

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198903847**

Maxair Drifter

30 September 1989

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Occurrence Number: 198903847 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: Cythera (75 km S Mitchell) QLD
Date: 30 September 1989 **Time:** 930
Highest Injury Level: Minor
Injuries:

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

Aircraft Details: Maxair Drifter
Registration: AUF 25-0206
Serial Number: 206
Operation Type: Private/Sport Aviation
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Cythera QLD
Departure Time: 0930
Destination: Cythera QLD

Approved for Release: 7th November 1989

Circumstances:

The piloo reported that the engine failed shortly after takeoff and that he was forced to land the aircraft on unsuitable terrain. The reason for the engine failure was not determined. This accident was not the subject of a formal on scene investigation.

Significant Factors:

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

1. For reason(s) which were not determined, the aircraft suffered a complete engine failure.
2. The aircraft was force landed in unsuitable terrain.