



# **Aviation Investigation Final Report**

Location: Llano, Texas Accident Number: GAA17CA050

Date & Time: October 21, 2016, 13:30 Local Registration: N5075S

Aircraft: Cessna 305 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

**Defining Event:** Loss of control on ground **Injuries:** 1 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

#### **Analysis**

The pilot of the tailwheel equipped airplane reported that during the landing roll in cross wind conditions, he was unable to maintain control of the airplane. The pilot further reported that the airplane veered to the left and exited the runway.

The airplane sustained substantial damage to the right aileron and right elevator.

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

The pilot landed runway 17, and reported the wind as 110 degrees true, 10 nautical miles per hour (knots), with gusts 15-20 knots.

A review of local weather from an automated weather observation station located on the airfield, showed that at the time of the accident the wind was reported as 080 degrees true at 6 knots.

### **Probable Cause and Findings**

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

The pilot's failure to maintain directional control during the landing roll in cross wind conditions.

### **Findings**

Aircraft Directional control - Not attained/maintained

Personnel issues Aircraft control - Pilot

Environmental issues Crosswind - Effect on operation

**Environmental issues** Crosswind - Ability to respond/compensate

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# **Factual Information**

# History of Flight

Landing-landing roll	Loss of control on ground (Defining event)	
Landing-landing roll	Runway excursion	
Landing-landing roll	Dragged wing/rotor/float/other	

### **Pilot Information**

Certificate:	Commercial	Age:	64,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land; Single-engine sea; Multi-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Front
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 2 With waivers/limitations	Last FAA Medical Exam:	August 10, 2016
Occupational Pilot:	No	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	November 27, 2012
Flight Time:	(Estimated) 628.7 hours (Total, all aircraft), 11 hours (Total, this make and model), 396.2 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 7 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

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# **Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information**

Aircraft Make:	Cessna	Registration:	N5075S
Model/Series:	305 A	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:	1951	Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal; Utility	Serial Number:	21529
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	October 19, 2016 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	2300 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:		Engine Manufacturer:	CONT MOTOR
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	0-470 SERIES
Registered Owner:	On file	Rated Power:	
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:	KAQ0,1102 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	0 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	18:30 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	183°
<b>Lowest Cloud Condition:</b>	Clear	Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	6 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/ None
Wind Direction:	80°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/ N/A
Altimeter Setting:	30.29 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	23°C / 6°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	LAGO VISTA, TX (RYW)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	JUNCTION, TX (JCT)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	12:00 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class G

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# **Airport Information**

Airport:	LLANO MUNI AQO	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	1101 ft msl	<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	Unknown
Runway Used:	17	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	4202 ft / 75 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Full stop

# 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:	30.784999,-98.661941(est)

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#### **Administrative Information**

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Swenson, Eric
Additional Participating Persons:	Ramon O Reyes; FAA; San Antonio, TX
Original Publish Date:	December 15, 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=94315

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