

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198600693**

Bellanca Scout 8GCBC

23 March 1986

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Occurrence Number: 198600693

Location: Harts Range NT

Date: 23 March 1986

Highest Injury Level: Nil

Injuries:

Occurrence Type: Accident

Time: 849

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	1	1
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	2
Total	0	0	0	3

Aircraft Details: Bellanca Scout 8GCBC

Registration: VH-PEV

Serial Number:

Operation Type: Private-Business

Damage Level: Substantial

Departure Point: Bond Springs NT

Departure Time: 0849

Destination: Harts Range NT

Approved for Release: May 5th 1986

Circumstances:

During the landing roll both mainwheels entered soft areas in the strip surface. The aircraft swung through 120 degrees to the left then slid sideways for 17 metres before the right maingear collapsed. The wing struck the ground and was bent upwards. The condition of the strip surface was unsatisfactory because the first 500 metres contained soft spots. The positions of the soft spots were not marked, nor was the strip threshold displaced. The pilot had used the strip previously but on this occasion he did not check its serviceability before the flight.