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Aircraft Type,	Jodel D92, G-BDNT	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Volkswagen Rectimo piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	1957	
Date and Time (UTC):	5 March 1988 at 1300 hrs	
Location:	Offley Grange Farm, near Hitchin, Herts	
Type of Flight:	Private (pleasure)	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Damage to landing gear, engine cowling and right wing trailing edge	
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	29 years	
Commander's Total Flying Experience:	60 hours (of which approximately 6 were on type)	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot and telephone enquiry	

The pilot was approaching a farm strip and decided to land upslope in a south-easterly direction. The wind, which he had earlier measured with a hand held anemometer, was westerly at 8 kt and gusting. On crossing the boundary hedge, the pilot became aware of an excessive sink rate and he applied power and raised the nose of the aircraft with the intention of going around. However, the aircraft landed firmly and, with power still applied, bounced once more into the air. The pilot closed the throttle and the aircraft landed again but during the ground run an uncontrollable swing to the left developed. At a ground speed estimated by the pilot to be no more than a fast walking pace the aircraft tipped onto its nose. There was no fire and the pilot was able to leave the aircraft uninjured and unaided.