

**ACCIDENT**

<b>Aircraft Type and Registration:</b>	Zenair CH 601HD (Modified), G-BUTG	
<b>No &amp; Type of Engines:</b>	1 Continental Motors Corp C90-14F piston engine	
<b>Category:</b>	1.3	
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>	1993	
<b>Date &amp; Time (UTC):</b>	14 August 2005 at 1955 hrs	
<b>Location:</b>	Upper Wellingham Farm, Near Lewes, East Sussex	
<b>Type of Flight:</b>	Private	
<b>Persons on Board:</b>	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
<b>Injuries:</b>	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
<b>Nature of Damage:</b>	Propeller and nosewheel broken, minor damage to port wing tip	
<b>Commander's Licence:</b>	Private Pilot's Licence	
<b>Commander's Age:</b>	46 years	
<b>Commander's Flying Experience:</b>	288 hours (of which 16 were on type) Last 90 days - 4 hours Last 28 days - 3 hours	
<b>Information Source:</b>	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The aircraft had landed uneventfully on a wet grass surface, and was taxiing towards a concreted area opposite the hangar, when it hit a small concrete obstacle close to the edge of the hardstanding. This resulted in the collapse of the nose landing gear and damage to the propeller tips and left wing tip.

The pilot reported that due to the grass surface being wet, the effect of the aircraft's brakes was significantly reduced. He also reported that the concrete obstacle was obscured from view by long grass and that this prevented it being seen from far enough away to take avoiding action, given the degraded braking performance.