

# Pulsar, G-BTDR, 11 May 2001 at 1334 hrs

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## INCIDENT

**Aircraft Type and Registration:** Pulsar, G-BTDR

**No & Type of Engines:** 1 Rotax 582 piston engine

**Year of Manufacture:** 1995

**Date & Time (UTC):** 11 May 2001 at 1334 hrs

**Location:** Manston Airfield, Kent

**Type of Flight:** Private

**Persons on Board:** Crew - 1 - Passengers - None

**Injuries:** Crew - None - Passengers - N/A

**Nature of Damage:** No Damage

**Commander's Licence:** Private Pilot's Licence

**Commander's Age:** 44 years

**Commander's Flying Experience:** 470 hours (of which 265 were on type)

Last 90 days - 25 hours

Last 28 days - 3 hours

**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

Whilst taxiing for departure, the aircraft veered slowly to the right and the nosewheel ran off onto the grass, but no damage was sustained. After the ignition had been switched off, the pilot assessed the problem and decided that it had been caused by slippage of the left brake cable with the prolonged differential braking which he had used during the relatively long taxi distance. The cable operated brake was therefore readjusted and the aircraft later took off without further incident for the planned flight to North Weald. The pilot also reported that he has since fitted 'double catches on the brake cables'.