

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Savannah Jabiru(5), G-CEEX	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Jabiru Aircraft Pty 2200 piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	2006	
Date & Time (UTC):	25 March 2011 at 1500 hrs	
Location:	Hollym Airstrip, East Yorkshire	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - 1
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - None
Nature of Damage:	Damage to nose landing gear, forward fuselage, flight controls and propeller; engine shock-loaded	
Commander's Licence:	National Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	55 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	248 hours (of which 110 were on type) Last 90 days - 17 hours Last 28 days - 9 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot and subsequent AAIB enquiries	

The pilot reported that he flew over the airfield prior to landing, and observed that the wind was light and from approximately 110°. He decided to land on Runway 17, rather than the more into-wind Runway 13, because he was concerned about landing towards cliffs which form the eastern boundary of the airfield. On approach, he judged that the aircraft was "rather too high", but considered that there was sufficient runway ahead to land. The aircraft bounced on touchdown, the nose landing gear buckled under the fuselage, and the propeller struck the runway surface. The pilot considered that the aircraft had been affected by rotary airflow in the lee of

the cliffs, and that the second touchdown was on a ridge running across the airfield.

The airfield operator had granted the pilot permission to use the airfield by telephone, but had advised him to make radio contact before landing, with the intention of warning him not to approach over the cliffs (the operator's standard practice). The pilot did not call on the radio before landing. Published information concerning the airfield includes the warning '*Rwy 17 not recommended for first time visitors*'.