

No: 2/85

Ref: EW/G84/11/02

Aircraft type and registration: Tiger Moth DH82A G-ANFI (light single engine aircraft)

Year of Manufacture: 1941

Date and time (GMT): 17 November 1984 at 1557 hrs

Location: Cardiff Airport

Type of flight: Private (Pleasure)

Persons on board: Crew — 1 Passengers — None

Injuries: Crew — None Passengers — None

Nature of damage: Damage to tailplane, propeller, and wings

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age:

Commander's total flying experience: 68 hours (of which 4 were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form completed by the pilot and report by ATC.

G-ANFI was cleared for take-off from the grass runway 27. The reported wind was 340°/2 kt, with a 9 km visibility and 7 oktas of cloud at 3,800 feet.

At 1556 hours the aircraft began its take-off run. As it became airborne, it yawed first to the left and then to the right, following which the starboard wing struck the ground. The propeller then also contacted the ground and the aircraft came to rest upside down.

The pilot subsequently stated that the yaw to the right was caused by over-correcting the initial yaw to the left. There was no fire and the pilot evacuated the aircraft safely.