

**ACCIDENT**

<b>Aircraft Type and Registration:</b>	Skyranger 912(2) 3-axis microlight, G-CDFJ	
<b>No &amp; Type of Engines:</b>	1 Rotax 912-UL piston engine	
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>	2005	
<b>Date &amp; Time (UTC):</b>	19 December 2009 at 1225 hrs	
<b>Location:</b>	Sandown Airport, Isle of Wight	
<b>Type of Flight:</b>	Private	
<b>Persons on Board:</b>	Crew - 1	Passengers - 1
<b>Injuries:</b>	Crew - 1 (Minor)	Passengers - 1 (Minor)
<b>Nature of Damage:</b>	Damage to nosewheel, rear fuselage, tailplane, windscreen, engine cowling and propeller	
<b>Commander's Licence:</b>	Private Pilot's Licence	
<b>Commander's Age:</b>	58 years	
<b>Commander's Flying Experience:</b>	860 hours (of which 13 were on type) Last 90 days - 26 hours Last 28 days - 12 hours	
<b>Information Source:</b>	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The aircraft was landing on Runway 05 at Sandown. The reported wind was 7 kt from a direction of 315°. The aircraft travelled approximately halfway along the runway before touching down. It then bounced before touching down again, whereupon the nosewheel sank into the grass runway surface. The nosewheel

detached and the nose landing gear leg dug into the ground, causing the aircraft to tip over. The pilot considered that the accident was caused by two factors: the tailwind component and a soft runway surface. He also considered that he should have applied full power after the initial touchdown and gone around.