

Avid Speedwing, G-BTRC

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Aircraft Type and Registration: Avid Speedwing, G-BTRC

No & Type of Engines: 1 Rotax BMW R100 piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1991

Date & Time (UTC): 1 January 2000 at 1300 hrs

Location: Popham Airfield, Hampshire

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 - Passengers - 1

Injuries: Crew - None - Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Nose leg and propeller damage

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 52 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 154 hours (of which 29 were on type)
Last 90 days - 4 hours
Last 28 days - 2 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was flown on a cross country flight from a farm strip in Sussex to Popham Airfield, Hampshire. The pilot made an approach to Runway 08 and, during the landing phase, the airspeed decayed too much resulting in a heavy landing. The wind conditions at the airfield were light. The pilot considered that his relative lack of familiarity with this short winged version of the aircraft contributed to the accident. He also commented that a recently fitted four point harness had functioned well and he had received no injury.