



National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Factual Report

Location:	Wauchula, FL	Accident Number:	MIA02LA002
Date & Time:	10/01/2001, 1520 EDT	Registration:	N851CP
Aircraft:	Cessna 172R	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Defining Event:		Injuries:	1 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

On October 1, 2001, about 1520 eastern daylight time, a Cessna 172R, N851CP, registered to Nathaniel Aviation Inc., and operated by Eagle Aviation Academy, as a Title 14 CFR Part 91 personal flight, veered off the runway during a touch-and-go landing at Wauchula, Florida. Visual meteorological conditions prevailed, and no flight plan was filed. The private-rated pilot, sole occupant of the aircraft, was not injured. The aircraft incurred substantial damage. The flight originated from Sarasota, Florida, the same day, about 1500.

The pilot stated that he was performing touch-and-go landings on runway 36 at Wauchula Airport, and the wind was coming from about 310 degrees, at about 10 to 12 knots, with some gusts. The pilot further stated that during the touch-and-go landing the aircraft touched down about 100 to 150 feet down the runway, and as he applied power, and reached for the flap control to take off, the left wing lifted, then dropped, and the aircraft went suddenly to the left, into the grass. The pilot said he reduced power, and tried to steer the aircraft toward the taxiway, but it collided with a ditch. According to the pilot, when the aircraft collided with the ditch the nose wheel caught, and the aircraft stopped immediately.

An FAA inspector who conducted the postaccident examination, stated that the left wing tip, nose landing gear, firewall and the propeller had all received damage as a result of the accident.

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Private	Age:	66, 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:	12/15/1999
Occupational Pilot:		Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	115 hours (Total, all aircraft), 105 hours (Total, this make and model), 15 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 32 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 1 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Cessna	Registration:	N851CP
Model/Series:	172R	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	No
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	17280480
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	4
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	08/27/2001, 100 Hour	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	2457 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	58 Hours	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	1631 Hours at time of accident	Engine Manufacturer:	Textron Lyc.
ELT:	Not installed	Engine Model/Series:	IO-360-L2A
Registered Owner:	Nathaniel Aviation Inc.,	Rated Power:	160 hp
Operator:	Eagle Aviation Academy	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	SRQ, 28 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	37 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	1453 EDT	Direction from Accident Site:	70°
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Visibility	10 Miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	8 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	350°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	29.97 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	24° C / 13° C
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	Sarasota, FL (SRQ)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	Wauchula, FL (FD06)	Type of Clearance:	VFR
Departure Time:	1500 EDT	Type of Airspace:	Class E

Airport Information

Airport:	Wauchula (FD06)	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	106 ft	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	36	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	4000 ft / 75 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Touch and Go; Traffic Pattern

Wreckage and Impact Information

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

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	John W Lovell
Additional Participating Persons:	Robert Blake; FAA FSDO; Tampa, FL
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/ .