

Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location: Kingman, Kansas Accident Number: GAA15CA226

Date & Time: August 4, 2015, 20:15 Local Registration: N1030S

Aircraft: STICK & RAG FLYING CLUB CB 1 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Defining Event: Part(s) separation from AC **Injuries:** 1 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

Analysis

The pilot reported that during the landing, the left main landing gear wheel separated from the landing gear assembly. The pilot had made a three point landing, and stated that "I may have hit a deer," because he "saw 5 or more deer on south side of runway centerline," prior to landing. He reported that the "airplane traveled to left side of runway despite brake and full right rudder." The bi-plane departed the left side of the runway and nosed over, sustaining substantial damage to the right wing and both the right and left wing struts.

A postaccident examination of photographs of the landing gear provided by the pilot, showed that the wheel separated from the landing gear assembly along a welded joint. There was no evidence of impact prior to the separation.

The pilot reported there were no pre-impact mechanical failures or malfunctions with the airframe or engine that would have precluded normal operation.

Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: The separation of the left wheel from the landing gear assembly during the landing touchdown, which precipitated a loss of directional control, runway excursion, and nose over.

Findings

Aircraft Main landing gear attach sec - Failure

Aircraft Heading/course - Attain/maintain not possible

Personnel issues Aircraft control - Pilot

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Factual Information

History of Flight

Landing-flare/touchdown	Part(s) separation from AC (Defining event)	
Landing-landing roll	Attempted remediation/recovery	
Landing-landing roll	Loss of control on ground	
Landing-landing roll	Runway excursion	
Landing-landing roll	Collision with terr/obj (non-CFIT)	
Landing-landing roll	Nose over/nose down	

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Commercial	Age:	63
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Rear
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	4-point
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 3 With waivers/limitations	Last FAA Medical Exam:	March 3, 2015
Occupational Pilot:	No	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	May 2, 2015
Flight Time:	(Estimated) 667 hours (Total, all aircraft), 6 hours (Total, this make and model), 667 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 46 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 12 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 2 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

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Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	STICK & RAG FLYING CLUB	Registration:	N1030S
Model/Series:	CB 1 NO SERIES	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:	1979	Amateur Built:	Yes
Airworthiness Certificate:	Experimental (Special)	Serial Number:	60
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	April 12, 2015 Condition	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1500 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	356.5 Hrs at time of accident	Engine Manufacturer:	Lycoming
ELT:	Not installed	Engine Model/Series:	0-320-E2A
Registered Owner:	On file	Rated Power:	150 Horsepower
Operator:	On file	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KHUT,1542 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	27 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	00:52 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	27°
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	10 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/ None
Wind Direction:	160°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/ N/A
Altimeter Setting:	29.92 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	27°C / 20°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	Kingman, KS (9K8)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	Kingman, KS (9K8)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	19:25 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class G

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Airport Information

Airport:	KINGMAN AIRPORT - CLYDE CESSNA 9K8	Runway Surface Type:	Concrete
Airport Elevation:	1607 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	11	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	3400 ft / 60 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Full stop;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:	37.670276,-98.125831(est)

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Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Hodges, Michael
Additional Participating Persons:	Dieter C Reinhard; FAA Wichita FSDO; Wichita, KS
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Investigation Class:	Class
Note:	This accident report documents the factual circumstances of this accident as described to the NTSB.
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=91800

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