Aviation Safety Investigation Report 198803436

Glasflugel Libelle

21 February 1988

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Occurrence Number: 198803436 Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: 25 km SW of Toowoomba QLD

Date: 21 February 1988 **Time:** 1345 approx.

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: Glasflugel Libelle

Registration: VH-GCS

Serial Number: Not established

Operation Type: Private **Damage Level:** Substantial **Departure Point:** Warwick QLD

Departure Time: N/K

Destination: Warwick QLD

Approved for Release: February 22nd 1989

Circumstances:

The pilot was undertaking a cross country training flight and was forced to make an outlanding. On late final for a ploughed paddock it became apparent that the area was inundated with rocks up to 200 mm in diameter. During the landing roll extensive damage was caused to the undercarriage frame and doors and to the wheel and tyre. Witnesses indicated that more suitable landing areas were available to the pilot. This accident was not the subject of an on-site investigation.

Significant Factors:

It was considered that the following factor was relevant in the development of the accident

1. The pilot selected an unsuitable area for landing.