

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Streak Shadow, G-BVTD	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Rotax 582 piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	1994 (Serial no: PFA 206-11972)	
Date & Time (UTC):	10 August 2013 at 1452 hrs	
Location:	Stoke Golding Airfield, Leicestershire	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Nosewheel, front underside, lower fuel tank, boom, canopy	
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	63 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	478 hours (of which 1 was on type) Last 90 days - 6 hours Last 28 days - 3 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot trimmed the aircraft for landing on Runway 26 at Stoke Golding at an indicated airspeed of 60 kt then, at a height of 6 ft, decided to go around. The Shadow has a throttle lever on the left of the cockpit and a 'sidestick' control column on the right, whereas Piper PA-28 aircraft he had flown previously have a throttle operated with the right hand and a control yoke held in the left. Instead of advancing the throttle with his left hand, he pushed the control column forward with his right. Although he realised his mistake, he was unable to prevent the nose landing gear from striking the ground and collapsing. He considered that his lack of experience with the Shadow was the reason for his error.