

**Aircraft Type and Registration:** Stampe SV4C (Modified), G-SVIV  
**No & Type of Engines:** 1 De Havilland Gipsy Major 10-1-1A piston engine  
**Year of Manufacture:** 1947  
**Date & Time (UTC):** 1 May 1994 at 1220 hrs  
**Location:** Compton Abbas Airfield, Wiltshire  
**Type of Flight:** Private  
**Persons on Board:** Crew - 1 Passengers - 1  
**Injuries:** Crew - None Passengers - 1 Minor  
**Nature of Damage:** Damaged beyond economical repair  
**Commander's Licence:** Airline Transport Pilot's Licence  
**Commander's Age:** 45 years  
**Commander's Flying Experience:** 5,366 hours (of which 125 hours were on type)  
 Last 90 days - 9 hours  
 Last 28 days - 5 hours  
**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

During the joining procedure to Compton Abbas Airfield, the wind was reported as southerly between 6 and 8 kt. As the pilot joined downwind for Runway 08, he noted that the windsock and local smoke confirmed this wind report. Following a normal powered approach the pilot made a mainwheel landing and then held the right wing down into wind. Initially the landing roll was uneventful but, as the pilot moved the control column forward to hold the tail off the ground, the right wing started to lift and the aircraft began to swing to the left. The pilot was unable to correct this swing and, at a speed of 25 to 30 kt, he applied full power for a go-around. At 40 kt, the aircraft lifted off in a normal attitude but off runway heading to the left. Shortly afterwards the right main landing gear struck an isolated trunk which was in a hedge to the left of and parallel to the runway. The aircraft pitched down and rotated to the right through 180° before coming to rest. The pilot reported that a severe gust or thermal on the landing roll precipitated a go-around and the aircraft subsequently failed to clear the boundary fence.