

Piper PA-38-112, G-BOYT, 17 August 1997

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Aircraft Type and Registration:	Piper PA-38-112, G-BOYT
No & Type of Engines:	1 Lycoming O-235-L2C piston engine
Year of Manufacture:	1981
Date & Time (UTC):	17 August 1997 at 1530 hrs
Location:	Mid-Wales Airport, Welshpool, Wales
Type of Flight:	Private
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1 - Passengers - 1
Injuries:	Crew - None - Passengers - None
Nature of Damage:	Right hand wing
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence
Commander's Age:	26 years
Commander's Flying Experience:	86 hours (of which 3 were on type) Last 90 days - 3 hours Last 28 days - 1 hour
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot reported that whilst landing on Runway 04L in good weather conditions the surface wind changed from approximately 230_/10kt to 130_/15 kt. The change occurred during touchdown and caused a wing to drop. During recovery from the wing drop the aircraft departed off the left side of the runway and the right hand wing struck an obstruction, reportedly some traffic cones. After regaining full control the pilot taxied back onto the runway and from there to the hangar where the aircraft was inspected. The right hand wing tip, flap and fuel strainer had been damaged during the impact.