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**Aircraft Type and Registration:** Piper PA38 Tomahawk, G-BOEB

**No & Type of Engines:** 1 Lycoming O-235-L2C piston engine

**Year of Manufacture:** 1978

**Date and Time (UTC):** 28 September 1989 at 1620 hrs

**Location:** Coventry Aerodrome

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

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

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

**Nature of Damage:** Damaged beyond economic repair

**Commander's Licence:** Airline Transport Pilot's Licence and Private Pilot's Licence with Instrument Rating

**Commander's Age:** 49 years

**Commander's Total Flying Experience:** 8600 hours (of which 40 were on type)

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

The student pilot carried out an approach and landing on the grass runway 05. During the landing roll the aircraft drifted to the left. The instructor applied full power to initiate a go-around and the student raised the flap. Almost immediately a jolt was felt which caused the aircraft to become airborne. The stall warning sounded briefly as the instructor took control, held the aircraft at a level attitude and confirmed that the flap was up and full power selected. Unfortunately he was unable to prevent the aircraft sinking into a gorse covered area of the overshoot where it came to rest.

There was no fire and, after selecting the ignition, fuel and master switches to off, the occupants, who had been wearing diagonal upper torso restraint, escaped uninjured despite an initial delay caused by difficulty opening the left door.