



## National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Factual Report

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<b>Location:</b>	WALSENBURG, CO	<b>Accident Number:</b>	FTW96LA138
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	03/02/1996, 1030 MST	<b>Registration:</b>	N6344B
<b>Aircraft:</b>	CESSNA 182A	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>	Substantial
<b>Defining Event:</b>		<b>Injuries:</b>	2 None

**Flight Conducted Under:** Part 91: General Aviation - Personal

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On March 2, 1996, at 1030 mountain standard time, a Cessna 182A, N6344B, nosed over during landing roll at Walsenburg, Colorado. The private pilot and passenger were not injured and the aircraft sustained substantial damage. Visual meteorological conditions prevailed for this personal flight conducted under Title 14 CFR Part 91 and a VFR flight plan was filed. The flight departed Edgewood, New Mexico, at 0830.

According to the pilot, a normal landing was made from a left base at the destination airport. On touch down, the aircraft veered left and control inputs provided no relief to the left swerve. As the aircraft departed the side of the runway, the pilot said he elected to go around and power was added. The aircraft rolled across a grass area, struck a barb wire fence and then entered an area covered with sage brush. The nose landing gear collapsed and the aircraft nosed over.

Examination of the aircraft by the pilot and an FAA inspector provided information that the left main tire was flat and the valve stem was missing. There was no observed damage to the left tire or rim.

Witness marks on the runway consisted of black scuff marks which departed the side of the runway into the grass area. The marks were consistent with the traced path of the aircraft.

Wind at the closest reporting station, 37 miles south of the accident site was from 320 degrees at 18 knots with gusts to 24 knots. Pilot reported wind at the accident site was 260 to 300 degrees estimated at 10 knots with minimal gusts.

## Pilot Information

<b>Certificate:</b>	Private	<b>Age:</b>	61, Male
<b>Airplane Rating(s):</b>	Single-engine Land	<b>Seat Occupied:</b>	Left
<b>Other Aircraft Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Restraint Used:</b>	Seatbelt
<b>Instrument Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Second Pilot Present:</b>	Yes
<b>Instructor Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Toxicology Performed:</b>	No
<b>Medical Certification:</b>	Class 3 Valid Medical--w/ waivers/lim.	<b>Last FAA Medical Exam:</b>	12/14/1994
<b>Occupational Pilot:</b>		<b>Last Flight Review or Equivalent:</b>	
<b>Flight Time:</b>	560 hours (Total, all aircraft), 425 hours (Total, this make and model), 503 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 4 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 3 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 2 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

## Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

<b>Aircraft Make:</b>	CESSNA	<b>Registration:</b>	N6344B
<b>Model/Series:</b>	182A 182A	<b>Aircraft Category:</b>	Airplane
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>		<b>Amateur Built:</b>	No
<b>Airworthiness Certificate:</b>	Normal	<b>Serial Number:</b>	34244
<b>Landing Gear Type:</b>	Tricycle	<b>Seats:</b>	4
<b>Date/Type of Last Inspection:</b>	09/13/1995, Annual	<b>Certified Max Gross Wt.:</b>	2650 lbs
<b>Time Since Last Inspection:</b>	16 Hours	<b>Engines:</b>	1 Reciprocating
<b>Airframe Total Time:</b>	4635 Hours	<b>Engine Manufacturer:</b>	CONTINENTAL
<b>ELT:</b>	Installed, activated, did not aid in locating accident	<b>Engine Model/Series:</b>	O-470-L
<b>Registered Owner:</b>	THAD J. & SUE ELLEN ENGLERT	<b>Rated Power:</b>	230 hp
<b>Operator:</b>	THAD J. ENGLERT	<b>Operating Certificate(s) Held:</b>	None

## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	TAD, 5761 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	37 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	1135 MST	Direction from Accident Site:	170°
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear / 0 ft agl	Visibility	10 Miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None / 0 ft agl	Visibility (RVR):	0 ft
Wind Speed/Gusts:	18 knots / 24 knots	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	320°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	29 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	9°C / -14°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	EDGEWOOD, NM (NM51)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	VFR
Destination:	(4V1)	Type of Clearance:	VFR
Departure Time:	0830 MST	Type of Airspace:	Class G

## Airport Information

Airport:	JOHNSON AIRPARK (4V1)	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	6050 ft	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	26	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	4900 ft / 45 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Full Stop; Traffic Pattern

## Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	2 None	Latitude, Longitude:	

## Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	NORMAN F WIEMEYER
Additional Participating Persons:	GLEN WHITEFIELD; DENVER, CO
Investigation Docket:	NTSB accident and incident dockets serve as permanent archival information for the NTSB's investigations. Dockets released prior to June 1, 2009 are publicly available from the NTSB's Record Management Division at <a href="mailto:pubinq@ntsb.gov">pubinq@ntsb.gov</a> , or at 800-877-6799. Dockets released after this date are available at <a href="http://dms.nts.gov/pubdms/">http://dms.nts.gov/pubdms/</a> .