



National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Data Summary

Location:	BEMIDGI, MN	Accident Number:	CHI97LA258
Date & Time:	08/01/1997, 1000 CDT	Registration:	N40354
Aircraft:	Maule M-4-220C	Injuries:	3 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

Analysis

The pilot reported that the approach and landing were normal. After a ground roll of 100 to 175 feet, the airplane veered to the right. It continued half way off the right side of the runway before coming to a stop. According to the pilot, a skid mark was visible on the runway. Postaccident inspection of the airplane after notification of the accident (14 days later) failed to reveal any failure/malfunction.

Probable Cause

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be: the pilot's failure or inability to maintain directional control of the airplane, as a result of an undetermined anomaly concerning of the right main landing gear brake.

Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF CONTROL - ON GROUND/WATER
Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

1. (C) LANDING GEAR,NORMAL BRAKE SYSTEM - UNDETERMINED
2. (C) DIRECTIONAL CONTROL - NOT POSSIBLE - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: ON GROUND/WATER ENCOUNTER WITH TERRAIN/WATER
Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Private	Age:	49
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine Land	Instrument Rating(s):	None
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Instructor Rating(s):	None
Flight Time:	479 hours (Total, all aircraft), 434 hours (Total, this make and model)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Maule	Registration:	N40354
Model/Series:	M-4-220C M-4-220C	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Operator:	GORDON R. BEHLING	Engine Manufacturer:	Franklin
Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None	Engine Model/Series:	6H-350-C1
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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	, 0 ft msl	Weather Information Source:	Pilot
Lowest Ceiling:	None / 0 ft agl	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	10 knots / 15 knots, 260°
Temperature:	18° C	Visibility	10 Miles
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	NEW RICHMOND, WI (RNH)	Destination:	(BJI)

Airport Information

Airport:	BELTRAMI COUNTY (BJI)	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Runway Used:	25	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Length/Width:	5699 ft / 150 ft		

Wreckage and Impact Information

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

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	PAMELA S SULLIVAN	Adopted Date:	01/30/1998
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 pubinq@ntsb.gov , or at 800-877-6799. Dockets released after this date are available at http://dms.nts.gov/pubdms/ .		

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