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Aircraft Type and Registration: Piper PA-20-135, G-BFAO

No & Type of Engines: 1 Lycoming O-290-D2 piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 1952

Date and Time (UTC): 28 May 1988 at 1306 hrs

Location: Lydd Airport, Kent

Type of Flight: Private (pleasure)

Persons on Board: Crew - 2 Passengers - 1

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Damage to right landing gear and right wing

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 43 years

Commander's Total Flying Experience: 248 hours (of which 165 were on type)

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft landed on runway 22 in a wind of 180°/8-10 kts. During the roll-out from a normal three-point landing the pilot felt the left wing rise in the crosswind. The aircraft then began to ground-loop to the left, causing the right landing gear to fail. The occupants all wore full safety harnesses and were uninjured.