

INCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration: Piper PA-28-140 Cherokee, G-DIAT

No & Type of Engines: 1 Lycoming O-320-E2A piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1974

Date & Time (UTC): 31 July 1993 at 0930 hrs

Location: Humberside Airport

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - 3

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Aircraft damage to propeller tips only

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 32 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 121 hours (all on type)
Last 90 days - 6 hours
Last 28 days - 3 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot had boarded the aircraft and started the cockpit checks. Two of the passengers were strapped into the rear seats. The third passenger moved the pilot's wheelchair away from the right wing root trailing edge and, unknown to the pilot, positioned it directly in front of the aircraft. When the third passenger had boarded board the engine was started and the pilot began to taxi forwards on the grass parking area. The aircraft collided with the wheelchair, which was not visible from the pilot's seat, causing damage to the propeller tips and the wheelchair.