

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199603715**

**Cessna Aircraft Company
C150**

08 November 1996

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Occurrence Number: 199603715 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: Barwon Heads/Geelong, (ALA)
State: VIC **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Friday 08 November 1996
Time: 1050 hours **Time Zone** ESuT
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Cessna Aircraft Company
Aircraft Model: 150M
Aircraft Registration: VH-UWS **Serial Number:** 15079289
Type of Operation: Instructional Solo
Damage to Aircraft: Substantial
Departure Point: Barwon Heads Vic
Departure Time: 1040 ESuT
Destination: Barwon Heads Vic

Crew Details:

Role	Class of Licence	Hours on Type	Hours Total
Pilot-In-Command	Student	2.0	35

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The sixty year old student pilot was authorised for additional solo practice. His intention was to fly a circuit and then fly around the training area for a while. On the first landing, he encountered a 5 knot crosswind from the left with a small wind gust at about the time of level off/touchdown. The aircraft touched down, bounced back into the air twice and then landed nose down heavily enough to break the nosewheel assembly.

In hindsight the pilot advised that he should have performed a go-around after the first bounce but at the time everything seemed to happen very quickly.