



National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Factual Report

Location:	NIKOLAI CREEK, AK	Accident Number:	ANC88LA091
Date & Time:	06/01/1988, 2130 AKD	Registration:	N9895L
Aircraft:	GRUMMAN AA-1B	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Defining Event:		Injuries:	2 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Private	Age:	30, Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine Land	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	Seatbelt, Shoulder harness
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 3 Valid Medical--w/ waivers/lim.	Last FAA Medical Exam:	03/28/1988
Occupational Pilot:		Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	127 hours (Total, all aircraft), 95 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 16 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 12 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 1 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	GRUMMAN	Registration:	N9895L
Model/Series:	AA-1B AA-1B	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	No
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	AA1B0495
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1560 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	10 Hours	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	1221 Hours	Engine Manufacturer:	LYCOMING
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	O-235-C2C
Registered Owner:	TATHAM, CLIFFORD	Rated Power:	108 hp
Operator:	GARY R. KUHN	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

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	50 Miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None / 0 ft agl	Visibility (RVR):	0 ft
Wind Speed/Gusts:	Light and Variable /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	Variable	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	16 °C
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	PALMER, AK (PAQ)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	VFR
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	2030 ADT	Type of Airspace:	Class G

Airport Information

Airport:	DIRT ROAD	Runway Surface Type:	Dirt
Airport Elevation:	100 ft	Runway Surface Condition:	
Runway Used:	0	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:		VFR Approach/Landing:	Full Stop

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): JAMES D LA BELLE

Additional Participating Persons:

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/>.