



# National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Factual Report

<b>Location:</b>	SAN JOSE, CA	<b>Accident Number:</b>	LAX86LA051
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	12/01/1985, 1427 PST	<b>Registration:</b>	N75PB
<b>Aircraft:</b>	PITTS S1-C	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>	Substantial
<b>Defining Event:</b>		<b>Injuries:</b>	1 None
<b>Flight Conducted Under:</b>	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

## Pilot Information

<b>Certificate:</b>	Private	<b>Age:</b>	46, Male
<b>Airplane Rating(s):</b>	Multi-engine Land; Single-engine Land	<b>Seat Occupied:</b>	Front
<b>Other Aircraft Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Restraint Used:</b>	Seatbelt, Shoulder harness
<b>Instrument Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Second Pilot Present:</b>	No
<b>Instructor Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Toxicology Performed:</b>	No
<b>Medical Certification:</b>	Class 3 Valid Medical--w/ waivers/lim.	<b>Last FAA Medical Exam:</b>	05/02/1985
<b>Occupational Pilot:</b>		<b>Last Flight Review or Equivalent:</b>	
<b>Flight Time:</b>	954 hours (Total, all aircraft), 38 hours (Total, this make and model), 783 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 25 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 7 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 2 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

## Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	PITTS	Registration:	N75PB
Model/Series:	S1-C S1-C	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	Yes
Airworthiness Certificate:		Serial Number:	
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	1
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	10/01/1985, Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1650 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	280 Hours	Engine Manufacturer:	LYCOMING
ELT:	Not installed	Engine Model/Series:	O-360
Registered Owner:	ALAN H. DOUGLAS	Rated Power:	180 hp
Operator:	ALAN H. DOUGLAS	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	RHV, 133 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	0 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	1427 PST	Direction from Accident Site:	0°
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Scattered / 3500 ft agl	Visibility	20 Miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Overcast / 15000 ft agl	Visibility (RVR):	0 ft
Wind Speed/Gusts:	11 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	110°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	29 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	13° C / 7° C
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:		Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	VFR
Departure Time:	1400 PST	Type of Airspace:	Class D

## Airport Information

Airport:	REID-HILLVIEW (RHV)	Runway Surface Type:	Dirt
Airport Elevation:	133 ft	Runway Surface Condition:	Wet
Runway Used:	13R	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	3099 ft / 75 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Traffic Pattern

## Wreckage and Impact Information

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

## Administrative Information

<b>Investigator In Charge (IIC):</b>	AUDREY M SCHUTTE
<b>Additional Participating Persons:</b>	ROBYN L MC DONOUGH; SAN JOSE, CA
<b>Investigation Docket:</b>	NTSB accident and incident docket 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> .