

Aviation Safety Investigation Report 198800699

Libelle H201

24 January 1988

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Occurrence Number: 198800699

Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: 5 km NE of Kalangadoo SA

Date: 24 January 1988

Time: 1515

Highest Injury Level: Nil

Injuries:

	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: Libelle H201

Registration: VH-GSQ

Serial Number: 138

Operation Type: Private (Gliding)

Damage Level: Substantial

Departure Point: Millicent SA

Departure Time: N/K

Destination: Millicent SA

Approved for Release: 2 May 1988

Circumstances:

The pilot was undertaking a cross-country flight, when a lack of thermal activity made an outlanding necessary. An open field was selected which appeared to the pilot to be covered with stubble. A normal approach was flown, but during the landing flare the right wing struck thistles which were about one metre high. The glider swung to the right and the fuselage was broken during the resulting ground loop. The accident was not the subject of an on-site investigation.