

Grob G109B, G-BZLY

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Aircraft Type and Registration:	Grob G109B, G-BZLY	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Grob 2500-E1 piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	1984	
Date & Time (UTC):	27 September 2003 at 1605 hrs	
Location:	Dishforth, Yorkshire	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - 1
Injuries:	Crew - 1 (Minor)	Passengers - None
Nature of Damage:	Damage to propeller, spinner, cowling and tail wheel with stress cracks to rear fuselage and tailplane	
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	51 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	194 hours (of which 31 were on type)	
	Last 90 days - 23 hours	
	Last 28 days - 4 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The aircraft made an approach to Runway 34 at Dishforth after an uneventful positioning flight from Sutton Bank. Touchdown was made with the aircraft in a slightly tail high attitude and the passenger, a qualified glider pilot, prompted the pilot to hold the stick fully back. As the aircraft's tail came down, it developed a swing to the right, the tail rose again and it headed directly towards a parked fuel bowser. The pilot did not appear to react to the situation so the passenger pulled the stick back and attempted to put his feet on the rudder pedals to steer the aircraft to avoid a collision. At this time however, the pilot selected full airbrake, which also actuated the wheelbrakes. The aircraft pitched forward and its nose contacted the ground before it settled back onto its tail and came to rest.