



## National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Factual Report

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| <b>Location:</b>        | FALLON, NV           | <b>Accident Number:</b> | LAX94LA002      |
| <b>Date &amp; Time:</b> | 10/01/1993, 1830 PDT | <b>Registration:</b>    | N4266V          |
| <b>Aircraft:</b>        | CESSNA 170           | <b>Aircraft Damage:</b> | Substantial     |
| <b>Defining Event:</b>  |                      | <b>Injuries:</b>        | 1 Minor, 1 None |

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

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On October 1, 1993, at 1830 Pacific daylight time, a Cessna 170, N4266V, operated by the pilot, collided with the airport's perimeter fence on short final approach to runway 31 at the Fallon Municipal Airport, Fallon, Nevada. Visual meteorological conditions prevailed at the time of the personal flight. The airplane was substantially damaged and the commercial pilot was not injured. The passenger received minor injuries. The flight originated from Fallon at 1750.

The pilot reported that he had just purchased the airplane, and the purpose of the flight was for his familiarization. The pilot reported that he took off and flew to a local practice area with the seller of the airplane on board. The seller demonstrated airwork, and then demonstrated a takeoff and a landing. The pilot further reported he then made an approach to runway 31, "waved off," and attempted another landing.

Regarding the attempted landing, the pilot made the following statement in his completed "Aircraft Accident Report," NTSB Form 6120.1: "When I realized I was landing short...I added full power to make a go-around. The main landing gear caught the perimeter fence and the aircraft came to rest on its right side."

The pilot indicated that he had not flown any airplane during the 90 days which preceded the accident. Also, his total piloting experience in the accident airplane's make and model was zero hours.

## Pilot Information

|                                  |  |  |            |
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| <b>Certificate:</b>              | Commercial   | <b>Age:</b>                              | 54, 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>     | Airplane   | <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/<br>waivers/lim.                                    | <b>Last FAA Medical Exam:</b>            | 04/24/1992 |
| <b>Occupational Pilot:</b>       |  | <b>Last Flight Review or Equivalent:</b> |            |
| <b>Flight Time:</b>              | 1000 hours (Total, all aircraft), 900 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft) |  |            |

## Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

|                                      |                    |   |                 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---|-----------------|
| <b>Aircraft Make:</b>                | CESSNA             | <b>Registration:</b>                      | N4266V          |
| <b>Model/Series:</b>                 | 170 170            | <b>Aircraft Category:</b>                 | Airplane        |
| <b>Year of Manufacture:</b>          |                    | <b>Amateur Built:</b>                     | No              |
| <b>Airworthiness Certificate:</b>    | Normal             | <b>Serial Number:</b>                     | 18624           |
| <b>Landing Gear Type:</b>            | Tailwheel          | <b>Seats:</b>                             | 4               |
| <b>Date/Type of Last Inspection:</b> | 10/01/1993, Annual | <b>Certified Max Gross Wt.:</b>           | 2200 lbs        |
| <b>Time Since Last Inspection:</b>   | 1 Hours            | <b>Engines:</b>                           | 1 Reciprocating |
| <b>Airframe Total Time:</b>          |                    | <b>Engine Manufacturer:</b>               | CONTINENTAL     |
| <b>ELT:</b>                          |                    | <b>Engine Model/Series:</b>               | O-300           |
| <b>Registered Owner:</b>             | LEROY E. WARDEN    | <b>Rated Power:</b>                       | 150 hp          |
| <b>Operator:</b>                     | JOEL R. HENDERSON  | <b>Operating Certificate(s)<br/>Held:</b> | None            |

## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

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|----------------------------------|-------------------|---|------------------|
| Conditions at Accident Site:     | Visual Conditions | Condition of Light:                     | Day              |
| Observation Facility, Elevation: | , 0 ft msl        | Distance from Accident Site:            | 0 Nautical Miles |
| Observation Time:                | 0000              | Direction from Accident Site:           | 0°               |
| Lowest Cloud Condition:          | Clear / 0 ft agl  | Visibility                              | 20 Miles         |
| Lowest Ceiling:                  | None / 0 ft agl   | Visibility (RVR):                       | 0 ft             |
| Wind Speed/Gusts:                | Calm /            | Turbulence Type<br>Forecast/Actual:     | /                |
| Wind Direction:                  |                   | Turbulence Severity<br>Forecast/Actual: | /                |
| Altimeter Setting:               |                   | Temperature/Dew Point:                  | 27° C            |
| Precipitation and Obscuration:   |                   |   |                  |
| Departure Point:                 |                   | Type of Flight Plan Filed:              | None             |
| Destination:                     |                   | Type of Clearance:                      | None             |
| Departure Time:                  | 1750 PDT          | Type of Airspace:                       | Class G          |

## Airport Information

|                      |                        |                           |                 |
|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Airport:             | FALLON MUNICIPAL (FLX) | Runway Surface Type:      | Dirt            |
| Airport Elevation:   | 3963 ft                | Runway Surface Condition: | Dry             |
| Runway Used:         | 31                     | IFR Approach:             | None            |
| Runway Length/Width: | 3650 ft / 75 ft        | VFR Approach/Landing:     | Traffic Pattern |

## Wreckage and Impact Information

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

## Administrative Information

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| Investigator In Charge (IIC):     | WAYNE POLLACK,   |
| Additional Participating Persons: | TERRY VAN NATTA; RENO, NV  |
| 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> . |