

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Tango 2, RA-0542A	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Yamaha Genesis	
Year of Manufacture:	2016	
Date & Time (UTC):	25 August 2016 at 1345 hrs	
Location:	Popham Airfield, Hampshire	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 2	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Rotor, propeller and left side of the open canopy	
Commander's Licence:	No details provided	
Commander's Age:	47 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	450 hours (of which 35 were on type) Last 90 days - 60 hours Last 28 days - 25 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot and video clip	

The pilot was taking part in the FAI World Paramotor and Microlight Championship in the Autogyro Tandem class and lost control of the gyrocopter during takeoff. Video footage of the takeoff shows the gyrocopter rotating steeply with the rotor blade hitting the ground behind the gyrocopter. It then rolled to the left before coming to a stop on its side. The pilot and crew were unharmed.

Bulletin Correction

There was an error in the report header information when this report was sent to press. The text should read:

Persons on Board: Crew - 2 Passengers - None

The online version of this report was corrected when published on 11 May 2017.