



# Aviation Investigation Final Report

<b>Location:</b>	Hemet, California	<b>Accident Number:</b>	WPR09CA365
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	July 25, 2009, 08:00 Local	<b>Registration:</b>	N918ZZ
<b>Aircraft:</b>	AMERICAN LEGEND AIRCRAFT CO AL3	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>	Substantial
<b>Defining Event:</b>	Loss of control on ground	<b>Injuries:</b>	2 None
<b>Flight Conducted Under:</b>	Part 91: General aviation - Instructional		

## Analysis

The certificated flight instructor (CFI) was providing primary flight instruction to a student pilot in a tail wheel-equipped airplane. The CFI reported that he demonstrated the first landing, and the following landings were conducted by the student pilot. On the third landing, the airplane touched down on the main tires "straight, with no bounce." During the landing roll, while the tail wheel was still off the ground, the airplane veered slightly to the left and the student pilot applied left rudder. Subsequently, the airplane veered sharply to the left and the student pilot applied full brakes. The airplane exited the runway and nosed over. The airplane's wings and rudder sustained substantial damage. The pilots reported no mechanical failures or malfunctions prior to the accident.

## 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 maintain directional control during the landing roll and excessive use of the brakes.

## Findings

<b>Personnel issues</b>	Aircraft control - Student/instructed pilot
<b>Aircraft</b>	Brake - Incorrect use/operation
<b>Aircraft</b>	Directional control - Not attained/maintained

## Factual Information

### History of Flight

<b>Landing-landing roll</b>	Loss of control on ground (Defining event)
<b>Landing-landing roll</b>	Nose over/nose down

### Flight instructor Information

<b>Certificate:</b>	Airline transport; Flight instructor	<b>Age:</b>	56, Male
<b>Airplane Rating(s):</b>	Single-engine land; Multi-engine land	<b>Seat Occupied:</b>	Rear
<b>Other Aircraft Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Restraint Used:</b>	
<b>Instrument Rating(s):</b>	Airplane	<b>Second Pilot Present:</b>	Yes
<b>Instructor Rating(s):</b>	Airplane multi-engine; Airplane single-engine; Instrument airplane; Sport pilot	<b>Toxicology Performed:</b>	No
<b>Medical Certification:</b>	Class 3 With waivers/limitations	<b>Last FAA Medical Exam:</b>	June 16, 2008
<b>Occupational Pilot:</b>	Yes	<b>Last Flight Review or Equivalent:</b>	June 5, 2009
<b>Flight Time:</b>	18724 hours (Total, all aircraft), 14 hours (Total, this make and model), 18520 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 50 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 37 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 6 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

### Student pilot Information

<b>Certificate:</b>	Student	<b>Age:</b>	66, Male
<b>Airplane Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Seat Occupied:</b>	Front
<b>Other Aircraft Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Restraint Used:</b>	
<b>Instrument Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Second Pilot Present:</b>	Yes
<b>Instructor Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Toxicology Performed:</b>	No
<b>Medical Certification:</b>	Sport pilot With waivers/limitations	<b>Last FAA Medical Exam:</b>	
<b>Occupational Pilot:</b>	No	<b>Last Flight Review or Equivalent:</b>	
<b>Flight Time:</b>	67 hours (Total, all aircraft), 13 hours (Total, this make and model), 1 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 23 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 11 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 1 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

## Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

<b>Aircraft Make:</b>	AMERICAN LEGEND AIRCRAFT CO	<b>Registration:</b>	N918ZZ
<b>Model/Series:</b>	AL3	<b>Aircraft Category:</b>	Airplane
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>		<b>Amateur Built:</b>	
<b>Airworthiness Certificate:</b>	Experimental light sport (Special)	<b>Serial Number:</b>	AL-1058
<b>Landing Gear Type:</b>	Tailwheel	<b>Seats:</b>	2
<b>Date/Type of Last Inspection:</b>	November 24, 2008 Annual	<b>Certified Max Gross Wt.:</b>	1320 lbs
<b>Time Since Last Inspection:</b>	29 Hrs	<b>Engines:</b>	1 Reciprocating
<b>Airframe Total Time:</b>	119 Hrs at time of accident	<b>Engine Manufacturer:</b>	CONT MOTOR
<b>ELT:</b>	Installed, activated, did not aid in locating accident	<b>Engine Model/Series:</b>	O-200
<b>Registered Owner:</b>	DENNEY R. MARSH	<b>Rated Power:</b>	100 Horsepower
<b>Operator:</b>	DENNEY R. MARSH	<b>Operating Certificate(s) Held:</b>	None

## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

<b>Conditions at Accident Site:</b>	Visual (VMC)	<b>Condition of Light:</b>	Day
<b>Observation Facility, Elevation:</b>	RIV, 1535 ft msl	<b>Distance from Accident Site:</b>	15 Nautical Miles
<b>Observation Time:</b>	07:55 Local	<b>Direction from Accident Site:</b>	315°
<b>Lowest Cloud Condition:</b>	Clear	<b>Visibility</b>	10 miles
<b>Lowest Ceiling:</b>	None	<b>Visibility (RVR):</b>	
<b>Wind Speed/Gusts:</b>	/	<b>Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:</b>	/
<b>Wind Direction:</b>		<b>Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:</b>	/
<b>Altimeter Setting:</b>	29.95 inches Hg	<b>Temperature/Dew Point:</b>	23°C / 17°C
<b>Precipitation and Obscuration:</b>	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
<b>Departure Point:</b>	Hemet, CA (HMT )	<b>Type of Flight Plan Filed:</b>	None
<b>Destination:</b>	Hemet, CA (HMT )	<b>Type of Clearance:</b>	None
<b>Departure Time:</b>		<b>Type of Airspace:</b>	

## Airport Information

<b>Airport:</b>	Hemet-Ryan Airport HMT	<b>Runway Surface Type:</b>	Asphalt
<b>Airport Elevation:</b>	1512 ft msl	<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	Dry
<b>Runway Used:</b>	23	<b>IFR Approach:</b>	None
<b>Runway Length/Width:</b>	4314 ft / 100 ft	<b>VFR Approach/Landing:</b>	Full stop

## Wreckage and Impact Information

<b>Crew Injuries:</b>	2 None	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>	Substantial
<b>Passenger Injuries:</b>		<b>Aircraft Fire:</b>	None
<b>Ground Injuries:</b>	N/A	<b>Aircraft Explosion:</b>	None
<b>Total Injuries:</b>	2 None	<b>Latitude, Longitude:</b>	33.733612,-117.020278(est)

## Administrative Information

<b>Investigator In Charge (IIC):</b>	Hogenson, Dennis
<b>Additional Participating Persons:</b>	Jim Ferguson; Federal Aviation Administration; Riverside, CA
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<b>Investigation Class:</b>	<a href="#">Class</a>
<b>Note:</b>	This accident report documents the factual circumstances of this accident as described to the NTSB.
<b>Investigation Docket:</b>	<a href="https://data.nts.gov/Docket?ProjectID=74361">https://data.nts.gov/Docket?ProjectID=74361</a>

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