

**ACCIDENT**

<b>Aircraft Type and Registration:</b>	Pegasus XL-R, G-MVAT	
<b>No &amp; Type of Engines:</b>	1 Rotax 503 piston engine	
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>	1988	
<b>Date &amp; Time (UTC):</b>	21 June 2010 at 1706 hrs	
<b>Location:</b>	Sculthorpe Airfield, Norfolk	
<b>Type of Flight:</b>	Private	
<b>Persons on Board:</b>	Crew - 1	Passengers - 1
<b>Injuries:</b>	Crew - 1 (Minor)	Passengers - 1 (Minor)
<b>Nature of Damage:</b>	Aircraft damaged beyond economic repair	
<b>Commander's Licence:</b>	National Private Pilot's Licence	
<b>Commander's Age:</b>	58 years	
<b>Commander's Flying Experience:</b>	180 hours (of which 151 were on type) Last 90 days - 29 hours Last 28 days - 17 hours	
<b>Information Source:</b>	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot and subsequent AAIB enquiries	

During flight, the pilot perceived that "something wasn't quite right" with the aircraft's engine, and decided to land to check the spark plugs and fuel system. He landed on a runway at Sculthorpe Airfield, which he believed was closed. Having inspected the engine and found nothing amiss, he took off again. At about 50 ft agl

during the climb, the engine lost power and the pilot attempted to land straight ahead. During the landing the aircraft impacted on its nose and then fell onto its side, sustaining damage. The cause of the power loss was not determined.