

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	De Havilland DH82A Tiger Moth, G-AYDI	
No & Type of Engines:	1 De Havilland Gipsy Major 1C piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	1943 (Serial no: 85910)	
Date & Time (UTC):	7 April 2013 at 1430 hrs	
Location:	Hampstead Norris Airfield, Berkshire	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Damage to both lower wings, the elevator and the lower section of the rudder	
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	35 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	405 hours (of which 119 were on type) Last 90 days - 3 hours Last 28 days - 2 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot was landing the aircraft on grass Runway 23 in good weather, with the surface wind reported as being variable at 0-10 kt. He had flown a straight-in approach, in apparently calm conditions, rather than joining overhead. As he flared the aircraft prior to touchdown, a gust of wind from the south caused the right wing to drop and strike the surface. The aircraft yawed to the

right, rocked back onto its left wing, which also struck the ground, and left the runway to the right before coming to a halt.

The pilot had not anticipated the possibility of a crosswind. Had he done so, he would have used a 'wheeler' landing technique.