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Cessna Aircraft Company Dragonfly

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Occurrence Number: 199600014 Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: Bankstown, Aerodrome

State: NSW Inv Category: 4

Date: Tuesday 02 January 1996

Time: 1356 hours **Time Zone** ESuT

Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Cessna Aircraft Company

Aircraft Model: A-37B

Aircraft Registration: VH-DLO Serial Number: 68-10805

Type of Operation: Non-commercial Pleasure/Travel

Damage to Aircraft: Substantial

Departure Point: Bankstown NSW

Departure Time: 1430 ESuT

Destination: Bankstown NSW

Crew Details:

	Hours on		
Role	Class of Licence	Type Hours	s Total
Pilot-In-Command	Private	87.0	944

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The Cessna "Dragonfly" returned for a landing after a brief practice session in the training area. However, during that period the weather in the control zone had deteriorated, with visibility reduced in heavy rain associated with a passing thunderstorm. The aircraft was subsequently cleared to land on runway 29C. Although the touchdown was normal the aircraft failed to stop and overran the runway end, before colliding with the perimeter fence.

The pilot reported there had been a large quantity of standing water on the runway at the time of the occurrence. The loss of braking efficiency was consistent with aquaplaning. In addition, the pilot believed there had been a slight downwind component on the landing runway.