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SOUTH AFRICAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY

ACCIDENT REPORT – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Date of Accident	25/11/2000	Time of Accident	1150z	
Aircraft Registration	ZS-FBT	Type of Aircraft	Beech 58 (Baron)	
Pilot-in-command Licence Type	Private		Licence Valid	Yes
Pilot-in-command Flying Experience	Total Flying Hours	562.4 hours	Total Hours on Type	102 hours
Type of Operation	Private			
Last point of departure	St. Francis Bay			
Next point of intended landing	Port Elizabeth Airport			

Location of the accident site with reference to easily defined geographical points (plus GPS readings if possible)

On Runway 26 at Port Elizabeth Airport.

Meteorological Information	Fine weather.				
Number of people on board	1 + 4	No. of people injured	Nil	No. of people killed	Nil

Synopsis

The aircraft was on a flight from St. Francis Bay to Port Elizabeth. During the approach to land at Port Elizabeth on Runway 26, the pilot extended the landing gear and observed the green indication light illuminated indicating that the landing gear is down and locked. The pilot observed the nose landing gear was extended in the mirror. What the pilot was unaware of is that the left-hand main landing gear did not extend.

During the landing roll the aircraft's left-hand wing dropped and the left-hand propeller made contact with the runway. The aircraft veered off to the left of the runway and came to rest next to the runway. None of the occupants of the aircraft was injured.

Probable Cause

The seized left-hand main landing gear uplock roller caused the uplock mechanism not to release and the landing gear not to extend.