

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199300306**

**PZL Bielsko
Jantar**

26 February 1993

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Occurrence Number: 199300306 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: 10km N Berrigan
State: NSW **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Friday 26 February 1993
Time: 1630 hours **Time Zone** ESuT
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: PZL Bielsko
Aircraft Model: SZD-41-A Jantar Standard
Aircraft Registration: VH-KYX **Serial Number:**
Type of Operation: Non-commercial Practice
Damage to Aircraft: Substantial
Departure Point: Tocumwal NSW
Departure Time:
Destination: Tocumwal NSW

Crew Details:

Role	Class of Licence	Hours on	
		Type	Hours Total
Pilot-In-Command	None	16.0	50

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The pilot was attempting a 50 kilometre flight. En route the glider was getting low and the pilot realised he had to do an outlanding. On late final approach an area of smoke was flown through. As this cleared the pilot suddenly saw four trees in front of him. He tried to roll the wings to go between two of them. A wing struck branches and the glider then descended and struck the ground.