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**Aircraft Type
and Registration:**

Morane Saulnier MS.894A, G-BKBF

No & Type of Engines:

1 Franklin 6A-350-C1 piston engine

Year of Manufacture:

1970

Date and Time (UTC):

14 January 1990 at 1610 hrs

Location:

Bromyard Strip, Herefordshire

Type of Flight:

Private (pleasure)

Persons on Board:

Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries:

Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage:

Substantial to nose landing gear and propeller

Commander's Licence:

Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age:

57 years

**Commander's Total
Flying Experience:**

160 hours (of which 4 were on type)

Information Source:

Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot made a standard approach to land in a field which was 300 yards long. The approach was obstructed by a hedge and the wind was reported as calm. The aircraft made a firm touch-down and after a ground roll of 60 yards, the nose landing gear collapsed. The aircraft then continued in a straight line for a further 40 yards before coming to rest at which point the uninjured pilot evacuated the aircraft without difficulty. The pilot attributes the cause of the accident to his decision to use a standard approach rather than the short-field approach that he had used previously when landing at the field.