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Aircraft Type and Registration: Socata Morane Saulnier MS.894A, G-BCAC

No & Type of Engines: 1 Franklin 6A-350-C1 piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1973

Date and Time (UTC): 6 May 1990 at 1100 hrs

Location: Sandown Airfield, Isle of Wight

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - 2

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Damage to nosewheel and noseleg, propeller tips bent

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence with Night rating

Commander's Age: 50 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 294 hours (of which 168 were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

A "precautionary" full flap approach was made to runway 05. After the initial touchdown which appeared normal the power was reduced to idle but the aircraft ran across a slight hump in the runway and became airborne again. Power was applied to check the descent but when the nose was lowered after the second touchdown the noseleg collapsed. The aircraft slid to a halt on the runway.