

No: 10/84

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Aircraft type and registration: Cessna U 206 G G-BKGN (light single engined fixed wing aircraft)

Year of Manufacture: 1982

Date and time (GMT): 10 August 1984 at 1855 hrs

Location: Blackpool Airport

Type of flight: Private (pleasure)

Persons on board: Crew — 1 Passengers — Nil

Injuries: Crew — Nil Passengers — N/A

Nature of damage: Minor — to nose gear bracket and propeller

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 58 years

Commander's total flying experience: 760 hours (of which 70 hours were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Pro-forma submitted by the pilot.

The aircraft was making an approach to runway 31 at Blackpool Airport at 1855 hrs GMT. The weather recorded at 1850 hrs GMT included a wind from 350° (M) at 7 kt, visibility 30 km with nil weather, and sky clear.

During the landing flare the pilot was blinded by the evening sun and lost visual ground reference. The aircraft touched down nosewheel first which resulted in damage to the nose gear assembly, propeller and engine bearers.