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Aircraft Type and Registration: Piper PA-34-200-2, G-EXEC

No & Type of Engines: 1 Lycoming IO-360-C1E6 and
1 LIO-360-C1E6 piston engines

Year of Manufacture: 1974

Date & Time (UTC): 4 May 1991 at 0945 hrs

Location: Badminton airfield, Avon

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - 5

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: The right wing buckled, damaging the fuel tank,
aileron and flap

Commander's Licence: Commercial Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 24 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 460 hours (of which 27 were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot was taxiing the aircraft, slightly uphill, in front of a line of aircraft parked on his left with a small wood behind them. It was his intention to park at the far end of the line, where a marshaller was waiting. The ground, covered in short wet grass, sloped down towards the wood.

Keeping the marshaller on his left, the pilot turned towards the wood and then retarded the left engine throttle whilst advancing the right one in order to facilitate the final part of the turn. During the turn, however, the aircraft slid sideways and struck the trees with its right wing.

There was no fire and, when the aircraft came to rest, the pilot switched off the engine and the electrical supplies. The occupants left the aircraft through the normal exits.