

**AAIB Bulletin No:** 1/94

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**Aircraft Type and Registration:** Piper PA-28R-180 Cherokee Arrow, G-AVWR

**No & Type of Engines:** 1 Lycoming IO-360-B1E piston engine

**Year of Manufacture:** 1967

**Date & Time (UTC):** 17 November 1993 at 1600 hrs

**Location:** Dunkeswell Aerodrome, Devon

**Type of Flight:** Private

**Persons on Board:** Crew - 2                      Passengers - None

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

**Nature of Damage:** Damage to propeller, flaps, underside of fuselage and lower aerals

**Commander's Licence:** Commercial Pilot's Licence with Flying Instructor Rating

**Commander's Age:** 40 years

**Commander's Flying Experience:** 5,170 hours (Approximately 2,000 on type)  
Last 90 days - 188 hours  
Last 28 days - 66 hours

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

The aircraft returned to Dunkeswell Aerodrome after an instrument flying exercise. A practice forced landing was initiated from 2,000 feet overhead the aerodrome; while concentrating on the other procedures specifically related to this exercise both the student and the instructor failed to notice that the landing gear had not been selected down. The ensuing landing was smooth and there was very little damage to the aircraft; neither pilot noticed the landing gear warnings.