

ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration:	Rebel, G-BZFT	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Lycoming O-320-C2A piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	2001 (Serial no: PFA 232-13224)	
Date & Time (UTC):	4 June 2021 at 1330 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:	Deformed tail section, propeller and engine shock loaded	
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	57 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	360 hours (of which 6 were on type) Last 90 days - 21 hours Last 28 days - 5 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot reported that during the landing roll on grass Runway 33 at Clench Common, the aircraft started to turn left when at a low speed. He applied right rudder and differential braking, using the toe brakes, but with little effect, so he positively applied both brakes. As the aircraft came to a stop it nosed over momentarily causing the propeller to strike the ground. The aircraft then settled back onto its tailwheel, coming to rest in a grass field that bordered the runway.

The aircraft's tail section side panel was deformed when it settled back onto its tailwheel. The propeller was damaged, and the engine was shock loaded.

The pilot attributed the accident to his lack of experience on type, highlighting that he should not brake hard at low speed if there is no danger present, and must continue to 'fly the aircraft' until the engine is shutdown.