

## Reims Cessna FRA150L, G-BCKU

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**Aircraft Type and Registration:** Reims Cessna FRA150L, G-BCKU

**No & Type of Engines:** 1 Continental O-240-A piston engine

**Year of Manufacture:** 1974

**Date & Time (UTC):** 1 January 1999 at 1625 hrs

**Location:** Baxterley, 8 miles north-east of Birmingham

**Type of Flight:** Private

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

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

**Nature of Damage:** Substantial to right wing and landing gear

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

**Commander's Age:** 38 years

**Commander's Flying Experience:** 292 hours (of which 177 were on type)  
Last 90 days - N/K  
Last 28 days - 1 hour

**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot had visited several airfields during the day and was returning to Baxterley when he had to make an unplanned stop at Swinderby. This delayed him for several minutes and by the time he arrived back at Baxterley, the light was failing. His first approach to the grass Runway 25 resulted in a go-around and on the second, he landed between one third and one half along the available landing run of 450 metres. The aircraft failed to stop on the damp grass and overran into the adjacent ploughed field.

The pilot attributed the cause of the accident to the poor light conditions and his failure to divert following the missed approach.

