

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198601408**

Piper PA32-300

18 February 1986

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Occurrence Number: 198601408
Location: Flinders Island TAS
Date: 18 February 1986
Highest Injury Level: Nil
Injuries:

Occurrence Type: Accident

Time: 1105

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	1	1
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	4
Total	0	0	0	5

Aircraft Details: Piper PA32-300
Registration: VH-RRZ
Serial Number:
Operation Type: Private (Travel)
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Essendon VIC
Departure Time: 1105
Destination: Flinders Island TAS

Approved for Release: April 7th 1986

Circumstances:

On arrival at the destination, the pilot noted that the wind was from the west-south-west, but joined the circuit for landing into the north-east. On final approach the aircraft was high and fast, and touched down with only 330 metres of the 1100 metre strip remaining. At this time the pilot realised he was landing downwind, and shortly afterwards applied full power in an attempt to go around. However, the aircraft collided with the aerodrome boundary fence and came to rest on its belly after crossing a road and striking another fence.