

**ACCIDENT**

<b>Aircraft Type and Registration:</b>	Ikarus C42, PH-3L3	
<b>No &amp; Type of Engines:</b>	1 x Rotax 912UL piston engine	
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>	2001	
<b>Date &amp; Time (UTC):</b>	17 July 2013 at 1700 hrs	
<b>Location:</b>	Bellarena Airfield, County Londonderry	
<b>Type of Flight:</b>	Private	
<b>Persons on Board:</b>	Crew - 1	Passengers - 1
<b>Injuries:</b>	Crew - None	Passengers - None
<b>Nature of Damage:</b>	Stub axle sheared, nosewheel fork bent	
<b>Commander's Licence:</b>	National Private Pilot's Licence	
<b>Commander's Age:</b>	30 years	
<b>Commander's Flying Experience:</b>	64 hours (of which 64 were on type) Last 90 days - 21 hours Last 28 days - 6 hours	
<b>Information Source:</b>	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot was flying from Carrickmore, County Tyrone, to Bellarena Airfield. At the time the weather was good and the wind was varying between 190° and 170° at 12 kt. During the final part of the approach to Runway 30 the aircraft experienced some sink which the pilot arrested with power. After the aircraft crossed a 4 ft wall in the undershoot of the runway the pilot closed the

throttle and initiated a flare at about 3 ft. As he did so the aircraft stalled and landing heavily, resulting in the aircraft's left stub axle shearing and the nosewheel fork bending. The pilot and passenger were uninjured.

The pilot attributed the accident to being slightly slow and flaring too high.