

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199001967**

Piper PA31-T

19 February 1990

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This accident was not formally investigated by the Bureau.

Occurrence Number: 199001967 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: Bathurst NSW
Date: 19 February 1990 **Time:** 1425
Highest Injury Level: Nil
Injuries:

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	2	2
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	2

Aircraft Details: Piper PA31-T
Registration: VH-TNP
Serial Number: 31T-7920026
Operation Type: Aerial Work
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Bathurst NSW
Departure Time: 1420
Destination: Bathurst NSW

Approved for Release: 12 March 1990

Circumstances:

The aircraft was being flown for the purpose of endorsing the pilot-under-training. The upper airwork had been completed and a flapless approach and touch and go landing was to be the final circuit sequence. On the downwind leg the instructor pilot called out the pre-landing checklist, which was apparently complied with by the pilot-under-training. At about this time the pilot-under-training was also involved with obtaining an onwards airways clearance through Flight Service. The aircraft was flared normally, but settled onto the runway with the landing gear retracted. The landing gear selector was found to have been in the up position. The pilot-in-command said the landing gear warning horn was not heard prior to touchdown.