

Cessna 152, G-BORO , 26 August 1997

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Aircraft Type and Registration:	Cessna 152, G-BORO
No & Type of Engines:	1 Lycoming O-235-L2C piston engine
Year of Manufacture:	1980
Date & Time (UTC):	26 August 1996 at 1700 hrs
Location:	Welshpool, Mid-Wales Airport, Wales
Type of Flight:	Private (Training)
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1 - Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None - Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Aircraft damaged beyond economical repair
Commander's Licence:	Student Pilot
Commander's Age:	20 years
Commander's Flying Experience:	16 hours (of which 16 were on type) Last 90 days - 16 hours Last 28 days - 16 hours
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

At the time of the accident the pilot was still a student pilot but he has since completed his training and gained a Private Pilot's Licence.

The flight was the pilot's first day of solo flying in the circuit and his last flight of the day. He was practising short-field landings on Runway 22 and the wind was reported as 240°/5kt. The third approach was too high and the power was reduced too quickly resulting in a hard 'bounce' on the runway. The next touchdown was on the grass next to the runway and, because of the speed of the aircraft and the lack of braking on the wet grass, the pilot was unable to prevent the aircraft running into the perimeter hedge where it came to rest. The pilot was wearing a lap and diagonal harness and escaped without injury.

The pilot completed a report at the time but neither the AAIB nor the CAA were notified of the accident.