

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Evans VP-1 Series 2, G-TGJH	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Volkswagen 1834 piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	2015 (Serial no: PFA 062-11933)	
Date & Time (UTC):	27 August 2016 at 1000 hrs	
Location:	Ewesley Farm, Northumberland	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Substantial	
Commander's Licence:	National Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	76 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	1,029 hours (of which 17 were on type) Last 90 days - 4 hours Last 28 days - 1 hour	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot reported that during takeoff from Runway 24 at Ewesley Farm airstrip, the right mainwheel entered long grass to the side of the runway, causing the aircraft to swing to the right and towards a fence. The aircraft cleared the fence but landed heavily on the rough ground beyond and was substantially damaged. The weather was good and the wind was light and from the south.

CAA Safety Sense Leaflet 12, '*Strip Sense*' contains useful information for operating at unlicensed aerodromes and private strips.