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Aircraft type

Rand KR-2 G-BKFV (light single engined home-built aircraft) and registration:

Year of Manufacture: 1983

13 October 1985 at 1445 hrs Date and time (GMT):

Fairwood Common, Swansea Location:

Type of flight: Private (pleasure)

Passengers — None Crew — 1 Persons on board:

Passengers — N/A Crew — 1 Minor **Injuries:**

Substantial — damage to engine bulkhead, broken propeller and Nature of damage:

possible engine shock loading

Private Pilot's Licence Commander's Licence:

47 years Commander's Age:

Commander's Total

470 hours (of which 3 hours were on type) Flving Experience:

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

The aircraft returned to Swansea airport after a flight in the local area. The weather was fine with the wind 100° at 10 kt.

The aircraft was cleared to land on runway 10, and as a result of a late flare the propeller contacted the runway, although the pilot was unaware of it at the time. Eye witnesses also saw 'pieces' detach from the aircraft after touch down. The pilot decided to go-around and this was uneventful until 300 feet a.g.l. when severe vibration was experienced. Power was reduced, the vibration decreased and the pilot then suspected that propeller damage may have occurred. The engine was shut down and a forced landing was carried out on common land 300 metres north east of the runway 22 threshold.

The pilot's upper torso restraint held, and he suffered some bruising. There was no fire and the aerodrome emergency services attended promptly.