

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Piper PA-18-150 Super Cub, G-BIDK	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Lycoming O-320-B2B piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	1958	
Date & Time (UTC):	1 September 2011 at 1420 hrs	
Location:	Cranfield Airport, Bedfordshire	
Type of Flight:	Training	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 2	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Left wing spar, left main wheel and tyre damaged	
Commander's Licence:	Commercial Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	75 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	24,000 hours (of which 500 were on type) Last 90 days - 60 hours Last 28 days - 30 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

On landing, the aircraft bounced slightly and then ground looped, damaging the left wing spar, wheel and tyre. The handling pilot, who was in the front seat, was under instruction and was making an approach to Runway 21 with an 8 kt crosswind from the left. The aircraft touched down left wheel first and bounced slightly before settling back onto the runway. This

pilot described the second contact as "firm". The left wing then lifted and the pilot lost directional control of the aircraft, which yawed to the right through approximately 90°. During this manoeuvre the left tyre burst, the left wheel was damaged and the left wing tip struck the ground, causing damage to the left wing spar.

BULLETIN CORRECTION

The report erroneously refers to the handling pilot being in the left seat when he was actually occupying the front seat. Therefore, the second sentence should now read:

The handling pilot, who was in the **front** seat, was under instruction and was making an approach to Runway 21 with an 8 kt crosswind from the left.

This was corrected in the online version of the report on 20 February 2012 and a correction will appear in the April 2012 Bulletin.