

Boeing Stearman, N54922

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INCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Boeing Stearman, N54922
No & Type of Engines:	1 PW 985 14B piston engine
Year of Manufacture:	Not known
Date & Time (UTC):	12 July 1999 at 1120 hrs
Location:	White Waltham Airfield, Berkshire
Type of Flight:	Private
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1 - Passengers - 1
Injuries:	Crew - None - Passengers - None
Nature of Damage:	Port lower wing and propeller
Commander's Licence:	Basic Commercial Pilot's Licence
Commander's Age:	49 years
Commander's Flying Experience:	2,930 hours (of which 2,000 were on type) Last 90 days - 115 hours Last 28 days - 20 hours
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft landed on Runway 03 at White Waltham and turned to the right to vacate the runway. The pilot then taxied the aircraft across the grass towards the parking area. The forward vision is restricted on this type of aircraft and despite weaving the pilot failed to see a small mobile fuel bowser. The aircraft struck the bowser causing damage to the port lower wing and the propeller.