

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Skyranger 912S(1), G-CDTP	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Rotax 912ULS piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	2005	
Date & Time (UTC):	9 May 2010 at 1500 hrs	
Location:	Brighton Airfield, North Yorkshire	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - 1
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - None
Nature of Damage:	Nosewheel collapsed and propeller damaged	
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	70 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	541 hours (of which 41 were on type) Last 90 days - 7 hours Last 28 days - 4 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot flew the approach to Runway 29 at 65 mph and the surface wind at the time was reported as 030°/6 kt. He was aware that there was a crosswind from his right and, therefore, adopted the 'wing-down' landing technique. As he began to flare the aircraft, the speed reduced to 50 mph and the right wing suddenly lifted. Despite the pilot increasing the engine speed,

the aircraft landed heavily on the nosewheel, which collapsed, and the propeller struck the ground.

The pilot commented that the accident occurred because he did not carry out the correct crosswind landing technique for this aircraft type, which required him to maintain 65 mph until the aircraft had touched down.