

**No: 1/91**

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**Aircraft Type  
and Registration:**

Luscombe 8A, G-BSTW

**No & Type of Engines:**

1 Continental C90-12F piston engine

**Year of Manufacture:**

1946

**Date and Time (UTC):**

15 November 1990 at 1600 hrs

**Location:**

Hill Farm, Durley, Hampshire

**Type of Flight:**

Private

**Persons on Board:**

Crew - 1                      Passengers - 1

**Injuries:**

Crew - Minor                Passengers - None

**Nature of Damage:**

Severe damage to wings, fuselage and landing gear

**Commander's Licence:**

Private Pilot's Licence

**Commander's Age:**

33 years

**Commander's Total  
Flying Experience:**

90 hours (of which 17 were on type)

**Information Source:**

Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was on final approach to land on a farm strip which was orientated 050° with the wind at 280°/8 kt. The pilot had selected this runway, albeit slightly downwind, as the high trees on the approach to the reciprocal runway 23, its downslope and the damp surface might have caused an overrun accident. Some 100 metres from touchdown, the aircraft began to sink rapidly and struck some telephone wires. As a result of this impact, the aircraft rolled to the left, hit the ground left wing first and flipped over onto its back.

Both occupants were wearing diagonal and lap strap safety harnesses which withstood the impact forces. The pilot sustained a minor cut on his leg.