

No: 12/87

Aircraft type and registration: Cessna FA 150K G-AXVC

No & Type of engines: 1 Continental Motors Corp 0-200-A piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1970

Date and time (GMT): 14 October 1987 at 1325 hrs

Location: Sibson Airport, Peterborough

Type of flight: Training

Persons on board: Crew — 1 Passengers — None

Injuries: Crew — None Passengers — N/A

Nature of damage: Substantial to the wings, propeller, and tail

Commander's Licence: Student Pilot

Commander's Age: 33 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 56 hours (all of which were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot and CFI.

The aircraft was making an approach to land on the grass runway 25 at Sibson. The wind was reported as 220°/08 kt with good visibility. The pilot reports that she flared too hard, the aircraft floated and a small amount of power was applied. Full flap had been selected for the landing. After a moments hesitation, a go-around was initiated and full power selected. The aircraft adopted a high nose up attitude and the airspeed decayed even though the flaps were raised progressively. The aircraft mushed into trees in the overshoot area of runway 25 and the aircraft received substantial damage to the wings, propeller, and tail.

The pilot was wearing full harness and was uninjured, and evacuated the aircraft after turning off the fuel. There was no fire. During the subsequent examination of the aircraft, the carburettor heat control was found selected to hot.