

**ACCIDENT**

<b>Aircraft Type and Registration:</b>	Cessna 152, G-BYMH
<b>No &amp; Type of Engines:</b>	1 Lycoming O-235-L2C piston engine
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>	1981 (Serial no: 152-84980)
<b>Date &amp; Time (UTC):</b>	14 January 2014 at 1205 hrs
<b>Location:</b>	Stapleford Aerodrome, Essex
<b>Type of Flight:</b>	Training
<b>Persons on Board:</b>	Crew - 1                      Passengers - None
<b>Injuries:</b>	Crew - None                      Passengers - N/A
<b>Nature of Damage:</b>	Damage to propeller, engine mount, nose landing gear and surrounding structure.
<b>Commander's Licence:</b>	Student
<b>Commander's Age:</b>	66 years
<b>Commander's Flying Experience:</b>	81 hours (of which 81 were on type) Last 90 days - 6 hours Last 28 days - 4 hours
<b>Information Source:</b>	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The student pilot had undertaken several touch-and-go landings with his instructor before being sent to practise them solo. On his second approach, he flared the aircraft too high and it stalled several feet above the runway. The ensuing very heavy landing buckled the nose landing gear and mounting structure, causing the propeller to strike the ground. The student pilot, who was uninjured, believed that a lapse of concentration or a sudden lack of confidence may have been responsible for the accident.