



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location: CHESAPEAKE, Virginia Accident Number: GAA16CA094

Date & Time: January 1, 2016, 14:30 Local Registration: N112TE

Aircraft: COSTRUZIONI AERONAUTICHE TECNA P92 EAGLET Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Defining Event: Loss of control in flight **Injuries:** 1 Minor

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

Analysis

The pilot reported that he was practicing touch-and-go landings in the airport traffic pattern. He made one trip in the airport traffic pattern and touched down on the runway. After touching down, he applied full power to take off and the airplane veered and banked to the left. The pilot further reported that the left wing impacted the ground when the airplane was about 20 to 30 feet above the ground. The airplane rotated around the wing and impacted the ground off the left side of the runway. The airplane sustained substantial damage to the fuselage, firewall, and both wings.

The pilot reported that there were no preimpact 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 pilot's loss of directional control during takeoff which resulted in impact with the ground.

Findings

Personnel issues	Aircraft control - Pilot
Aircraft	Directional control - Not attained/maintained

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Factual Information

History of Flight

Takeoff	Loss of control in flight (Defining event)
Takeoff	Collision with terr/obj (non-CFIT)

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Private	Age:	63,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	3-point
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 3 With waivers/limitations	Last FAA Medical Exam:	August 19, 2014
Occupational Pilot:	No	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	December 11, 2014
Flight Time:	(Estimated) 115 hours (Total, all aircraft), 5.9 hours (Total, this make and model), 57.5 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 1.5 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 0.5 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

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Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	COSTRUZIONI AERONAUTICHE TECNA	Registration:	N112TE
Model/Series:	P92 EAGLET	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:	2007	Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Special light-sport (Special)	Serial Number:	1120
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	December 22, 2015 100 hour	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1323 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	833.27 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	ROTAX
ELT:	C91A installed, activated, did not aid in locating accident	Engine Model/Series:	912ULS
Registered Owner:	MID ATLANTIC AIR VENTURES INC	Rated Power:	98 Horsepower
Operator:	BROAD REACH CORP.	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Does Business As:	CURTIS EADS FLIGHT SCHOOL	Operator Designator Code:	

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KPVG,23 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	0 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	19:35 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	319°
Lowest Cloud Condition:		Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Broken / 2500 ft AGL	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	3 knots / None	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/ None
Wind Direction:	310°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/ N/A
Altimeter Setting:	30.1 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	10°C / 5°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	CHESAPEAKE, VA (PVG)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	CHESAPEAKE, VA (PVG)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	14:15 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class G

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Airport Information

Airport:	HAMPTON ROADS EXECUTIVE PVG	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	28 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	28	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	5350 ft / 100 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Go around;Touch and go;Traffic pattern

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Minor	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 Minor	Latitude, Longitude:	36.778888,-76.445556(est)

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Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Bigelow, Bradley
Additional Participating Persons:	Randy Clark; Federal Aviation Administration; Richmond, VA
Original Publish Date:	March 14, 2016
Last Revision Date:	
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=92527

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