

**ACCIDENT**

<b>Aircraft Type and Registration:</b>	Nipper T.66 RA45 Series 3, G-AVKI	
<b>No &amp; Type of Engines:</b>	1 Sauer SE 1800 E2S piston engine	
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>	1967 (Serial no: S102)	
<b>Date &amp; Time (UTC):</b>	17 October 2017 at 1320 hrs	
<b>Location:</b>	RAF Henlow, Bedfordshire	
<b>Type of Flight:</b>	Private	
<b>Persons on Board:</b>	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
<b>Injuries:</b>	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
<b>Nature of Damage:</b>	Damage to propeller, wings, engine cowling and rudder. Damage to hangar door	
<b>Commander's Licence:</b>	National Private Pilot's Licence	
<b>Commander's Age:</b>	51 years	
<b>Commander's Flying Experience:</b>	703 hours (of which 2 were on type) Last 90 days - 53 hours Last 28 days - 23 hours	
<b>Information Source:</b>	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot was stowing the aircraft's restraining strap and chocks in the cockpit with the engine at idle. As he leaned into the cockpit to secure them for flight, he inadvertently advanced the throttle, causing the aircraft to move forward under its own power. The pilot attempted to stop the aircraft by holding onto the left wing. He was able to guide it onto a grassed area adjacent to the hangars, but was unable to bring it to a stop. The aircraft then completed approximately three full rotations before the pilot was forced to let go; it then continued forward until it struck the hangar doors and came to a stop.