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## SOUTH AFRICAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY

## ACCIDENT REPORT – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Date of Accident	12 May 2001	Time of Accident		1015Z				
Aircraft Registration	ZS-WPX	Type of Aircraft		KR2				
Pilot-in-command License Type		Private		License Valid	Yes			
Pilot-in-command Flying Experience		Total Flying Hours	263	Total Past 90 Days Total on Type Past 90 Days Total Hours on Type	11 11 Unknown			
Type of Operation		Private						
Last point of departure		FARS (Robertson)						
Next point of intended landing		FASH (Stellenbosch)						
Location of the accident site with reference to easily defined geographical points (plus GPS readings if possible)								
FASH (Stellenbosch)								

Meteorological Information (Supplied by the P.I.C.)	Wind Light North-East, Good Visibility and the Temperature at +23°C.					
Number of people on board	1+0	No. of people injured	0	No. of people killed	0	
Synopsis						

On 12 May 2001, at approximately 1015Z, after a private flight from FARS (Robertson), the pilot landed at FASH (Stellenbosch). Just before touch-down a gust of wind from the right moved the aircraft to the left, causing the left main undercarriage to contact the runway surface first.

The latter caused the left main undercarriage to depart the aircraft and the left wing tip dislodged one of the runway lights.

The pilot was not injured, but the aircraft sustained substantial damage during the accident.

The pilot was the holder of a valid license and the aircraft type was endorsed into his logbook. He also held a valid, restricted (corrective lenses), medical certificate, which lapsed on 31 May 2001.

According to available information the aircraft was correctly maintained and had flown a total of 19.7 Hrs since the last annual inspection.

## **Probable Cause**

A gust of wind caused the aircraft to drift to the left during the landing resulting in landing gear failure.