



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location:	RUSSELLVILLE, Kentucky	Accident Number:	ATL82DA085
Date & Time:	March 24, 1982, 16:00 Local	Registration:	N48952
Aircraft:	CESSNA 152	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Defining Event:		Injuries:	1 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation - Personal		

Analysis

THE STUDENT PILOT WAS ON HER SECOND SUPERVISED SOLO ENGAGED IN TOUCH AND GO LANDINGS. DURING HER SECOND LANDING THE AIRCRAFT STARTED TO DRIFT LEFT LEAVING THE RUNWAY ENVIRONMENT AND COLLIDING WITH A DITCH BEFORE NOSING OVER. THE STUDENT STATED THAT SHE HAD A MENTAL BLOCK AND FROZE.

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 - ON GROUND/WATER
Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

1. TOUCH-AND-GO - PERFORMED - PILOT IN COMMAND
2. (C) DIRECTIONAL CONTROL - NOT MAINTAINED - PILOT IN COMMAND
3. (C) PANIC - PILOT IN COMMAND
4. GROUND LOOP/SWERVE - CONTINUED - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: ON GROUND/WATER ENCOUNTER WITH TERRAIN/WATER
Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

5. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION - DITCH

Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Student	Age:	17,Female
Airplane Rating(s):		Seat Occupied:	Unknown
Other Aircraft Rating(s):		Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 3 Valid Medical--no waivers/lim.	Last FAA Medical Exam:	March 3, 1982
Occupational Pilot:	UNK	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	16 hours (Total, all aircraft), 16 hours (Total, this make and model), 12 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N48952
Model/Series:	152 152	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:		Serial Number:	15281069
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	Unknown	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1670 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	7 Hrs	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	828 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	LYCOMING
ELT:	Installed	Engine Model/Series:	O-235-L2C
Registered Owner:	JERRY MCKINNEY	Rated Power:	110 Horsepower
Operator:	KIMBERLY KAYE WALKER	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:		Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:		Direction from Accident Site:	
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Visibility	15 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Unknown	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	8 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	240°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	50°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	RUSSELLVILLE , KY (4M7)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	RUSSELLVILLE , KY (4M7)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	15:50 Local	Type of Airspace:	

Airport Information

Airport:	RUSSELLVILLE-LOGAN COUNTY 4M7	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	0 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	24	IFR Approach:	
Runway Length/Width:	3300 ft / 60 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Traffic pattern

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:	36.829689,-86.889434(est)

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):

Additional Participating Persons:

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Investigation Class: [Class](#)

Note:

Investigation Docket: <https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=72437>

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