

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	MW6-S Fatboy Flyer, G-MZNE	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Rotax 582-48 piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	1999	
Date & Time (UTC):	5 May 2007 at 1700 hrs	
Location:	0.5 nm north-west of Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - 1 (Minor)	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Not specified by pilot	
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	57 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	Not known	
Information Source:	Limited information submitted by the pilot	

Synopsis

The aircraft inverted following a precautionary landing in a soft field.

History of the flight

The MW6-S Fatboy Flyer is a three-axis microlight aircraft with a maximum takeoff weight of 390 kg. The aircraft had departed from the farm strip at Yeatsall Farm, Abbots Bromley, for a local flight. Shortly after takeoff the pilot noticed that he lacked elevator control

so he decided to make a precautionary landing in a field. During the landing, on soft ground, the aircraft inverted. The pilot sustained a minor injury to his ankle.

Pilot's assessment of the cause

The pilot later determined that the elevator trim was set to a landing setting and he had missed this during his pre-takeoff checks.