

# Reims Cessna F172N, G-BFGD

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<b>Aircraft Type and Registration:</b>	Reims Cessna F172N, G-BFGD
<b>No &amp; Type of Engines:</b>	1 Lycoming O-320-H2AD piston engine
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>	1977
<b>Date &amp; Time (UTC):</b>	25 August 1997 at 1740 hrs
<b>Location:</b>	Finmere Aerodrome, Buckinghamshire
<b>Type of Flight:</b>	Private
<b>Persons on Board:</b>	Crew - 1 - Passengers - 2
<b>Injuries:</b>	Crew - None - Passengers - None
<b>Nature of Damage:</b>	Dents in spinner, wing strut and undercarriage fairing and detachment of nosewheel spat. Damage to picket fence
<b>Commander's Licence:</b>	Private Pilot's Licence
<b>Commander's Age:</b>	26 years
<b>Commander's Flying Experience:</b>	110 hours (of which 10 were on type) Last 90 days - Nil Last 28 days - 2 hours
<b>Information Source:</b>	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot made a powered approach with 2/3 flap selected to Runway28 at Finmere where the surface wind was estimated to be 230\_/2-3kt. An approach speed of 75 kt was used as the aircraft was heavy. The aircraft floated during the flare, touched down approximately halfway along runway and, despite full application of the wheelbrakes, ran through the picket fence at the end of the runway.