



# National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Data Summary

<b>Location:</b>	JASPER, TX	<b>Accident Number:</b>	FTW96LA142
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	03/02/1996, 1715 CST	<b>Registration:</b>	N8642S
<b>Aircraft:</b>	Cessna 150F	<b>Injuries:</b>	1 Serious, 2 None
<b>Flight Conducted Under:</b>	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

## Analysis

According to the pilot, she had just landed after a local flight with a passenger. While taxiing toward the terminal, a person, who was standing on the ramp, adjacent to the taxiway, approached the airplane from the left (pilot's) side. The pilot then stopped the airplane, idled the engine, and had a brief conversation with the person. During the conversation, the pilot agreed to embark the person after her current passenger exited the airplane, and take the person for a short flight. While conversing, the person was located aft of the left wing strut, and the pilot's door was open. Several spectators, who were observing the activity from the ramp area, reported that after the conversation with the pilot, the person turned to wave at them, and then walked into the propeller.

## Probable Cause

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: Failure of the pilot to ensure that the other person (outside the airplane) remained clear of the operating propeller, and failure of the other person to maintain awareness of the hazardous condition. A factor relating to the accident was: the other person diverted his attention to spectators, who were standing nearby.

## Findings

Occurrence #1: PROPELLER/ROTOR CONTACT TO PERSON  
Phase of Operation: STANDING - ENGINE(S) OPERATING

### Findings

1. (C) SUPERVISION - INADEQUATE - PILOT IN COMMAND
2. (C) UNSAFE/HAZARDOUS CONDITION - DISREGARDED - OTHER PERSON
3. (F) DIVERTED ATTENTION - OTHER PERSON

## Pilot Information

<b>Certificate:</b>	Private	<b>Age:</b>	18
<b>Airplane Rating(s):</b>	Single-engine Land	<b>Instrument Rating(s):</b>	None
<b>Other Aircraft Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Instructor Rating(s):</b>	None
<b>Flight Time:</b>	120 hours (Total, all aircraft), 40 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft)		

## Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

<b>Aircraft Make:</b>	Cessna	<b>Registration:</b>	N8642S
<b>Model/Series:</b>	150F 150F	<b>Engines:</b>	1 Reciprocating
<b>Operator:</b>	KEVIN L. COTTLE	<b>Engine Manufacturer:</b>	Continental
<b>Operating Certificate(s) Held:</b>	None	<b>Engine Model/Series:</b>	O-200-A
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## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

<b>Conditions at Accident Site:</b>	Visual Conditions	<b>Condition of Light:</b>	Day
<b>Observation Facility, Elevation:</b>	, 0 ft msl	<b>Weather Information Source:</b>	Pilot
<b>Lowest Ceiling:</b>	None / 0 ft agl	<b>Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:</b>	/ ,
<b>Temperature:</b>	31 °C	<b>Visibility</b>	15 Miles
<b>Precipitation and Obscuration:</b>			
<b>Departure Point:</b>	(JAS)	<b>Destination:</b>	(JAS)

## Airport Information

<b>Airport:</b>	BELL FIELD (JAS)	<b>Runway Surface Type:</b>	
<b>Runway Used:</b>	0	<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	
<b>Runway Length/Width:</b>			

## Wreckage and Impact Information

<b>Crew Injuries:</b>	1 None	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>	Minor
<b>Passenger Injuries:</b>	1 None	<b>Aircraft Fire:</b>	None
<b>Ground Injuries:</b>	1 Serious	<b>Aircraft Explosion:</b>	None

Latitude, Longitude:

## Administrative Information

<b>Investigator In Charge (IIC):</b>	ALEXANDER LEMISHKO	<b>Adopted Date:</b>	05/17/1996
<b>Investigation Docket:</b>	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> .		

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