

**AAIB Bulletin No: 11/95**      **Ref: EW/G95/09/08**      **Category: 1.3**

**Aircraft Type and Registration:** Gulfstream AA-5A Cheetah, G-OECH

**No & Type of Engines:** 1 Lycoming O-320-E2G piston engine

**Year of Manufacture:** 1978

**Date & Time (UTC):** 1 September 1995 at 0830 hrs

**Location:** Elstree Aerodrome, Hertfordshire

**Type of Flight:** Private (Training)

**Persons on Board:** Crew - 2                      Passengers - None

**Injuries:** Crew - None                      Passengers - N/A

**Nature of Damage:** Substantial to nose landing gear with minor damage to left landing gear damper strut

**Commander's Licence:** Basic Commercial Pilot's Licence with IMC and Instructor Ratings

**Commander's Age:** 24 years

**Commander's Flying Experience:** 581 hours (of which 331 were on type)  
Last 90 days - 197 hours  
Last 28 days - 74 hours

**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The landing flare was initiated late and the aircraft over-rotated resulting in an excessive float before touchdown. During this float the wind, which was reported as variable between 360° and 020° at 8 kt, is thought to have backed to the crosswind direction and the aircraft stalled onto Runway 08 from a height of about 7 feet.