Aviation Safety Investigation Report 199000016

Cessna 172RG

7 August 1990

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Occurrence Number: 199000016 Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: Moruya Airport NSW

Date: 7 August 1990 **Time:** 1740

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: Cessna 172RG
Registration: VH-BOY
Serial Number: 172RG0761
Operation Type: Private
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Canberra ACT

Departure Time: 1706

Destination: Moruya NSW

Approved for Release: 10th September 1990

Circumstances:

After arrival at the destination aerodrome near the End-of-Daylight the pilot was making his second approach to land. The aircraft subsequently touched down with the undercarriage retracted and slid for 150 metres. The pilot initially reported that he had landed without selecting the landing gear down but later infered that it had collapsed when landing. A subsequent examination and engineering report revealed that the landing gear had been selected down after the aircraft had come to rest on the runway.

Significant Factors:

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

- 1. The pilot failed to select the landing gear down and confirm a down-and-locked indication prior to landing.
- 2. Pilot anxiety to be on the ground prior to End-of-Daylight. This accident was not the subject of an on-scene investigation.