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AVIATION OCCURRENCE BULLETIN

DATE: 19TH AUGUST, 2019
REPORT # AO-19-000015
AIRCRAFT REGISTRATION: N71CF
INVESTIGATION STATUS: COMPLETE

SUMMARY

Occurrence Bulletins are concise reports that detail the facts surrounding an aviation occurrence, as received in the initial notification and any follow-up enquiries. They provide an opportunity to share safety messages in the absence of a full investigation.

Released as required, the Bulletin provides a summary of the less-complex factual investigation reports conducted by the AAID. The results, based on information supplied by organizations or individuals involved in the occurrence, detail the facts behind the event, as well as any safety actions undertaken. When applicable, the Bulletin also highlights important Safety Messages for the broader aviation community, drawing on earlier AAID investigations and research.

GENERAL DETAILS

Date and Time of Occurrence:	19 th April, 2019		
Location	Walkers Cay Airport		
Persons on Board	Crew	1	Passengers 5
Injuries:	Crew	None	Passengers None
Commanders License:	Private Pilot, Multi Engine		
Occurrence category:	Loss of Control (ground), Runway Excursion		
Occurrence type:	Incident		
Investigation status:	Final Report Complete		

AIRCRAFT DETAILS

Aircraft details	
Aircraft Type and Registration:	PA-23-250, N71CF
Year of Manufacture & Serial #:	27-7954092
Number and Type of Engine(s)	2, IO-540 SER
Type of operation:	Private
Information Source:	AAID Field Investigation
Nature of Damage:	Left landing gear, undercarriage and propellers

Occurrence Summary:

On the 19th April 2019, at approximately 9:00 AM LCL, Piper Aztec N71CF was involved in a runway excursion, while landing on runway 09 at Walkers Cay Abaco, Bahamas. The pilot reported that there was a strong gust of wind causing the aircraft to veer off the runway to the left which resulted in the collapse of the left main landing gear. Other damage sustained in the excursion includes; the left flap and left propeller.

The aircraft departed Freeport Grand Bahama with six occupants (one pilot and five passengers), no injuries were reported.

A limited scope investigation was conducted, no safety message(s) or recommendation(s) were issued.



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