Aviation Safety Investigation Report 198803522

Airborne Windsports Buzzard Arrow

25 September 1988

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This accident was not the subject of an on-site investigation. The Bureau has not been able to contact the pilot. He is apparently a foreign national and involved in the circumnavigation of Australia.

Occurrence Nu	currence Number: 198803522		Occurrence Type: Accident			
Location:	60 km N L	60 km N Lockhart River QLD				
Date:	25 Septem	25 September 1988			Time: N/K	
Highest Injury	Level: Nil	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	
A : 64 D-4- 11	Airborne Windsports					
Aircraft Details:	Buzzard Arrow					
Registration:	N/A					
Serial Number:	N/A					

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Operation Type:	Sport Aviation
Damage Level:	Substantial
Departure Point:	N/K
Departure Time:	N/K
Destination:	N/K

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Circumstances:

It was reported that the pilot was confronted with bad weather and elected to land on a beach. The aircraft touched down in an area of soft sand and nosed over.

Significant Factors:

The following factors were considered relevant to the development of the accident

- 1. The pilot misjudged the approach.
- 2. The aircraft landed in soft sand.