

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Ikarus C42 FB100, G-CFIT	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Rotax 912ULS piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	2008 (Serial no: 0804-6966)	
Date & Time (UTC):	23 March 2016 at 1155 hrs	
Location:	Clench Common Airfield, Wiltshire	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - 1
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - None
Nature of Damage:	Nose landing gear collapsed, damage to propeller and possible damage to right wing	
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence (Microlight)	
Commander's Age:	61 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	205 hours (of which 90 were on type) Last 90 days - 8 hours Last 28 days - 4 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot reported that during his approach to Runway 08 the aircraft was faster than he intended. The aircraft landed long on the slightly down-sloping, damp grass surface and the pilot recognised that it was unlikely to stop on the runway. However, he decided that there was insufficient space to take off again and safely clear trees located in the next field. The pilot was unable to stop the aircraft before it overran the runway onto a ploughed area, during which the nose landing gear collapsed.

CAA Safety Sense Leaflet 12 titled '*Strip Flying*' offers advice for operating from unlicensed aerodromes and private strips.