

Jodel DR1051, G-BPLH

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Aircraft Type and Registration: Jodel DR1051, G-BPLH

No & Type of Engines: 1 Potez 4E20A piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1963

Date & Time (UTC): 25 June 1999 at 2015 hrs

Location: Dunkeswell Aerodrome, Devon

Type of Flight: Private (Training)

Persons on Board: Crew - 2 - Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None - Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Both main landing gear collapsed, propeller tips bent

Commander's Licence: Basic Commercial Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 63 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 2,243 hours (of which 33 were on type)
Last 90 days - 95 hours
Last 28 days - 35 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was being flown by a qualified private pilot under the supervision of a flying instructor for the purpose of converting onto a tailwheel type of aircraft. The student made a successful approach and touchdown but during the landing roll the aircraft started to swing to the left. The student corrected this swing but then the aircraft swung to the right and ground looped before the instructor was able to take corrective action. The surface wind conditions were light and variable.