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Aircraft Type and Registration: Cessna 150M, G-BSJU

No & Type of Engines: 1 Continental O-200-A piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1974

Date & Time (UTC): 11 April 1995 at 1645 hrs

Location: Crowfield Airfield, Suffolk

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Minor damage to nose landing gear

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 61 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 50 hours (all on type)
Last 90 days - 5 hours
Last 28 days - 2 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot was carrying out visual circuits on Runway 31 at Crowfield; the runway has a grass surface which was dry and in good condition. The weather was good and the surface wind was 240°/5 kt. The pilot reported that he failed to take the necessary corrective action when the aircraft bounced following a relatively smooth touchdown. The nose landing gear did not collapse and suffered only minor damage. On reflection, he considered that he may have unintentionally developed the habit of touching down on all three wheels at the same time.