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Aircraft type and registration:	Cessna FA 152 (light single-engined fixed wing aircraft) G-BHEN	
Year of manufacture:	1980	
Date and time (GMT):	28 July 1983 at 1355 hrs	
Location:	Leicester Airport	
Type of flight:	Private (training)	
Persons on board:	Crew – 1	Passengers – Nil
Injuries:	Crew – Nil	Passengers – N/A
Nature of damage:	Nosewheel assembly collapsed; damage to propeller, and engine cowlings. Engine shock-loaded	
Commander's Licence:	Student Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	17 years	
Commander's total flying experience:	9 hours (all on type)	

The pilot was flying his first solo. Having flown a normal approach, he flared late and the aircraft bounced twice. The second touch-down was in a nose-down attitude, and on the third touch-down the nosewheel collapsed.