

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199601643**

**Piper Aircraft Corp
Comanche**

27 May 1996

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Occurrence Number: 199601643 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: Maryborough, Aerodrome
State: QLD **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Monday 27 May 1996
Time: 1013 hours **Time Zone** EST
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Piper Aircraft Corp
Aircraft Model: PA-24-250
Aircraft Registration: VH-SME **Serial Number:** 24-3552
Type of Operation: Instructional Dual
Damage to Aircraft: Substantial
Departure Point: Maryborough QLD
Departure Time: 0940 EST
Destination: Maryborough QLD

Crew Details:

Role	Class of Licence	Hours on Type Hours Total
Pilot-In-Command	Commercial	1079

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The pilot was demonstrating a short field landing to his instructor during a Biennial Flight Review. On late final approach, the instructor twice shouted at the pilot that the gear was not down and when the pilot reached for the throttle the instructor thought that they were about to go around. Instead, the pilot closed the throttle resulting in a wheels up landing.