

National Transportation Safety Board
Washington, DC 20594

Brief of Accident

Adopted 09/01/2004

SEA04CA037
File No. 16188 12/30/2003 Bend, OR Aircraft Reg No. N727MR Time (Local): 13:10 PST

Make/Model:	Bellanca / 8KCAB	Fatal	0	Serious	0	Minor/None	1
Engine Make/Model:	Lycoming / AEIO-360	Crew	0				
Aircraft Damage:	Substantial	Pass	0		0		1
Number of Engines:	1						
Operating Certificate(s):	None						
Type of Flight Operation:	Personal						
Reg. Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General Aviation						

Last Depart. Point:	HILLSBORO, OR	Condition of Light:	Day
Destination:	Same as Accident/Incident Location	Weather Info Src:	Unknown
Airport Proximity:	On Airport	Basic Weather:	Visual Conditions
Airport Name:	BEND MUNI	Lowest Ceiling:	
Runway Identification:	16	Visibility:	
Runway Length/Width (Ft):	Unk/Nr	Wind Dir/Speed:	
Runway Surface:	Ice	Temperature (°C):	Unk/Nr
Runway Surface Condition:	Snow--compacted	Precip/Obscuration:	None / None

Pilot-in-Command	Age: 50	Flight Time (Hours)
Certificate(s)/Rating(s)		Total All Aircraft: 243
Private; Single-engine Land		Last 90 Days: 12
Instrument Ratings		Total Make/Model: 65
None		Total Instrument Time: 4

The private pilot reported that just after landing (wheel landing), and after reducing engine power to idle, the aircraft began to track to the left. The pilot reported that he applied right rudder and corrective action, however, the airplane continued to track to the left of centerline. The airplane eventually exited the runway edge, encountered a two-foot snow bank, and nosed over. The pilot reported that the landing runway was "extremely icy" at the time of the accident.

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Occurrence #1: LOSS OF CONTROL - ON GROUND/WATER

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

1. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION - ICY
 2. (C) DIRECTIONAL CONTROL - NOT MAINTAINED - PILOT IN COMMAND
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Occurrence #2: ON GROUND/WATER COLLISION WITH OBJECT

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

3. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION - SNOWBANK
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Occurrence #3: NOSE OVER

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings Legend: (C) = Cause, (F) = Factor

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident as follows.
Directional control not maintained during landing. Factors include an icy runway and a snow bank.