

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199401143**

**Piper Aircraft Corp
Warrior**

03 May 1994

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The Bureau did not conduct an on scene investigation of this occurrence. The information presented below was obtained from information supplied to the Bureau.

Occurrence Number: 199401143

Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: 2km S Healesville

State: VIC

Inv Category: 4

Date: Tuesday 03 May 1994

Time: 1600 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: Piper Aircraft Corp

Aircraft Model: PA-28-161

Aircraft Registration: VH-BZD **Serial Number:** 28-7916036

Type of Operation: Instructional Solo

Damage to Aircraft: Substantial

Departure Point: Lilydale VIC

Departure Time:

Destination: Lilydale VIC

Crew Details:

Role	Class of Licence	Hours on		
		Type	Hours	Total
Pilot-In-Command	Student		24.0	24

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Initial advice of this occurrence indicated that the accident had involved the aircraft striking a powerline during a practice forced landing. The pilot received a serious injury and spent some time in hospital recovering.

Subsequently, the Civil Aviation Authority advised that they had received information that the accident had resulted from a breach of the Civil Aviation Regulations, and they were pursuing the matter along those lines. Consequently, the Bureau did not continue its investigation of the occurrence.