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Aircraft Type and Registration:	Taylor Monoplane, G-WARD	
No & Type of Engines:	1 Volkswagen 1834 piston engine	
Year of Manufacture:	1988	
Date & Time (UTC):	26 November 1995 at 1510 hrs	
Location:	Thruxton Airfield, Andover, Hampshire	
Type of Flight:	Private	
Persons on Board:	Crew - 1	Passengers - None
Injuries:	Crew - None	Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage:	Damage to right wing structure and left main landing gear	
Commander's Licence:	Private Pilot's Licence	
Commander's Age:	36 years	
Commander's Flying Experience:	130 hours (of which 8 were on type) Last 90 days - 11 hours Last 28 days - 4 hours	
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot	

The pilot was practising crosswind landings on grass Runway 25; he estimated the crosswind component to be 8 kt. He reported that, on final approach, the wind was 270°/10 kt but became 180°/14 kt in the flare. The aircraft banked sharply to the right and the pilot decided to go-around; he selected full power and applied left aileron and rudder in an attempt to level the wings. It continued to move to the right, crossed the parallel paved runway and ended up over a ploughed field to the north of the runway, about 10 feet agl heading almost into wind. The pilot then closed the throttle and the aircraft settled firmly onto the ground left gear first; it came rapidly to a halt. The pilot was uninjured and taxied the aircraft back to the hangar.