Aviation Safety Investigation Report 198404510

De Havilland DH82A

28 October 1984

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Occurrence Number: 198404510 Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: Jandakot WA

Date: 28 October 1984 **Time:** 1420

Highest Injury Level: Nil

Injuries:

	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: De Havilland DH82A

Registration: VH-FAS

Serial Number:

Operation Type: Pleasure Flight Damage Level: Substantial Departure Point: Jandakot WA

Departure Time: 1350

Destination: Jandakot WA

Approved for Release: 15th March 1985

Circumstances:

After flying in the local area for a time, the pilot entered a long straight-in final approach for the easterly strip he had used for take-off. From a distance he observed that the wind was a light southerly. Following a slight bounce on touchdown, braking was initiated but the aircraft seemed to be travelling faster than normal. The pilot, believing that he had landed with a tail-wind, turned the aircraft to the north-east to increase the landing roll available. The aircraft overran the area into a fence and firebreak. The approach speed used was 12 knots faster than that recommended in the landing chart. The bounced landing, slippery grass surface and use of other than maximum braking increased the stopping distance required. The direction of turn chosen by the pilot to increase his stopping distance was downhill and with a tailwind component. The presence of telephone lines at the end of the strip precluded a go-around.