



National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Factual Report

Location:	LOWER LAKE, CA	Accident Number:	LAX86FVG01
Date & Time:	02/01/1986, 0900 PST	Registration:	N82RC
Aircraft:	COMMINGS VARI EZE	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Defining Event:		Injuries:	1 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General Aviation - Personal

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Airline Transport	Age:	55, Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Multi-engine Land; Single-engine Land	Seat Occupied:	Front
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	Seatbelt, Shoulder harness
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	Airplane Multi-engine; Airplane Single-engine; Instrument Airplane	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 1 Valid Medical--no waivers/lim.	Last FAA Medical Exam:	04/04/1985
Occupational Pilot:		Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	10000 hours (Total, all aircraft), 48 hours (Total, this make and model), 10000 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 18 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	COMMINGS	Registration:	N82RC
Model/Series:	VARI EZE VARI EZE	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	Yes
Airworthiness Certificate:	Experimental	Serial Number:	1
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	1
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	02/17/1985, Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1106 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	157 Hours	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	207 Hours	Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
ELT:	Not installed	Engine Model/Series:	C85-12
Registered Owner:		Rated Power:	85 hp
Operator:	HAROLD D. DAVENPORT	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:	Scattered / 0 ft agl	Visibility	10 Miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None / 0 ft agl	Visibility (RVR):	0 ft
Wind Speed/Gusts:	Calm /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:		Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	4° C / -14° C
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:		Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	0900 PDT	Type of Airspace:	Class G

Wreckage and Impact Information

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

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC): ROBERT H HUSEN

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/>.