

		NTSB ID: LAX98LA004		Aircraft Registration Number: N69BP	
		Occurrence Date: 10/04/1997		Most Critical Injury: None	
		Occurrence Type: Accident		Investigated By: NTSB	
Location/Time					
Nearest City/Place PAYSON		State AZ	Zip Code 85541	Local Time 0730	Time Zone MST
Airport Proximity: On Airport		Distance From Landing Facility: 1		Direction From Airport:	
Aircraft Information Summary					
Aircraft Manufacturer American		Model/Series 8KCAB		Type of Aircraft Airplane	
Sightseeing Flight: No			Air Medical Transport Flight: No		
Narrative					
<p>Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:</p> <p>On October 4, 1997, at 0730 hours mountain standard time, an American 8KCAB, N69BP, collided with bushes adjacent to the runway following an on-ground loss of control while landing at Payson, Arizona. The aircraft sustained substantial damage. The private pilot and his passenger were not injured. The flight was a personal flight operating under 14 CFR Part 91. Visual meteorological conditions prevailed at the time of the accident. The flight originated in Phoenix, Arizona, at 0700.</p> <p>An Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airworthiness Inspector examined the aircraft and talked with the pilot at the request of the Safety Board. He said the pilot reported that when he touched down, the aircraft was straight. After he set the tail wheel down, the aircraft pulled right. The pilot said he applied left rudder and the aircraft came back toward the center of the runway. The airplane began to pull to the right again, so the pilot applied power and left rudder to no avail. He decided to decrease the power as the airplane began to roll down the hill, skidding into the trees. The pilot told the FAA inspector that he never applied brakes, and that he was taught to never use the brakes for landing. The pilot was unsure how much power he applied to correct the initial drift to the right. The pilot also stated that he has had other difficult landings in this airplane.</p> <p>The pilot reported in his written statement to the FAA that he must have relaxed somewhat on the left rudder, because the aircraft "again went hard right." At this point, he said he began to initiate a go-around and realized that he couldn't make it as he was heading so far to the right.</p> <p>A witness to the accident reported that as the airplane began its touchdown on runway 24, the left wing was high, and that caused the right main tire to contact the runway first. The aircraft then veered to the left, then right, then left, and finally right. It continued a right turn, eventually exiting the runway and colliding with trees approximately 75 feet north of the paved runway. Additionally, he noted that the weather was clear and the winds were calm at the time of the accident.</p>					
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<b>Landing Facility/Approach Information</b>					
Airport Name	Airport ID:	Airport Elevation	Runway Used	Runway Length	Runway Width
PAYSON AIRPORT	E69	5157 Ft. MSL	24	5500	75
Runway Surface Type: Asphalt					
Runway Surface Condition: Dry					
Type Instrument Approach: NONE					
VFR Approach/Landing: Full Stop					
<b>Aircraft Information</b>					
Aircraft Manufacturer		Model/Series		Serial Number	
American		8KCAB		763-96	
Airworthiness Certificate(s): Normal					
Landing Gear Type: Tailwheel					
Homebuilt Aircraft? No	Number of Seats: 2	Certified Max Gross Wt.	1800 LBS	Number of Engines: 1	
Engine Type:	Engine Manufacturer:	Model/Series:	Rated Power:		
Reciprocating	Lycoming	AEIO-360-SER	180 HP		
- Aircraft Inspection Information					
Type of Last Inspection	Date of Last Inspection	Time Since Last Inspection	Airframe Total Time		
Annual	01/1997	36 Hours	111 Hours		
- Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT) Information					
ELT Installed? Yes	ELT Operated? No	ELT Aided in Locating Accident Site?			
<b>Owner/Operator Information</b>					
Registered Aircraft Owner		Street Address			
BEN BUNCH & ROGER PARKS		9619 N. 21ST. DRIVE			
		City	State	Zip Code	
		PHOENIX	AZ	85021	
Operator of Aircraft		Street Address			
ROGER PARKS		1620 EAST ROSS			
		City	State	Zip Code	
		PHOENIX	AZ	85024	
Operator Does Business As:			Operator Designator Code:		
- Type of U.S. Certificate(s) Held: None					
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s):					
Operating Certificate:			Operator Certificate:		
Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General Aviation					
Type of Flight Operation Conducted: Personal					

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**First Pilot Information**

Name On File	City On File	State On File	Date of Birth On File	Age 57
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Sex: M	Seat Occupied: Front	Principal Profession: Unknown	Certificate Number: On File
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Certificate(s): Private

Airplane Rating(s): Single-engine Land

Rotorcraft/Glider/LTA: None

Instrument Rating(s): Airplane

Instructor Rating(s): None

Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft?	Current Biennial Flight Review?
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Medical Cert.: Class 3	Medical Cert. Status: Valid Medical--w/ waivers/lim.	Date of Last Medical Exam: 10/1997
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- Flight Time Matrix	All A/C	This Make and Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multi-Engine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time	3150	105	3150		120	300				
Pilot In Command(PIC)	3150	105	3150		120	300				
Instructor										
Last 90 Days	6									
Last 30 Days	2									
Last 24 Hours	1									

Seatbelt Used? Yes	Shoulder Harness Used? Yes	Toxicology Performed?	Second Pilot? No
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**Flight Plan/Itinerary**

Type of Flight Plan Filed: None

Departure Point DEER VALLEY	State AZ	Airport Identifier DVT	Departure Time 0700	Time Zone MST
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Destination Same as Accident/Incident Location	State	Airport Identifier E69	
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Type of Clearance: None

Type of Airspace: Class E

**Weather Information**

Source of Briefing:  
No record of briefing

Method of Briefing:

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**Weather Information**

WOF ID	Observation Time	Time Zone	WOF Elevation	WOF Distance From Accident Site	Direction From Accident Site
KGY	0745	MST	968 Ft. MSL	96 NM	35 Deg. Mag.
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition: Scattered			0 Ft. AGL	Condition of Light: Day	
Lowest Ceiling: None			0 Ft. AGL	Visibility: 60 SM	Altimeter: 29.00 "Hg
Temperature: 25 °C	Dew Point: 14 °C	Wind Direction:		Density Altitude: Ft.	
Wind Speed: 4	Gusts:	Weather Conditions at Accident Site: Visual Conditions			
Visibility (RVR): 0 Ft.	Visibility (RVV) 0 SM	Intensity of Precipitation: Unknown			
Restrictions to Visibility: None					
Type of Precipitation: None					

**Accident Information**

Aircraft Damage: Substantial	Aircraft Fire: None	Aircraft Explosion: None
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Classification: U.S. Registered/U.S. Soil

- Injury Summary Matrix	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None	TOTAL
First Pilot				1	1
Second Pilot					
Student Pilot					
Flight Instructor					
Check Pilot					
Flight Engineer					
Cabin Attendants					
Other Crew					
Passengers				1	1
- TOTAL ABOARD -				2	2
Other Ground	0	0	0		0
- GRAND TOTAL -	0	0	0	2	2

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Administrative Information

Investigator-In-Charge (IIC)

DEBORAH L. CHILDRESS

Additional Persons Participating in This Accident/Incident Investigation:

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