



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location: SAN CARLOS, California Accident Number: LAX82DVM14

Date & Time: May 28, 1982, 17:06 Local Registration: N5138H

Aircraft: CESSNA 152 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Defining Event: 1 Serious

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

Analysis

THE STUDENT PILOT WAS PRACTICING SHORT FIELD LANDINGS. ON FINAL THE PILOT LOWERED THE NOSE OF THE AIRCRAFT AND LEVELED THE WINGS, THE NOSE WHEEL STRUCK THE RUNWAY CALLAPSING THE NOSE GEAR.

Probable Cause and Findings

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

Findings

Occurrence #1: HARD LANDING

Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

Findings

1. (C) FLIGHT CONTROLS - IMPROPER USE OF - PILOT IN COMMAND

2. (C) FLARE - IMPROPER - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: NOSE GEAR COLLAPSED

Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Student	Age:	53,Male
Airplane Rating(s):		Seat Occupied:	Unknown
Other Aircraft Rating(s):		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:	May 27, 1982
Occupational Pilot:	UNK	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	91 hours (Total, all aircraft), 61 hours (Total, this make and model), 40 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 5 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 1 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N5138H
Model/Series:	152 152	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:		Serial Number:	15284065
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	Unknown	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1670 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	35 Hrs	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	1332 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	LYCOMING
ELT:	Installed	Engine Model/Series:	0-235
Registered Owner:	SKYWAY AVIA.	Rated Power:	115 Horsepower
Operator:	SKYWAY AVIA.	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	
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:	
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Visibility	5 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Unknown	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	8 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	300°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	29 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	
Precipitation and Obscuration:	N/A - None - Haze		
Departure Point:	SAN CARLOS , CA (10)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	SAN CARLOS , CA (10)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	17:00 Local	Type of Airspace:	

Airport Information

Airport:	SAN CARLOS 10	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	0 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	30	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	3000 ft / 0 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	None

Wreckage and Impact Information

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

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Administrative Information

Investigation Docket:

Investigator In Charge (IIC):

Additional Participating Persons:

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Investigation Class: Class
Note:

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