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Aircraft type and registration: Amateur construction Andreasson BA4B G-BEBS

No & Type of engines: 1 Rolls Royce Continental piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1985

Date and time (UTC): 14 November 1987 at 1100 hrs

Location: Netherthorpe airfield, Nr Worksop, Notts

Type of flight: Private (pleasure)

Persons on board: Crew — 1 Passengers — None

Injuries: Crew — None Passengers — N/A

Nature of damage: To the propeller, the forward bulkhead and the engine cowlings

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 34 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 308 hours (of which 2.5 were on type)

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

During the take-off phase of the flight, the wind at the airfield was 240°/10—15 kt and the take-off was conducted without incident. By the time that the aircraft returned to the airfield, one hour later, the wind direction and its strength had changed to 300°/25 kt and was gusting.

The first approach to land was not established to the satisfaction of the pilot and he therefore carried out a "go-around". The following attempt was reportedly satisfactory, and a normal landing made. The pilot states that, at the end of the landing run, at a very low speed, the wind lifted the aircraft into the air again, following which it nosed over and came to rest.

Although the aircraft sustained considerable damage, the pilot's upper-torso restraint harness withheld the forces of the impact and the pilot suffered no injury. There was no fire.