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**Aircraft Type
and Registration:**

Cessna 152, G-BOKY

No & Type of Engines:

1 Lycoming O-235-L2C piston engine

Year of Manufacture:

1978

Date and Time (UTC):

12 October 1989 at 1545 hrs

Location:

Lashenden, Headcorn, Kent

Type of Flight:

Training

Persons on Board:

Crew - 1

Passengers - None

Injuries:

Crew - None

Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage:

Collapsed nose landing gear and propeller damage

Commander's Licence:

Student Pilot

Commander's Age:

55 years

**Commander's Total
Flying Experience:**

38 hours (of which 12 were on type)

Information Source:

Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot was landing at Lashenden after completing the second leg of a qualifying cross country navigation exercise. The aircraft touched down normally but, after a ground roll of about 50 metres, it bounced into the air and landed heavily after one or two further bounces. The aircraft came to rest on its nose following the collapse of the nose gear. The pilot had unfortunately selected the wrong VHF frequency and was in intermittent communication with Southend approach during his approach and landing at Lashenden. He and his flying instructor consider that this confusion may have distracted him during the landing.