

No. 9/83

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Aircraft type and registration:	Grumman AA5B G--BHZN (Light single engine fixed wing aircraft)	
Year of Manufacture:	1979	
Date and time (GMT):	31 May 1983 at 1020 hrs	
Location:	Gloucester/Cheltenham (Staverton) Aerodrome	
Type of Flight:	Training	
Persons on board:	Crew — One	Passengers — Nil
Injuries:	Crew — Nil	Passengers — N/A
Nature of damage:	Damaged propeller and nose gear	
Commanders Licence:	Student Pilot	
Commanders Age:	26 years	
Commanders total experience:	40 hours (of which 22 hours were on type)	

The student pilot was engaged on a cross-country flight from Halfpenny Green to Staverton. On arrival at Staverton, using runway 27, in light wind conditions, he turned too soon from the downwind leg and found himself high on finals. The pilot considered that he could still make a successful approach, but touched down well up the runway, initially on the main wheels. The aircraft then began to bounce and porpoise, causing the nose undercarriage leg to collapse, with consequent damage to the propeller.