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Aircraft Type and Registration: Cessna 337C Super Skymaster, G-BARD

No & Type of Engines: 2 Continental IO-360-C piston engines

Year of Manufacture: 1968

Date & Time (UTC): 12 June 1994 at 1832 hrs

Location: North Cotes Airfield, South Humberside

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - 3

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Left tail boom impacted from below; left rudder jammed; nosewheel and oleo leg separated and left wingtip damaged

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence with Night Rating

Commander's Age: 53 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 131 hours (of which 28 were on type)
Last 90 days - 28 hours
Last 28 days - 11 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The wind at North Cotes was light and variable and, as the aircraft was landing on Runway 06, the left tail boom struck the runway causing the rudder to jam. The aircraft then swung off the runway and, whilst turning to avoid a fence at the far end of the airfield, the nose landing gear broke, causing the front propeller to strike the ground.

There was no fire and the pilot and passengers evacuated the aircraft through the normal door.