

## Stampe SV4C, G-FORC

<b>AAIB Bulletin No: 8/2004</b>	<b>Ref: EW/G2004/04/18</b>	<b>Category: 1.3</b>
<b>Aircraft Type and Registration:</b>	Stampe SV4C, G-FORC	
<b>No &amp; Type of Engines:</b>	1 4PO3 piston engine	
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>	1948	
<b>Date &amp; Time (UTC):</b>	25 April 2004 at 1449 hrs	
<b>Location:</b>	Staverton, Gloucestershire	
<b>Type of Flight:</b>	Training	
<b>Persons on Board:</b>	Crew - 2	Passengers - None
<b>Injuries:</b>	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
<b>Nature of Damage:</b>	Damage to propeller	
<b>Commander's Licence:</b>	Airline Transport Pilot's Licence	
<b>Commander's Age:</b>	49 years	
<b>Commander's Flying Experience:</b>	12,415 hours (of which 694 were on type)	
	Last 90 days - 56 hours	
	Last 28 days - 46 hours	
<b>Information Source:</b>	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

After landing on asphalt Runway 09 at Staverton Airport the instructor requested, and permission was granted, for the aircraft to vacate the runway and taxi via the grass. The aircraft cleared the runway to the right immediately to allow a following aircraft to land. The instructor was not familiar with this area of grass so, as the aircraft taxied slowly across the grass towards inactive Runway 36 she scrutinised the area either side of the aircraft looking for holes or obstructions. Whilst doing so however, she failed to notice a runway marker board ahead of the aircraft and taxied into it, damaging the propeller.

The instructor commented that this accident had occurred towards the end of her first busy flying day after a winter period of reduced flying activity. Because of this she felt that she was somewhat fatigued and that her lookout had become degraded. As a result of the incident, the aircraft operating company now insist that their instructors take a proper lunch break rather than a 'sandwich on the run'.