

No: 7/92

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Aircraft Type and Registration: Denney Kitfox Mk3, G-CTOY

No & Type of Engines: 1 Rotax 582 piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1992

Date & Time (UTC): 24 May 1992 at 1100 hrs

Location: Twinstead Farm, Essex

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - 1

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Damage to the main landing gear, left wing and propeller.

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 34 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 140 hours (of which 24 were on type)
Last 90 days - 28 hours
Last 28 days - 19 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The farm strip was designated 06 and had a flat, dry grass surface; the wind was 040°/7 kt. There was a spinney and hedge to the right of the strip. The approach was normal and touchdown, on the main wheels, was just past the threshold. The aircraft had travelled about 400 metres when the passenger alerted the pilot to a small deer which had appeared from the undergrowth on the right and was about to cross the runway. The pilot immediately applied full power and attempted to clear the animal; the aircraft yawed to the right as it became airborne and the left main landing gear struck the deer. The aircraft pitched up and stalled. The left main landing gear struck the ground and collapsed, and the aircraft came to rest on the left side of the runway pointing across it. Both occupants were wearing full upper torso restraint and escaped through their respective cabin doors without injury.