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Aircraft Type and Registration: Aeronca 15AC, EI-BJJ
No & Type of Engines: 1 Continental O-300-A piston engine
Year of Manufacture: 1948
Date & Time (UTC): 22 June 1991 at 1453 hrs
Location: Townland of Magheramurphy, Kilkeel, County Down
Type of Flight: Private
Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - 1
Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - None
Nature of Damage: Minor dents on left wing and left main landing gear spats
overhead power cables severed
Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence
Commander's Age: 54 years
Commander's Flying Experience: 2,610 hours (of which 610 were on type)
Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft took off from a grass strip near Kilkeel at 1450 hrs. The pilot reports that as he descended over an area of grass fields, he failed to notice overhead power cables which were supported by poles concealed by trees. The aircraft struck the cables, severing two of them. He was able to continue the flight and land back at the grass strip, where it was established that the damage to the aircraft was slight.

The weather at the time was fine with occasional showers and good visibility.