Aviation Safety Investigation Report 198600691

Cessna 150L

5 March 1986

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Occurrence Number: 198600691 Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: Alice Springs NT

Date: 5 March 1986 **Time:** 1703

Highest Injury Level: Minor

Injuries:

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

Aircraft Details: Cessna 150L **Registration:** VH-KOF

Serial Number:

Operation Type: Private-Circuit practice

Damage Level: Destroyed

Departure Point: Alice Springs NT

Departure Time: 1703

Destination: Alice Springs NT

Approved for Release: April 29th 1986

Circumstances:

At the completion of a local pleasure flight the pilot decided to carry out three practice circuits. The first two landings were without incident but on the third landing the aircraft touched down on the right mainwheel and bounced. The pilot applied power in an attempt to stabilise the aircraft but the angle of bank to the right increased and the right wing struck the ground. The aircraft cartwheeled onto the left wing and came to rest inverted, 190 metres to the right of the runway centreline. The landing was attempted in gusty crosswind conditions. The aircraft manufacturer's owners manual recommends that a minimum flap setting be used in these conditions, however, on this occasion the pilot selected full flap. The pilot stated that when the aircraft bounced he attempted to raise the right wing by the application of left aileron but seeing the skid ball was well out to the right, he then applied right rudder. The aircraft then rolled rapidly to the right and the wing struck the ground.