

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Just SuperSTOL, G-HONO	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Rotax 912IS piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	2017 (Serial no: LAA 397-15378)	
Date & Time (UTC):	14 July 2018 at 1903 hrs	
Location:	Farmstrip near Market Drayton, Shropshire	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - 1
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Left wing damaged	
Commander's Licence:	Commercial Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	55 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	1,103 hours (of which 12 were on type) Last 90 days - 52 hours Last 28 days - 26 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot reported that he was returning to the farm strip, orientated north-west/south-east, after a local flight. The windsock indicated a wind from the west, predominantly across the strip, so he elected to land in a south-easterly direction providing a more open approach.

He planned to touchdown at a low point in the middle of the strip but landed before it on a slight downhill section. The aircraft then started to track left towards the edge of the strip, so he applied right rudder to correct this, initially with little effect. As the aircraft approached the end of the strip, while still travelling fast, he increased the rudder input. The aircraft then ground looped during which the right main gear lifted and the left wing contacted the ground.

The pilot believed he flew the approach faster than normal and the right brake was applied when the rudder was deflected. Also, having landed on the downhill section he considered he should have flown a go-around.

After downloading his GPS flight log, he discovered the aircraft had landed with a 5 kt tailwind. He added that had he monitored the wind on the GPS during the approach he may have noticed this. He also felt rushed before the flight.