



A00-074-7216

SOUTH AFRICAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY

ACCIDENT REPORT – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Date of Accident	3 July 2000	Time of Accident	1440Z		
Aircraft Registration	ZS-ITL	Type of Aircraft	Beech V35		
Pilot-in-command Licence Type	Private		Licence Valid	Yes	
Pilot-in-command Flying Experience	Total Flying Hours	124	Total Hours on Type	39.1	
	Total Past 90 Days	55	Total on Type Past 90 Days	43.6	
Type of Operation	Private				
Last point of departure	Newcastle Airport				
Next point of intended landing	Newcastle Airport				
Location of the accident site with reference to easily defined geographical points (plus GPS readings if possible)					
Newcastle Airport					
Meteorological Information	Fine weather conditions prevailed at the time of the accident.				
Number of people on board	1+1	No. of people injured	0	No. of people killed	0
Synopsis	<p>The pilot stated they were on a local, private flight, in the Newcastle area.</p> <p>The pilot admitted that he inadvertently retracted the Landing gear instead of the Flap during the landing.</p> <p>The aircraft sustained substantial damage to the propeller and the main- and nose landing gear. In addition there was minor damage to the L/H wing tip bottom.</p> <p>The pilot held a valid license and the aircraft type was endorsed to his license. He was restricted to wear corrective lenses.</p> <p>The last MPI on the aircraft was certified on 16 June 2000 at a total of 1684 airframe hours. The accident occurred at 1703 airframe hours, eg: 19 flying hours after the final MPI was certified.</p>				
Probable Cause					
The pilot inadvertently retracted the Landing gear instead of the Flap during the landing.					