

AAIB Bulletin No: 3/93 **Ref: EW/G93/01/09** **Category: 1b**

Aircraft Type and Registration: Beech 58 Baron, G-PSVS

No & Type of Engines: 2 Continental IO-520-CB piston engines

Year of Manufacture: 1980

Date & Time (UTC): 19 January 1993 at 1304 hrs

Location: Elstree Airport, Hertfordshire

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Damage to the airframe under surfaces. Propellers bent and engines shock loaded.

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 56 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 1,370 hours (of which 330 were on type)
Last 90 days - 31 hours
Last 28 days - 8 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

After an otherwise uneventful flight, during the roll-out after landing the pilot mistakenly selected the landing gear UP instead of the flaps. The gear collapsed and the aircraft slid to a standstill without catching fire.

The pilot believes that his more recent and greater experience on a Beech King Air, in which the respective positions of the flap and landing gear are opposite to those in the Baron, probably led to his operation of the wrong selector.