## **ACCIDENT**

Aircraft Type and Registration: Reims Cessna FRA150L Aerobat, G-BAEV

No & Type of Engines: 1 Continental Motors Corp O-240-A piston

engine

**Year of Manufacture:** 1972 (Serial no: 173)

Date & Time (UTC): 26 September 2015 at 0950 hrs

**Location:** Beverley Airfield, Yorkshire

Type of Flight: Training

**Persons on Board:** Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - 1 (Minor) Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Significant structural damage to the noseleg,

propeller, fuselage and wings

Commander's Licence: Student

Commander's Age: 24 years

**Commander's Flying Experience:** 38 hours (of which 38 were on type)

Last 90 days - 2 hours Last 28 days - 2 hours

**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the

pilot

The student pilot had completed 3 hours solo in the circuit and 55 minutes of solo cross-country. This flight was a triangular solo cross-country exercise from Beverley to overhead Carnaby, to overhead Elvington, and then back to Beverley.

The student pilot was approximately half way between Elvington and Beverley on the last leg when she started to feel dizzy and found concentration difficult. She continued towards Beverley and joined downwind, recalling that her height had dropped to around 600 ft. She turned onto final at approximately 300 ft, and recalled that she was struggling to concentrate and manage the aircraft's height. The aircraft struck some tall grass close to the runway threshold and landed heavily on the nosewheel, causing extensive damage to the nose gear, forward fuselage and left wing. The student suffered minor injuries and was assisted by an instructor who was first on the scene.

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