

**No: 6/85**

**Ref: EW/G85/05/11**

**Aircraft type and registration:** Socata TB9 Tampico G-BIAA (light single engined fixed wing aircraft)

**Year of Manufacture:** 1980

**Date and time (GMT):** 11 May 1985 at 1055 hrs

**Location:** RAF Mona Airfield

**Type of flight:** Private

**Persons on board:** Crew — 1                  Passengers — 3

**Injuries:** Crew — None                  Passengers — None

**Nature of damage:** Nose landing gear collapsed; propeller damaged

**Commander's Licence:** Private Pilot's Licence

**Commander's Age:** 42 years

**Commander's total flying experience:** 90 hours (of which 5 were on type)

**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by pilot.

The aircraft was on a flight from Mona Airfield, North Wales. The pilot reports that, after a flight lasting for one hour, he returned to the aerodrome for an approach and landing on runway 05. The approach was normal but the landing flare was started slightly high, resulting in a rapid descent from which the aircraft bounced. After two further bounces the nose landing gear collapsed and the aircraft came to rest approximately 122 metres from the runway threshold. The occupants were uninjured. The weather at the time was fine with a surface wind from 040° at 15 kt.