

Female pilot hospitalised and male passenger in critical condition after light plane crashed in dense bushland just moments after taking off

- A light plane crashed on the NSW mid-coast on Friday night, injuring two people
- A male passenger was airlifted to a Newcastle hospital in critical condition
- While a female pilot was taken to Port Macquarie Base Hospital but was stable

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Two people have been injured after a light plane crashed on the New South Wales mid-coast.

A male passenger and a female pilot were pulled from the wreckage around midnight Friday, after their plane went down south of Port Macquarie Airport.

The man was airlifted to Newcastle's John Hunter Hospital in critical condition by the Westpac helicopter, [Port Macquarie News](#) reports.



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The light plane, believed to be a Diamond 40 (stock pictured), went down south of Port Macquarie Airport

The woman was said to have suffered a number of injuries but was taken to Port Macquarie Base Hospital in stable condition.

Emergency services were called to the area around 8.30pm after a distress beacon was activated shortly after take off.

The plane then reportedly crashed in dense bushland south of Port Macquarie Airport.



A male passenger and a female pilot were pulled from the wreckage around midnight with the man airlifted to Newcastle's John Hunter Hospital (pictured) in critical condition

The Civil Aviation Safety Authority's Peter Gibson told Port Macquarie News that the plane was believed to be a Diamond 40 light aircraft.

He also confirmed that it was from the Australian International Aviation College.

Crews from NSW Police and SES, along with Ambulance and Fire and Rescue were involved in the search and extraction.

Australian Transport Safety Bureau officials are expected to launch an investigation Saturday.

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