

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198803498**

Astir CS Glider

5 October 1988

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Occurrence Number: 198803498
Location: Gympie QLD
Date: 5 October 1988
Highest Injury Level: Nil
Injuries:

Occurrence Type: Accident

Time: 1200

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	1	1
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	1

Aircraft Details: Astir CS Glider
Registration: VH-WQH
Serial Number: 1410
Operation Type: Private
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Gympie QLD
Departure Time: N/A
Destination: Gympie QLD

Approved for Release: 3 February 1989

Circumstances:

Conditions were reported to be very hot with considerable turbulence on the approach to land. On short final the pilot twice had to lower the nose and reduce airbrake. After a larger than normal control movement on roundout the tailwheel touched first, throwing the glider on to the mainwheel which collapsed. Notification of this accident was not received until 16 November 1988 and no on-site investigation was carried out.

Significant Factors:

The following factors were considered relevant to the development of the accident

1. Turbulence/windshear during the approach to land.
2. Improper landing flare.
4. Heavy landing.