ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration: Cessna 182E, G-KWAX

No & Type of Engines: 1 Continental Motors Corp O-470-R piston engine

Category: 1.3

Year of Manufacture: 1962

**Date & Time (UTC):** 31 October 2005 at 1452 hrs

**Location:** Derby Airfield, Derbyshire

**Type of Flight:** Private

**Persons on Board:** Crew - 1 Passengers - 1

**Injuries:** Crew - None Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Nose leg, propeller, cowling damaged. Engine shock

loaded

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 71 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 271 hours (of which 43 were on type)

Last 90 days - 16 hours Last 28 days - 4 hours

**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot was returning to the airfield following a short local VFR flight. A normal approach was made to Runway 23 but, during the flare, the pilot became dazzled by the low sun and made a heavy landing which

caused the nose landing gear to fail. The aircraft came to rest after sliding a short distance on its lower forward fuselage and both the pilot and passenger evacuated unaided and uninjured.