

No: 10/86

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Aircraft type and registration: Andreasson BA4B G-BEBS

No & Type of engines: 1 Pobjoy Cataract III piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1986

Date and time (UTC): 19 August 1986 at 1730 hrs

Location: Brighton, N Yorks

Type of flight: Private (pleasure)

Persons on board: Crew — 1 Passengers — None

Injuries: Crew — None Passengers — N/A

Nature of damage: Serious damage to fuselage, upper wing, propeller and rudder

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 43 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 1380 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot of this open cockpit aircraft had been invited by the owner to evaluate its handling qualities with a view to the aircraft's suitability for display flying and possible aerobatic use.

After a flight of approximately 15 minutes, conducted mostly over Brighton airfield and during which the pilot reported no airframe or engine defects, an approach was made to runway 29.

On short finals the airspeed was allowed to decay to below that recommended and the aircraft sank onto soft ground some 40 feet short of the runway. The aircraft overturned at low forward speed and came to rest on the edge of the runway.

The pilot, who was wearing a full harness, escaped without injury.

The weather at the time was reported as wind 300°/0—2 knots, temperature +11°C with good visibility.