

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199003079**

Beech 58

22 June 1990

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This accident was not formally investigated by the Bureau.

Occurrence Number: 199003079
 Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: Apis Creek (83km N Rockhampton) QLD
 Date: 22 June 1990
 Time: 1235

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: Beech 58

Registration: VH-BMT

Serial Number: TH-623

Operation Type: Charter

Damage Level: Substantial

Departure Point: Rockhampton QLD

Departure Time: N/K

Destination: Apis Ck QLD

Approved for Release: 1st August 1990

Circumstances:

The pilot inspected the strip from the air and elected to land towards the west because of high ground and obstacles on the opposite approach. The aircraft bounced on landing and then floated for some distance before braking could be applied. The pilot remained confident adequate strip remained to stop the aircraft. There was, however, a slight hump in the strip and as the aircraft reached it the pilot saw a fence about 100 metres ahead. He applied heavy braking which had little effect on the loose surface. To avoid the fence, the pilot attempted to groundloop the aircraft. The left main landing gear leg entered a small ditch and was torn from the aircraft. On exiting the aircraft, the pilot noted that he had landed with a tailwind of about 5 knots.