



# **Aviation Investigation Final Report**

Location: Pulaski, Wisconsin Accident Number: CHI08CA130

Date & Time: May 14, 2008, 18:00 Local Registration: N22997

Aircraft: Cessna 150 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

**Defining Event:** Loss of control on ground **Injuries:** 1 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Instructional

#### **Analysis**

The student pilot related that he was on his first solo landing when the airplane began to porpoise. He said he did not have the experience or knowledge to correct the porpoise. The porpoise oscillation continued until the nose landing gear collapsed, and the airplane nosed over, sustaining substantial damage.

### **Probable Cause and Findings**

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: The student pilot's failure to take remedial action in response to a porpoise/pilot-induced oscillation during landing. Factors were the porpoise, the pilot's lack of experience, and the separation of the nose landing gear.

#### **Findings**

Personnel issues Lack of action - Pilot
Personnel issues Total experience - Pilot

Aircraft Nose/tail landing gear - Failure

### **Factual Information**

### History of Flight

Landing	Loss of control on ground (Defining event)
Landing	Collision with terr/obj (non-CFIT)
Landing	Nose over/nose down

#### **Pilot Information**

Certificate:	Student	Age:	48,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	None	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 3 Without waivers/limitations	Last FAA Medical Exam:	March 1, 2008
Occupational Pilot:		Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	10 hours (Total, all aircraft), 10 hour	s (Total, this make and model)	

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

Aircraft Make:	Cessna	Registration:	N22997
Model/Series:	150	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	15068669
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:		Certified Max Gross Wt.:	
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:		Engine Manufacturer:	Continental
ELT:		Engine Model/Series:	0-200
Registered Owner:	Blue Skies Aviation of Wisconsin, Inc.	Rated Power:	100 Horsepower
Operator:		Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

## 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>		Visibility	
Lowest Ceiling:		Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	/	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:		Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	Pulaski, WI (92C)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:		Type of Airspace:	

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### Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 None	Latitude, Longitude:	44.641109,-88.215278

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#### **Administrative Information**

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Brannen, John
Additional Participating Persons:	Raymond Peterson; Milwaukee, WI
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Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>
Note:	This accident report documents the factual circumstances of this accident as described to the NTSB.
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=68262

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