

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Extra EA 300/L, G-CCPI	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Lycoming AEIO-540-L1B5 piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	2004	
Date & Time (UTC):	21 March 2005 at 1540 hrs	
Location:	Meppershall Airfield, Bedfordshire	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - 1
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - None
Nature of Damage:	Extensive damage to the airframe	
Commander's Licence:	Air Transport Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	43 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	6,500 hours (of which 170 were on type) Last 90 days - 3 hours Last 28 days - 2 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot and further enquiries by the AAIB	

The pilot was positioning the aircraft from Biggin Hill, Kent to Meppershall, Bedfordshire, for maintenance. The weather conditions were good with a surface wind of 110°/10 kt. Runway 02 was in use and its grass surface was damp.

The approach was flown slightly cross controlled to enable a better view of the strip. The aircraft bounced after touchdown, then the left main landing gear came into contact with soft ground to the left of the mowed strip. The aircraft continued to veer left off the grass strip until both main landing gears sank in the mud at low speed causing the aircraft to nose over and come to rest inverted suffering extensive damage to the propeller, fin, canopy and slight damage to the wings.

Both occupants were uninjured and after an initial difficulty getting out of their harness, due to the fact that they were hanging in them, they vacated the aircraft through the broken canopy. The airfield's local fire tender and first aid qualified personnel were very quickly on the scene and offered assistance.