

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Pegasus Quik, G-CDKM	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Rotax 912 ULS piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	2005 (Serial no: 8091)	
Date & Time (UTC):	28 February 2013 at 1600 hrs	
Location:	Field adjacent to Wallasey VOR/DME station, Wirral	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - 1 (Minor)	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Substantial damage to wing, further damage to trike unit, landing gear and engine frame	
Commander's Licence:	National Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	57 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	620 hours (of which 324 were on type) Last 90 days - 6 hours Last 28 days - 6 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot encountered reducing visibility during a flight from his microlight site at Ince, near Formby, and decided to route directly back there as a precaution. As he flew north along the Wirral Peninsular, the visibility worsened and he decided to carry out a field landing rather than attempt to cross the mouth of the River Mersey in the poor conditions. The pilot chose a large

field and landed, but after a short ground run the aircraft encountered a small but very wet area and sank in, turning over onto its side. The pilot, who suffered minor bruising, observed that the chosen field was suitable in all respects, apart from the very small area of wet ground which had not been visible from the air.