

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198903830**

Beech 95-C55 Baron

1 November 1989

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This accident was not formally investigated by the Bureau.

Occurrence Number: 198903830

Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: North Head (65 km SSW of Georgetown) QLD

Date: 1 November 1989

Time: 800

Highest Injury Level: Nil

Injuries:

	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 95-C55 Baron

Registration: VH-DYB

Serial Number: TE 306

Operation Type: Private

Damage Level: Substantial

Departure Point: Wilburra Downs (17 km SE of Richmond) QLD

Departure Time: N/K

Destination: North Head QLD

Approved for Release: 16th February 1990

Circumstances:

During the early part of the landing roll, the pilot felt a thump through the airframe. After the landing he inspected the landing gear but did not find any damage. The early morning sun had interfered with the pilot's clear vision of the strip. Several months later, when the aircraft was undergoing a routine periodic inspection, severe damage was found. The right maingear lower attach point was twisted. The lower wing skin and internal ribs were rippled, requiring replacement of the right wing. The Licenced Aircraft Maintenance Engineer said that the external damage was not obvious.