

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199401111**

**Piper Aircraft Corp
Lance**

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Occurrence Number: 199401111 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: Phillip Island
State: VIC **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Sunday 01 May 1994
Time: 1630 hours **Time Zone** EST
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Piper Aircraft Corp
Aircraft Model: PA-32R-300
Aircraft Registration: VH-LJC **Serial Number:** 32R-7780059
Type of Operation: Non-commercial Pleasure/Travel
Damage to Aircraft: Substantial
Departure Point: Morrabbin VIC
Departure Time:
Destination: Phillip Island VIC

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The pilot reported that when taxiing out of the parking area at Phillip Island for departure, the nosewheel entered a hole. The hole was about 200mm in diameter and about 400mm deep. The pilot was not aware of the hole and did not see it. The nosegear collapsed and the propeller hit the ground.

