ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration: Mainair Blade 912, G-BZWB

No & Type of Engines: 1 Rotax 912-UL piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 2001 (Serial no: 1284-0501-7-W1079)

Date & Time (UTC): 7 April 2013 at 0755 hrs

Location: Caernarfon Airport, North Wales

Type of Flight: Training

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Severe damage to trike and wing

Commander's Licence: Student

Commander's Age: 55 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 26 hours (of which all were on type)

Last 90 days - 14 hours Last 28 days - 5 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The solo student was taking off from Runway 08 at Caernarfon Airport to practise circuits. The pilot stated that, having reduced engine power shortly after takeoff, the right wing dropped and the aircraft started to descend. He applied full power in an attempt to arrest the descent, but the wing dropped further to the right before striking

the runway surface and the aircraft fell onto its right side. The pilot, who was wearing a helmet and lap strap, was unhurt. He considered that the accident had been caused by an excessive reduction of engine power which had resulted in a nose-down attitude combined with a wing drop.

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