



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location:	Fullerton, California	Accident Number:	ANC18LA079
Date & Time:	June 17, 2018, 07:30 Local	Registration:	N734RS
Aircraft:	Cessna 172	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Defining Event:	Abnormal runway contact	Injuries:	1 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation - Personal		

Analysis

The investigation of this event is being conducted under the jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). The NTSB provided requested technical assistance to the FBI, and any material generated by the NTSB is under the control of the FBI. The NTSB does not plan to issue a report or open a public docket.

Probable Cause and Findings

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

The National Transportation Safety Board did not determine the probable cause of this event and does not plan to issue a report or open a public docket. The investigation of this event is being conducted under the jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Findings

Not determined	(general) - Unknown/Not determined
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Factual Information

History of Flight

Landing	Abnormal runway contact (Defining event)
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On June 17, 2018, about 0730 Pacific daylight time, a Cessna 172 airplane, N734RS, sustained substantial damage following a loss of directional control and a runway excursion while landing at Fullerton Municipal Airport (KFUL), Fullerton, California. The airplane was registered to RI Flying Club Inc. and operated by the pilot, without their knowledge or consent, as a visual flight rules flight under the provisions of 14 *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 91 when the accident occurred. The non-solo endorsed student pilot was not injured. Visual meteorological conditions prevailed, and no flight plan had been filed.

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Pilot Information

Certificate:	Student	Age:	53,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	None	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	None
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 2 With waivers/limitations	Last FAA Medical Exam:	June 23, 2017
Occupational Pilot:	UNK	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	61.7 hours (Total, all aircraft), 55.5 hours (Total, this make and model), 3 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 5 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 2.5 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Cessna	Registration:	N734RS
Model/Series:	172 N	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:	1977	Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	17269060
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	
Date/Type of Last Inspection:		Certified Max Gross Wt.:	2299 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:		Engine Manufacturer:	Lycoming
ELT:		Engine Model/Series:	O-320 SERIES
Registered Owner:		Rated Power:	
Operator:	On file	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KFUL	Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:	15:37 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	
Lowest Cloud Condition:		Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Overcast / 4900 ft AGL	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	7 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	140°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	29.92 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	18°C / 9°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	Fullerton, CA (FUL)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	VFR
Destination:	Fullerton, CA (FUL)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:		Type of Airspace:	Class D

Airport Information

Airport:	Fullerton Muni FUL	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	96 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	24	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	3121 ft / 75 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Full stop

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 None	Latitude, Longitude:	33.871944,-117.979721(est)

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Banning, David		
Additional Participating Persons:			
Original Publish Date:	December 3, 2020	Investigation Class:	3
Note:	The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident.		
Investigation Docket:	https://data.nts.gov/Docket?ProjectID=98412		

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