Aviation Safety Investigation Report 198502529

Glasair SH2

5 April 1985

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Occurrence Number: 198502529 Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: Casino NSW

Date: 5 April 1985 **Time:** 613

Highest Injury Level: Nil

Injuries:

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	1	1
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	1
Total	0	0	0	2

Aircraft Details: Glasair SH2 **Registration:** VH-MVC

Serial Number:

Operation Type: Travel **Damage Level:** Substantial

Departure Point: Coolangatta QLD

Departure Time: 0613

Destination: Dubbo NSW

Approved for Release: 14th June, 1985

Circumstances:

The pilot decided to make an unscheduled landing at an aerodrome enroute to check a problem with the aircraft. On touchdown he noticed steel pickets on either side of the runway and reapplied power. During the go-around the left wing tip struck a picket, the aircraft yawed and then collided with other pickets, before the aircraft was brought to a stop. The aerodrome had been closed for reconstruction work. White crosses were placed on the runway and adjacent to the windsock. The pilot had not advised Flight Service of his intended landing. The aircraft nose attitude on approach reduces forward visibility and the pilot did not see the white crosses on the runway. The aircraft yawed as power was applied for the overshoot.