

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Powell, Phillip		
Additional Participating Persons:	JOHN LAWRENCE; BIRMINGHAM , AL		
Original Publish Date:			
Last Revision Date:			
Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>		
Note:			
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=6684		

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