

## ACCIDENT

<b>Aircraft Type and Registration:</b>	DH82A Tiger Moth, G-AXAN	
<b>No &amp; Type of Engines:</b>	1 De Havilland Gipsy Major 1F piston engine	
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>	1943	
<b>Date &amp; Time (UTC):</b>	1 June 2008 at 1420 hrs	
<b>Location:</b>	Sandtoft Aerodrome, Belton	
<b>Type of Flight:</b>	Private	
<b>Persons on Board:</b>	Crew - 1	Passengers - 1
<b>Injuries:</b>	Crew - None	Passengers - None
<b>Nature of Damage:</b>	Broken propeller, damage to fin, rudder, upper mainplane and engine cowls	
<b>Commander's Licence:</b>	Private Pilot's Licence	
<b>Commander's Age:</b>	49 years	
<b>Commander's Flying Experience:</b>	1,147 hours (of which 80 were on type) Last 90 days - 10 hours Last 28 days - 8 hours	
<b>Information Source:</b>	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

## Synopsis

Landing on wet grass adjacent to the paved runway, in crosswind conditions, the aircraft veered off the strip and nosed over in long grass.

## History of the flight

The pilot was landing at Sandtoft Aerodrome, which has a paved Runway 05/23 and, adjacent, a strip of grass mown short for safety. There was a variable crosswind

component so the pilot elected to land on the grass strip. During the landing roll, the aircraft veered to the right into an area of long grass and stopped quickly, turning over. The pilot estimates that he lost directional control partly due to the wet condition of the grass, and the crosswind, and that the aircraft was travelling at less than 20 mph when it turned over.