

**ACCIDENT**

<b>Aircraft Type and Registration:</b>	Cessna 152, G-BNKS	
<b>No &amp; Type of Engines:</b>	1 Lycoming O-235-L2C piston engine	
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>	1979	
<b>Date &amp; Time (UTC):</b>	12 September 2007 at 1415 hrs	
<b>Location:</b>	Sleap Airfield, Shropshire	
<b>Type of Flight:</b>	Training	
<b>Persons on Board:</b>	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
<b>Injuries:</b>	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
<b>Nature of Damage:</b>	Damage to propeller, engine shock-loaded	
<b>Commander's Licence:</b>	Student pilot	
<b>Commander's Age:</b>	19 years	
<b>Commander's Flying Experience:</b>	24 hours (of which all were on type)	
<b>Information Source:</b>	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the instructor	

**Synopsis**

The solo student landed the aircraft in a flat attitude and it bounced. A series of bounces developed during which the propeller struck the ground. The aircraft was brought to a stop on the runway.

**History of the flight**

The student pilot was carrying out a circuit training detail on Runway 36 at Sleap Airfield. This asphalt runway is 775 m long and 18 m wide. The surface wind was from 350° at 10 kt. The exercise began with an instructor on board and a number of circuits and landings were completed successfully by the student pilot. The

instructor then assessed that the student pilot was ready to fly solo and monitored the subsequent flight.

The first two solo circuits, with 'touch-and-go' landings, were completed and the instructor assessed them to be satisfactory. On the third landing the flare was late and the aircraft touched down in a level attitude and bounced. A series of bounces developed during which the propeller struck the runway. The aircraft came to a stop on the runway and the student pilot, who was uninjured, shut down the engine.