

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report  
198802412**

**Piper PA 28-140**

**4 December 1988**

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The circumstances of this accident were not formally investigated by the Bureau.

**Occurrence Number:** 198802412

**Occurrence Type:** Accident

**Location:** Albury NSW

**Date:** 4 December 1988

**Time:** 1850

**Highest Injury Level:** Nil

**Injuries:**

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	1	1
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

**Aircraft Details:** Piper PA 28-140

**Registration:** VH-RVK

**Serial Number:** N/K

**Operation Type:** Private

**Damage Level:** Substantial

**Departure Point:** Albury NSW

**Departure Time:** N/A

**Destination:** Coldstream VIC

**Approved for Release:** 8 February 1989

#### **Circumstances:**

The pilot reported that after he had hand started the engine, the aircraft rolled forward and the nosegear struck a concrete culvert.

#### **Significant Factors:**

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

1. Aircraft battery discharged for undetermined reasons.
2. Pilot did not employ adequate measures to prevent the aircraft moving forward following engine starting.