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This Issue is released to advise you of the latest situation at Archerfield.

Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th of May 2001 will be recorded as two very black days for Archerfield and the light aircraft industry.

News just to hand is that Barry Hempel, well known to all aviators through the country, has been seriously injured after been struck by a hangar door he was trying to open in windy conditions on Thursday May 24th.

Barry received serious head injuries and is now in intensive care in hospital and reported to be improving. His cognitive condition is unknown.

On Wednesday, local flying instructor, Ngaire Moxley with one of her aircraft Co-owners Kevin Brown, were fatally injured when their PA-30 twin Comanche impacted the ground at the airport.

The aircraft failed to gain sufficient safe height after take-off due to an engine problem and after almost completing a very low-level circuit finished up in a non-survivable accident abeam the threshold of the take-off runway 10L.

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