

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198401417**

Bellanca 8KCAB

4 November 1984

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Occurrence Number: 198401417
Location: Wallacia NSW
Date: 4 November 1984
Highest Injury Level: Nil
Injuries:

Occurrence Type: Accident

Time: 1130

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

Aircraft Details: Bellanca 8KCAB
Registration: VH-UOO
Serial Number:
Operation Type: Pleasure
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Wallacia NSW
Departure Time: 1115
Destination: Wallacia NSW

Approved for Release: 31st May 1985

Circumstances:

After a normal approach in calm wind conditions the aircraft bounced following the initial touchdown. A number of bounces then occurred before the pilot was able to regain control of the aircraft. At this time he assessed that there was insufficient strip remaining to stop the aircraft or to safely go-around. A ground loop was attempted, during which the right landing gear collapsed. The strip length was about 120 metres longer than that required for a normal landing. The aircraft was being operated in excess of the maximum permitted landing weight. After the initial bounce the pilot persisted with the landing attempt and evidently did not consider carrying out a go-around until the aircraft was too far along the strip for this manoeuvre to be performed with safety.