

1. LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE

Toowoomba Aerodrome	Height a.m.s.l. (ft) 2085 feet	Date 2.1.70	Time (Local) 1800	Zone EST
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2. THE AIRCRAFT

Make and Model DH82A Tiger Moth	Registration VH-BXF	Certificate of Airworthiness	Valid from 6.6.67	Valid to 5.6.76
Registered Owner Darling Downs Aero Club, Carroll Street, Toowoomba, Queensland.	Operator Darling Downs Aero Club, Carroll Street, Toowoomba, Queensland.	Degree of damage to aircraft Substantial		
Defects discovered		Other property damaged Gable marker		

3. THE FLIGHT

Last or intended departure point Toowoomba	Time of departure 1800	Next point of intended landing Toowoomba	Purpose of flight Conversion Training	Class of operation Private
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4. THE CREW

Name	Status	Age	Class of licence	Hours on type	Total hours	Degree of injury
K. D. LEO	Pilot	27	Private	3	170	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

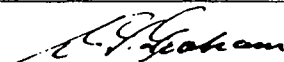
Regulation or Order No.	Nature of contravention

RELEVANT EVENTS

Weather conditions were fine with a 5 knot westerly wind. The pilot had completed his dual conversion training on the aircraft type and was authorised to make a solo flight. He successfully completed one solo circuit with a landing into the west, as planned, on to a grass flight strip on the southern side of the runway. When the aircraft had decelerated to about 10 knots, the pilot decided to immediately take-off again. He applied power but, after travelling about 250 to 300 feet on a take-off path which, undetected by the pilot, was diverging to the left from the heading of the strip, the aircraft struck a gable strip marker and then overturned.

8. OPINION AS TO CAUSE

The cause of the accident was that the pilot did not ensure that the aircraft was properly aligned with the direction of the flight strip.

Report approved 	(D.S. GRAHAM)	Designation Assistant Director-General (Air Safety Investigation)	Date 25.6.71
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