

I Left BEH on 10/11/2014 at or about 12:55pm it took 4min TO arrive at paw paw lake. I approached from the South and touched the water with 40° of flaps extended the plane immediately flipped forward over the nose.



the cause of the accident was that I failed to get through the departure checklist and reposition the wheel gear to the up position. Contributing factors were that the flight was short and direct. There was continuous light chop below 2000' AGL, I also did not trim the plane out in straight and level flight.

Therefore I did not recognize that the wheel gear was down on ~~landing~~ⁱⁿ flight. I also did not realize the gear was down during the approach to the lake.

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