

Aviation Safety Investigation Report 198503545

Beech C23 Musketeer

5 December 1985

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Occurrence Number: 198503545
Location: Cairns QLD
Date: 5 December 1985
Highest Injury Level: Nil
Injuries:

Occurrence Type: Accident

Time: 820

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

Aircraft Details: Beech C23 Musketeer
Registration: VH-IHP
Serial Number:
Operation Type: Aerial Work-Solo training
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Cairns QLD
Departure Time: 0820
Destination: Cairns QLD

Approved for Release: March 19th 1986

Circumstances:

The pilot was carrying out a period of solo circuit training, after having completed three check circuits with an instructor. On the second landing, the aircraft bounced, then touched down again heavily on the nosewheel. The nosegear leg failed due to overload and the aircraft ran off the runway. The pilot was attempting to carry out a short field landing and misjudged the flare. He stated that following the bounce, the nose of the aircraft dropped and he was unable to regain the landing attitude before the nosewheel struck the runway. This accident was not the subject of an on-site investigation.