

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Grumman AA-5B, G-BXTT	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Lycoming O-360-A4K piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	1978	
Date & Time (UTC):	1 April 2006 at 0907 hrs	
Location:	Tatenhill, Staffordshire	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Propeller damaged, engine shock loaded, nose landing gear damaged	
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	53 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	220 hours (of which 74 were on type) Last 90 days - 0 hours Last 28 days - 0 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot had not flown for three months so he decided to carry out some circuits for practice. The weather conditions were clear with good visibility; the surface wind was from 250° at 15 kt. Runway 26 was in use at Tatenhill, this has an asphalt surface 700 m long and 28 m wide.

Following a successful circuit and 'touch and go' the pilot carried out a second approach and landing. The aircraft bounced on touchdown, porpoised and then ballooned. The pilot applied full power and attempted

to go around. As he carried out the go around the aircraft banked to the left and descended towards a cultivated field to the left of the runway, where he then landed. The pilot was wearing a lap and shoulder strap and was not injured in the accident.

Propeller strike marks were found on the runway surface during the subsequent inspection. It is possible that propeller damage sustained on landing affected the aircraft performance during the attempted go around.