

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199702338**

**Cessna Aircraft Company
Cardinal**

19 July 1997

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Occurrence Number: 199702338 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: Adels Grove, (ALA)
State: QLD **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Saturday 19 July 1997
Time: 1050 hours **Time Zone** EST
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Cessna Aircraft Company
Aircraft Model: 177A
Aircraft Registration: VH-EID **Serial Number:** 17701172
Type of Operation: Non-commercial Pleasure/Travel
Damage to Aircraft: Substantial
Departure Point: Karumba QLD
Departure Time: 0930 EST
Destination: Adels Grove QLD

Crew Details:

Role	Class of Licence	Hours on Type	Hours Total
Pilot-In-Command	Private	101.0	377

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Sequence of Events

The pilot reported that the aircraft floated about half the length of the 1130 m strip before he decided to take the aircraft around for another circuit. When he retracted the third stage of flap, the left wing dropped and the aircraft veered off runway heading. The pilot then lowered the nose of the aircraft in an attempt to increase air speed, but when he saw that a collision with trees was imminent, he closed the throttle. The aircraft ran through a boundary fence and came to rest among saplings about 100 m further. None of the three occupants were injured.

The emergency locator transmitted, installed in the rear fuselage, did not activate.