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Aircraft Type and Registration: Reims Cessna F152, G-CPFC

No & Type of Engines: 1 Lycoming O-235-L2C piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1977

Date and Time (UTC): 12 July 1989 at 1000 hrs

Location: Sywell, Northampton

Type of Flight: Private (pleasure)

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - 1

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Nose landing gear collapsed; resultant damage to propeller and under side fuselage

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 42 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 83 hours (of which 75 were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was on a flight from Cranfield to Sywell with the pilot and one passenger on board. The pilot reports that on joining the Sywell aerodrome circuit he was requested to make a long final approach to runway 25 due to conflicting traffic. He describes the approach as normal however during the flare the aircraft dropped, touched down heavily and bounced. On the second contact with the runway the nose landing gear collapsed and the aircraft slid to a stop. Both occupants were uninjured and vacated the aircraft via the normal exit. The weather at the time was fine with a surface wind of 250/10 knots.