

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199003098**

Jodel D11

2 September 1990

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Occurrence Number: 199003098
Location: Caloundra QLD
Date: 2 September 1990
Highest Injury Level: Serious
Injuries:

Occurrence Type: Accident

Time: 1350

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	1	0	0
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	1	0	0
Total	0	2	0	0

Aircraft Details: Jodel D11
Registration: VH-FTY
Serial Number: N53
Operation Type: Private
Damage Level: Destroyed
Departure Point: Caloundra QLD
Departure Time: 1350
Destination: Caboolture QLD

Approved for Release: 25th October 1990

Circumstances:

The aircraft was observed to take off from Runway 15 and climb to about 500 feet before commencing a right turn. It then appeared to abruptly change attitude in pitch and roll a few times before adopting a nose low attitude and disappearing behind trees. The aircraft crashed into a shallow swamp and caught fire. On site examination revealed that the aircraft struck the ground in a steep nose and right wing low attitude. The pilot reported that the engine began running roughly and lost power shortly after takeoff. An examination found no fault with the engine or carburettor, however, fire damage precluded testing of the magnetos. The aircraft attitude at impact was indicative of it being in a stalled condition.

Significant Factors:

The following factors were considered relevant to the development of the accident

1. For reason(s) which could not be established, the engine apparently lost power.
2. The pilot lost control of the aircraft.