

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report  
199800752**

**Cessna Aircraft Company  
Skyhawk**

**20 February 1998**

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**Occurrence Number:** 199800752                      **Occurrence Type:** Accident  
**Location:** Bruny Island, (ALA)  
**State:** TAS                      **Inv Category:** 4  
**Date:** Friday 20 February 1998  
**Time:** 1840 hours                      **Time Zone**                      ESuT  
**Highest Injury Level:** None

**Aircraft Manufacturer:** Cessna Aircraft Company  
**Aircraft Model:** 172P  
**Aircraft Registration:** VH-SIZ                      **Serial Number:** 17274689  
**Type of Operation:** Non-commercial Pleasure/Travel  
**Damage to Aircraft:** Substantial  
**Departure Point:** Cambridge Tas.  
**Departure Time:** 1740 ESuT  
**Destination:** Bruny Island Tas.

**Crew Details:**

<b>Role</b>	<b>Class of Licence</b>	<b>Hours on Type</b>	<b>Hours Total</b>
Pilot-In-Command	Private	69.5	73

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While landing towards the north-west at Bruny Island, the aircraft landed heavily and bounced, tearing the nose landing gear from the aircraft and bending the propeller. The pilot and three passengers evacuated the aircraft without injury. The pilot reported that he suspected wind shear may have been a factor.

