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**Cessna Aircraft Company Centurion** 

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Occurrence Number: 199503483 Occurrence Type: Incident

**Location:** Lake Cargelligo, Aerodrome

State: NSW Inv Category: 4

**Date:** Saturday 21 October 1995

**Time:** 1115 hours **Time Zone** EST

Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Cessna Aircraft Company

Aircraft Model: 210L

Aircraft Registration: VH-TCI Serial Number: 21060548

**Type of Operation:** Instructional Solo

**Damage to Aircraft:** Minor

**Departure Point:** Lake Cargelligo. NSW

**Departure Time:** 1045 EST

**Destination:** Lake Cargelligo. NSW

**Crew Details:** 

	Hours on		
Role	Class of Licence	<b>Type Hours Total</b>	
Pilot-In-Command	Student	71.0	2700

**Approved for Release:** Thursday, November 16, 1995

The student pilot, operating under the remote supervision of an instructor had been conducting circuits in his own aircraft. Whilst conducting a glide approach, the pilot noticed that the aircraft was at a lower altitude than desirable and decided to delay extending the landing gear until late on the approach. The aircraft subsequently landed with the landing gear retracted.

According to the pilot and his instructor the 'gear unsafe' warning horn was not working at the time of the accident, nor had it worked during the endorsement. An engineer had told them that it was a permissible unserviceability. This information was subsequently found to have been incorrect.