

INCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Naval Aircraft Factory N3N-3, G-ONAF	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Wright Aeronautical Corporation R-760 piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	1942	
Date & Time (UTC):	3 September 2011 at 1258 hrs	
Location:	Tournerbury Farm, Hayling Island	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - 1
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - None
Nature of Damage:	Tailwheel, lower rear fuselage and rudder	
Commander's Licence:	Airline Transport Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	49 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	7,155 hours (of which 38 were on type) Last 90 days - 101 hours Last 28 days - 35 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The aircraft was on a positioning flight and being flown at a height of 1,200 ft, to remain clear of cloud, when the engine lost power. The pilot carried out a forced landing in a field during which the tailwheel detached, resulting in minor damage to the lower rear fuselage and rudder. There were no injuries. The engine was subsequently inspected and a ground run was carried

out; no anomalies were identified. The pilot reported that the ambient conditions were conducive to serious carburettor icing and he candidly commented that operating the aircraft at a relatively low height meant that the application of full carburettor heat after the power loss was too late to rectify the situation.