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Aircraft Type and Registration: Piper L18C (Modified) Super Cub, G-CUBB

1 Lycoming O-360-C2A piston engine No & Type of Engines:

1953 Year of Manufacture:

2 May 1995 at 1420 hrs Date & Time (UTC):

Bidford Airfield, Warwickshire Location:

Private Type of Flight:

Crew - 1 Passengers - 1 hamos and and amount Persons on Board:

Passengers - None Crew - None Injuries:

Extensive to rear fuselage and empennage; lesser damage Nature of Damage:

to port wing outboard section and aileron

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age:

Commander's Flying Experience: 67 hours (of which 11 were on type)

Last 90 days - 18 hours Last 28 days - 9 hours

Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot Information Source:

63 years

Having completed all the checks, full power was applied for takeoff. A noticeable tendency for the aircraft to turn to the right was not corrected sufficiently or early enough to prevent the aircraft groundlooping at about 30 mph. The rear of the aircraft swung around and hit the corner of a glider trailer. Although the pilot had over 400 gliding hours, he was inexperienced on type and considered that he might have applied brake instead of rudder to correct the swing.