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**Aircraft Type and Registration:** Reims Cessna F172M, G-BKEV

**No & Type of Engines:** 1 Lycoming O-320-E2D piston engine

**Year of Manufacture:** 1976

**Date and Time (UTC):** 8 August 1989 at 1930 hrs

**Location:** Guernsey Airport

**Type of Flight:** Training

**Persons on Board:** Crew - 1                      Passengers - None

**Injuries:** Crew - None                      Passengers - N/A

**Nature of Damage:** Slight to nosegear and tyre

**Commander's Licence:** Private Pilot's Licence

**Commander's Age:** 32 years

**Commander's Total Flying Experience:** 96 hours (of which 13 were on type)

**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot and AAIB telephone enquiry

The pilot had completed six touch and go landings on runway 27 with the wind 270°/15 kt. On the seventh approach the aircraft did not flare sufficiently and it touched down nose wheel first, thereby initiating a series of three bounces. After a go-around and normal circuit a safe landing was made. The pilot reports that the flaps did not travel fully to the selected position and subsequently, the spring on the flap selector switch was found to be broken.