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Aircraft type and registration: DH 82A Tiger Moth G-ANOH (light single engined fixed wing aircraft)

Year of manufacture: 1941

Date and time (GMT): 27 August 1983 at 1840 hrs

Location: Isle of Mull

Type of flight: Private

Persons on board: Crew — 1 Passengers — 1

Injuries: Crew — Nil Passengers — Nil

Nature of damage: Left main undercarriage, left lower wing and propeller damage

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 26 years

Commander's total flying experience: 551 hours (of which 220 hours were on type)

Stronger than anticipated headwinds were experienced on a flight from Kilkerran to Glenforsa, on Mull. Shortly before arrival at Glenforsa the engine stopped and, with rough terrain below, a forced landing was made on a gravel farm track. Some aircraft damage resulted but no injuries.

Inspection after the landing showed the fuel tank to be virtually empty. The pilot considered that fuel exhaustion had resulted from use of inadequate planned fuel reserves in view of the rapid weather changes possible in this region.