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Aircraft Type and Registration: Currie Wot, G-APNT

No & Type of Engines: 1 Continental Motors Corp PC 60 piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1958

Date and Time (UTC): 28 January 1989 at 1630 hrs

Location: Private Airstrip 5m South of Dundonald, Northern Ireland

Type of Flight: Pleasure

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Damage to underneath of fuselage, wings and tail. Propeller and landing gear broken

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 35 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 270 hours (of which 72 were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

At the start of a final approach to a landing strip with which he was familiar the pilot reports that he found himself to be too high so he closed the throttle and commenced a sideslip. The flare, small application of power, and cancellation of the sideslip were not quite simultaneous and the rate of descent remained a little high when the main wheels touched down hard on the top of a slight rise. The landing gear broke off and rolled to the right while the aircraft touched down on its underside 20 ft along the strip and slid to a halt.

The pilot was wearing a full harness and was uninjured.