

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Cozy Mk IV, 4X-OYG	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Lycoming IO 360 A1B6 piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	2007	
Date & Time (UTC):	12 July 2008 at 1226 hrs	
Location:	Wick Airport, Highland	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Minor damage	
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	62 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	3,500 hours (of which 93 were on type) Last 90 days - 50 hours Last 28 days - 30 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot and telephone conversation with Israeli AAIB	

Synopsis

The pilot omitted to lower the nose landing gear prior to landing at his destination.

History of the flight

The pilot was en-route from Israel to the United States to attend the Oshkosh rally.

The aircraft is of a canard configuration with a fixed main landing gear and retractable nosewheel. Based on information given by the pilot to the Israeli AAIB,

and forwarded subsequently to the UK AAIB by telephone, the pilot reported that at a late stage on the Le Touquet/Wick sector of his flight, he encountered bad weather, and, after becoming visual with Wick Airport, omitted to lower the gear.