

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199503319**

**Slingsby Aircraft Ltd
Kestrel**

09 October 1995

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Occurrence Number: 199503319 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: Benalla
State: VIC **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Monday 09 October 1995
Time: 1300 hours **Time Zone** EST
Highest Injury Level: Serious
Injuries:

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None	Total
Crew	0	1	0	0	1
Ground	0	0	0	0	0
Passenger	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	1	0	0	1

Aircraft Manufacturer: Slingsby Aircraft Ltd
Aircraft Model: T.59D Kestrel
Aircraft Registration: VH-GGR **Serial Number:**
Type of Operation: Non-commercial Practice
Damage to Aircraft: Substantial
Departure Point: Benalla Vic
Departure Time: 1305 EST
Destination: Benalla Vic

Approved for Release: Friday, November 17, 1995

The glider was on an aero tow take off. On the ground roll the right wing contacted the ground and the glider veered to the right of the tug. Corrective control inputs were applied and the glider moved to the left side of the tug. The glider pilot pulled the release. The glider went through a cart wheel manouver and the nose struck the ground heavily.

Significant Factors

The following factors were considered relevant to the development of the accident:

- 1 Probable inappropriate control inputs by the glider pilot.