

Nipper T.66 RA45 Series 3, G-AVKJ

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Aircraft Type and Registration:	Nipper T.66 RA45 Series 3, G-AVKJ
No & Type of Engines:	1 Volkswagen 1834 piston engine
Year of Manufacture:	1967
Date & Time (UTC):	18 June 1997 at 1310 hrs
Location:	Browns Farm, Welham Bridge, East Yorkshire
Type of Flight:	Private
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1 - Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None - Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Broken tail, canopy distorted, nosewheel damaged
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence
Commander's Age:	50 years
Commander's Flying Experience:	122 hours (of which 8 hours were on type) Last 90 days - 6 hours Last 28 days - 3 hours
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot was on a flight from North Coates, Lincolnshire to Brighton, Yorkshire when the engine began running roughly and appeared to be losing power. The pilot decided to make a precautionary forced landing in a large field nearby. He stopped the engine and selected the fuel to OFF. The approach was satisfactory but on landing in a field of barley the aircraft tipped over and came to rest inverted. The pilot, who was wearing a full harness, vacated the aircraft uninjured. The weather conditions at the time of the accident were good in light wind conditions.