



National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Data Summary

Location:	LULING, LA	Accident Number:	FTW85LA003
Date & Time:	10/01/1984, 1010 CST	Registration:	N5360D
Aircraft:	CESSNA 172	Injuries:	1 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

Analysis

THE PLT STATED THAT ON FINAL APPROACH A GUST OF WIND CARRIED THE ACFT TO THE RIGHT OF THE RUNWAY. ACFT RIGHT WING STRUCK A TREE. ACFT YAWED RIGHT AND CONTACTED GROUND IN UNCONTROLLED FLIGHT.

Probable Cause

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be:

Findings

Occurrence #1: IN FLIGHT COLLISION WITH OBJECT
Phase of Operation: APPROACH - VFR PATTERN - FINAL APPROACH

- Findings
1. (C) PROPER ALIGNMENT - NOT MAINTAINED - PILOT IN COMMAND
 2. (F) OBJECT - SUBMERGED OBJECT
 3. (F) WEATHER CONDITION - GUSTS
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Occurrence #2: IN FLIGHT COLLISION WITH TERRAIN/WATER
Phase of Operation: DESCENT - UNCONTROLLED

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Student	Age:	48
Airplane Rating(s):	None	Instrument Rating(s):	None
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Instructor Rating(s):	None
Flight Time:	90 hours (Total, all aircraft), 90 hours (Total, this make and model), 22 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N5360D
Model/Series:	172 172	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Operator:	ROBERT L. WARD	Engine Manufacturer:	LYCOMING
Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None	Engine Model/Series:	O-320-H2AD
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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions	Condition of Light:	Not Reported
Observation Facility, Elevation:	MSY, 4 ft msl	Weather Information Source:	Weather Observation Facility
Lowest Ceiling:	Unknown / 0 ft agl	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	7 knots / , 10°
Temperature:	23° C	Visibility	7 Miles
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	(LA37)	Destination:	

Airport Information

Airport:	CHENEVERT FLD	Runway Surface Type:	Grass/turf
Runway Used:	36	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Length/Width:	3000 ft / 150 ft		

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

Latitude, Longitude:

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	JEAN H DAUGHERTY	Adopted Date:	
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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