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Aircraft Type and Registration: Cessna 182K Skylane, G-AVGY
No & Type of Engines: 1 Continental O-470-R piston engine
Year of Manufacture: 1967
Date & Time (UTC): 12 November 1995 at 1430 hrs
Location: Fenland Airfield, Lincolnshire
Type of Flight: Private
Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - 2
Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - None
Nature of Damage: Nose landing gear broken and propeller bent
Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence
Commander's Age: 44 years
Commander's Flying Experience: 77 hours (all on type)
Last 90 days - 16 hours
Last 28 days - 8 hours
Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

Following a local area flight the pilot made an approach to land on the grass Runway 18 at Fenland, where the wind was 180°/5 kt. The first touchdown was heavy and was followed by three bounces. Towards the end of the subsequent landing roll, the nose landing gear collapsed and the aircraft came to rest with its lower nose cowling and propeller sliding along the ground.

Seeing the aircraft bouncing, the AFISO activated the crash alarm and the airfield fire vehicle reached the scene as the occupants vacated the aircraft, but there was no fire or injury and their assistance was not required.

Subsequent inspection of the aircraft revealed no evidence of previous damage to the nose landing gear.