

Cessna 152, G-BOGG

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Aircraft Type and Registration: Cessna 152, G-BOGG

No & Type of Engines: 1 Lycoming O-235-L2E piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1979

Date & Time (UTC): 16 August 1998 at 1705 hrs

Location: Compton Abbas, Wiltshire

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 - Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None - Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Substantial to nose landing gear, propeller and wingtips

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 48 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 51 hours (of which 16 were on type)
Last 90 days - 11 hours
Last 28 days - 4 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot was landing on Runway 26 in light wind conditions and good visibility. The approach was normal, but as he commenced the flare, the pilot was blinded by the sun. He attempted to go-around, but before he was able to complete the procedure, the aircraft dropped and the nose landing gear collapsed. The aircraft rolled to the left and then to the right damaging both wingtips in the process before coming to rest.

The pilot considered that the cause of the accident was his lack of experience in landing into a strong sun and the fact that he was not wearing sun glasses which was his normal practice.