

## AVIATION SHORT INVESTIGATION BULLETIN

**REPORT # AO-16-006395**

**INVESTIGATION TITLE: N38677 INCIDENT**  
**INVESTIGATION STATUS: COMPLETED**

### SUMMARY

The Aviation Short Investigation Bulletin covers a range of the AAID’s short investigations and highlights valuable safety lessons for pilots, operators and safety managers.

### TERMINOLOGY

To help define what the AAID investigates, the terminology for the following category of occurrences is listed.

### CATEGORY

**Accident:** an occurrence involving an aircraft where:

- a person dies or suffers serious injury
- the aircraft is destroyed, or is seriously damaged
- any property is destroyed or seriously damaged

**Serious incident:** an incident involving circumstances indicating that an accident nearly occurred (ICAO Annex 13).

**Incident:** an occurrence, other than an accident, associated with the operation of an aircraft which affects or could affect the safety of operation (ICAO Annex 13), and meet the definition of an “incident” as prescribed in the Bahamas Civil Aviation (Investigations of Air Accidents and Incidents) Regulations Section 2 (1), 2016.

GENERAL DETAILS			
<b>Date:</b>	24 <sup>th</sup> December 2016	<b>Investigation status:</b>	Completed
<b>Time:</b>	1930 UTC	<b>Investigation type:</b>	Incident Investigation
<b>Location:</b>	Staniel Cay	<b>Occurrence type:</b>	Runway Excursion
<b>State:</b>	Bahamas		
<b>Release date:</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> January 2017	<b>Occurrence category:</b>	Incident
<b>Report status:</b>	Final	<b>Highest injury level:</b>	None

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## AIRCRAFT DETAILS

<b>Aircraft manufacturer:</b>	Piper
<b>Aircraft model:</b>	PA-32-300
<b>Aircraft registration:</b>	N38677
<b>Serial number:</b>	32-7840024
<b>Type of operation:</b>	Private
<b>Sector:</b>	Piston
<b>Damage to aircraft:</b>	Unknown

On 24<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at approximately 2:30 Eastern Standard Time (1930 UTC) a Piper PA-32-300 was involved in a runway excursion at Staniel Cay, Exuma. The aircraft with registration N38677 departed Exuma International Airport with the pilot as the sole occupant.

Upon landing RWY 16 at Staniel Cay, the nose-wheel started to vibrate heavily. The aircraft pulled to the left and veered off of the runway impacting the perimeter fencing. The pilot received no injuries and damage to aircraft has not been assessed.