

No: 8/92

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Aircraft Type and Registration: Denney Kitfox Mk 2, G-BSVK

No & Type of Engines: 1 Rotax 582 piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1991

Date & Time (UTC): 13 June 1992 at 1145 hrs

Location: Westfield Farm Strip, Hailsham, East Sussex

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - 1

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - Minor

Nature of Damage: General damage to airframe and engine; major damage to right main landing gear.

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 57 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 160 hours (of which 17 were on type)
Last 90 days - 7 hours
Last 28 days - 2 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The grass strip was designated 06 and was well mown and dry. The surface wind was calm. On the take-off run, the tail wheel lifted after about 50 to 60 yards, however, shortly after the main wheels had left the ground the tail wheel touched again. The aircraft veered sharply to the left in a slightly nose down attitude which the pilot tried to correct by banking right and raising the nose. He thought that the aircraft may have stalled and it struck the ground soon afterwards, the impact being taken by the right main landing gear and wing. The occupants were both wearing full upper torso restraint and escaped with only minor injuries to the passenger.