

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199301908**

**Fokker B.V.
F50 (Fokker 50)**

27 June 1993

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Occurrence Number: 199301908 **Occurrence Type:** Incident
Location: Ballina
State: NSW **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Sunday 27 June 1993
Time: 1602 hours **Time Zone** EST
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Fokker B.V.
Manufacturer:
Aircraft Model: F27 MK 50
Aircraft Registration: VH-FNA **Serial Number:** 20106
Type of Operation: Air Transport Domestic High Capacity Passenger
Scheduled
Damage to Aircraft: Nil
Departure Point: Ballina NSW
Departure Time: 1602 EST
Destination: Sydney NSW

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The pilot of the Fokker F-50 VH-FNA reported that when he was lined up on Runway 24 at Ballina and about to commence takeoff, a Piper Arrow suddenly appeared overhead the airfield, crossing the intended takeoff path. Its undercarriage was extending and the aircraft appeared to be joining the circuit for landing. A taxiing call had been made by the pilot of VH-FNA, and contact had been made with another transiting aircraft on the Mandatory Traffic Advisory Frequency. No calls were heard from the arriving aircraft by the crew of VH-FNA or by the transiting aircraft.

The unannounced aircraft was observed turning base for Runway 24 when VH-FNA departed.
