

1. LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE

Lismore Aerodrome, New South Wales	Height a.m.s.l. (ft) 35 feet	Date 1.6.70	Time (Local) 0850	Zone EST
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2. THE AIRCRAFT

Make and Model Victa 115 "Airtourer"	Registration VH-CNE	Certificate of Airworthiness	Valid from 9.12.64	Valid to 8.12.73
Registered Owner Northern Rivers Aero Club, P.O. Box 113, Lismore, New South Wales.	Operator Northern Rivers Aero Club, P.O. Box 113, Lismore, New South Wales.	Degree of damage to aircraft Substantial		
		Other property damaged Wire fence.		
Defects discovered				

3. THE FLIGHT

Last or intended departure point Lismore Aerodrome	Time of departure 0845	Next point of intended landing Point of departure	Purpose of flight Training Solo	Class of operation Aerial Work
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THE CREW

Name	Status	Age	Class of licence	Hours on type	Total hours	Degree of injury
John Frederick Le Poer TRENCH	Pilot	59	Student	31	31	Nil

5. OTHER PERSONS (All passengers and persons injured on ground)

Name	Status	Degree of injury	Name	Status	Degree of injury

6. CONTRAVENTIONS OF REGULATIONS AND ORDERS

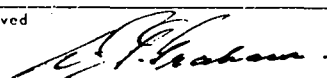
Regulation or Order No.	Nature of contravention

RELEVANT EVENTS

The student pilot satisfactorily completed two normal circuits and landings and one short field landing in calm, clear conditions. He made an approach for a second short field landing but as the aircraft neared the aerodrome boundary fence on short final, the stall warning sounded. The pilot states that he applied power, but the port wing dropped sharply and struck a fence post 107 feet to the left of the runway centre line and just short of the threshold. The aircraft pitched forward onto its nosewheel and propeller, tearing off the yoke and nosewheel and then the starboard undercarriage strut and mainwheel as it rolled in that direction. It slewed on the starboard mainplane in an anti-clockwise direction before it came to a stop on a reciprocal heading.

8. OPINION AS TO CAUSE

The probable cause of the accident was that the pilot did not maintain adequate airspeed.

Report approved  (D.S. GRAHAM)	Designation Assistant Director-General (Air Safety Investigation)	Date 4.2.1971
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