

BAe ATP, G-MANL

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Aircraft Type and Registration: BAe ATP, G-MANL

No & Type of Engines: 2 Pratt & Whitney PW-126 turboprop engines

Year of Manufacture: 1987

Date & Time (UTC): 9 August 1998 at 1653 hrs

Location: Belfast City Airport

Type of Flight: Public Transport

Persons on Board: Crew - 4 - Passengers - 65

Injuries: Crew - None - Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Four main landing gear tyres deflated and four wheel hubs and brake units destroyed

Commander's Licence: Airline Transport Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 34 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 5,550 hours (of which 2,550 were on type)
Last 90 days - 106 hours
Last 28 days - 62 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was on a scheduled passenger flight from Luton to Belfast City Airport. During the approach checks, the brakes were applied which caused the 'Brake Low Pressure' warning to illuminate. The DC hydraulic pump was switched on to restore accumulator pressure and when the warning had cancelled, the foot brakes were again checked followed by a check of the parking brake. However, the crew failed to notice that the parking brake had been left in the ON position and the aircraft landed with the parking brake applied. All four tyres on the main landing gear burst and the aircraft came to a halt on the runway. As there was no fire, the Commander considered that an emergency evacuation was not warranted and the passengers were disembarked using the aircraft stairs.