

Luscombe 8A, G-BSUD

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Aircraft Type and Registration: Luscombe 8A, G-BSUD

No & Type of Engines: 1 Continental A65-1 piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1941

Date & Time (UTC): 21 June 1998 at 1445 hrs

Location: Tatenhill Airfield, Leicestershire

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 - Passengers - 1

Injuries: Crew - None - Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Left undercarriage collapsed, damage to left wing and propeller

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence with IMC and Night Rating

Commander's Age: 49 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 396 hours (of which 145 were on type)
Last 90 days - 7 hours
Last 28 days - 2 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot had planned a flight from Derby to Tatenhill airfield. The weather conditions at Tatenhill were good with no significant cloud or weather and a surface wind reported as varying between 260_ and 290_ at 15 kt. Runway 26 was the runway in use, it has an available landing distance of 1,200 metres with an asphalt surface. The approach and landing appeared normal but during the landing run the right wing lifted, as if caught by the crosswind. The aircraft veered to the right, the port wing tip made contact with the ground and the port undercarriage leg collapsed allowing the propeller to strike the runway surface. The aircraft came to rest on the grass to the north of the main runway.