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Transavia Corp Pty Ltd Airtruk

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Occurrence Number: 199500984 Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: Parawa, 28km W Victor Harbour

State: SA Inv Category: 4

Date: Saturday 01 April 1995

Time: 1300 hours **Time Zone** CST

Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Transavia Corp Pty Ltd

Aircraft Model: PL-12/T300

Aircraft Registration: VH-AUL Serial Number: H0106

Type of Operation: Commercial Aerial Agriculture/Baiting

Damage to Aircraft:SubstantialDeparture Point:Parawa SADeparture Time:1230 CSTDestination:Parawa SA

Crew Details:

	Hours on		
Role	Class of Licence	Type Ho	ours Total
Pilot-In-Command	Commercial	1500.0	16000

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At the end of the landing roll the pilot noticed that the aircraft was leaning to the left, and thought that the tyre had deflated. The lean increased and the aircraft then rolled forward onto its nose with the propeller striking the ground.

It was found that the nose gear leg had broken from its support assembly and collapsed.

Airworthiness Directive AD/PL-12/1 amdt 2 requires a visual inspection of the support assembly every 100 hours time in service. The aircraft had flown about 60 hours since the last inspection.