

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198701455**

Cessna 172P

11 December 1987

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Occurrence Number: 198701455
Location: Cambridge TAS
Date: 11 December 1987
Highest Injury Level: Nil
Injuries:

Occurrence Type: Accident

Time: 1500

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

Aircraft Details: Cessna 172P
Registration: VH-RWV
Serial Number: 172-75710
Operation Type: Aerial Work (Instructional Solo)
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Cambridge TAS
Departure Time: 1505
Destination: Cambridge TAS

Approved for Release: February 24th 1988

Circumstances:

The pilot was carrying out a period of solo circuits as part of a check on the aircraft type. Following the third circuit, the aircraft was observed to approach and land normally into the 10 to 15 knot headwind. During the subsequent landing roll, while still travelling at about 30 knots, the aircraft veered suddenly to the left. The pilot applied full right brake and rudder and then both brakes in an attempt to stop the aircraft. However, before the aircraft stopped it struck one of the boundary fence posts. An inspection of the aircraft did not reveal any mechanical defects that could have contributed to the occurrence, and the pilot was unable to explain the reason for the loss of directional control. This accident was not the subject of an on-site investigation.