

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Lindstrand LBL 180A Hot Air Balloon, G-BVBM	
No & Type of Engines:	N/A	
Year of Manufacture:	1993	
Date & Time (UTC):	1 May 1994 at 1845 hrs	
Location:	Knossington, Leicestershire	
Type of Flight:	Public Transport	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - 8
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - 1 Serious
Nature of Damage:	None to aircraft	
Commander's Licence:	Commercial Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	45 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	1,199 hours (of which 22 were on type) Last 90 days - 7 hours Last 28 days - 4 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot made a normal approach to a grass field in a surface wind of 6 to 8 kt. The basket brushed through the top of an uncut hedge bordering the field and this caused the basket to pendulum. The balloon landed in an undulating area some 40 metres from the hedge and remained upright after coming to rest following a short hop of about 3 metres. The passengers were in the approved landing position, with backs to the landing direction and knees bent but, because the basket was still swinging following its contact with the hedge, there was a sideways component to the landing. This caused three passengers in one compartment to fall onto a fourth passenger who suffered a cracked pelvis. The injured passenger was 67 years of age and it was subsequently determined that he suffered from brittle bones and was therefore prone to injury.