

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198703507**

Schleicher K7

26 September 1987

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Occurrence Number: 198703507 **Occurrence Type:** Accident

Location: McCaffrey Field, Bowenville QLD

Date: 26 September 1987 **Time:** 1600

Highest Injury Level: Nil

Injuries:

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

Aircraft Details: Schleicher K7

Registration: VH-GQX

Serial Number: 7241

Operation Type: Gliding (Instructional Dual)

Damage Level: Substantial

Departure Point: McCaffrey Field QLD

Departure Time: N/K

Destination: McCaffrey Field QLD

Approved for Release: December 3rd 1987

Circumstances:

The instructor stated that after a normal flight and circuit approximately half air brake was set for the approach. Additionally during the approach further air brake was set, for a short period, to steepen the approach. When the instructor then checked the indicated airspeed he observed that it had reduced to less than 45 knots. He stated that he did not close the air brake in time to prevent a heavy landing. This accident was not the subject of an on-site investigation.