

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Quik GTR, G-CHFV
No & Type of Engines:	1 Rotax 912ULS piston engine
Year of Manufacture:	2012 (Serial no: 8612)
Date & Time (UTC):	24 November 2013 at 1235 hrs
Location:	Broadmeadow Farm, Hereford, Herefordshire
Type of Flight:	Private
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1 Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Damage to wing fabric, structure and propeller
Commander's Licence:	National Private Pilot's Licence
Commander's Age:	47 years
Commander's Flying Experience:	145 hours (of which 52 were on type) Last 90 days - 0 hours Last 28 days - 0 hours
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot had performed the required pre-flight checks and the aircraft was taking off from Runway 28 of the farm strip. The wind was from the north-north-east at 3 to 4 kt, gusting 16 kt. The aircraft had covered some 50 m and was approaching takeoff speed when it suddenly veered to the right. The pilot tried to correct the swing and applied forward pressure on the control bar, hoping to become airborne. However the turn appeared to tighten and the aircraft left the runway, sliding on its right side into the adjacent field. The pilot shut down the engine and vacated the aircraft without injury. He attributed the loss of directional control to a sudden gust of wind, possibly in conjunction with the soft, damp grass of the runway.