Aviation Safety Investigation Report 199701028

Cessna Aircraft Company 150G

31 March 1997

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The Bureau did not conduct an on scene investigation of this occurrence. The information presented below was obtained from information supplied to the Bureau.

Occurrence Number:	199701028	Occurrence	Occurrence Type: Accident			
Location:	4km N Bannockburn					
State:	VIC	Inv Categor	ry: 4			
Date:	Monday 31 March 199	97				
Time:	1700 hours	Time Zone	EST	Γ		
<b>Highest Injury Level:</b>	Minor					
Injuries:						
	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None	Total	
	Crew 0		0	1	10111	
	Ground 0		0	0	0	
	Passenger 0	°,	1	0	1	
	Total 0	-	1	1	2	
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Aircraft Manufacturer: Cessna Aircraft Company						
Aircraft Model:	150G					
Aircraft Registration:	VH-BNB Serial Number: 15061568					
Type of Operation:	Non-commercial Pleasure/Travel					
Damage to Aircraft:	Substantial					
Departure Point:	Bellbrae Vic					
Departure Time:	1650 EST					
Destination:	Russells Bridge Vic					
<b>Crew Details:</b>						
			Hours on			
	Role	Class of Lice	Class of Licence Type Hours Total			
	Pilot-In-Command	Private	200	0.0	6200	

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The pilot had conducted a brief pleasure flight. He intended to land to the west on a 330 m grass airstip on his own property. The strip ran east west with a 12.5 degree upslope to the west. He estimated the wind components to be 5 kt headwind and 15 kt crosswind. However, on short final, the aircraft encountered moderate turbulence and windshear. The pilot elected to overshoot, but because of the steep upslope, this required a turn north or south. He advised that from past experience in PNG, having landed on many bush strips, he would normally have turned into wind during an overshoot into a one way uphill airstrip. However, on this occasion he inadvertently turned downwind and encountered more windshear and loss of airspeed.

With the aircraft facing downwind and very low in airspeed, he elected to land straight ahead in the paddock. During the latter part of the landing roll the aircraft nosewheel collided with a rock and the aircraft overturned.

The pilot subsequently advised that the aircraft had recently undergone a complete overhaul and that had not contributed to the accident.