ACCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration: Rotorsport UK Calidus, G-CGJD

No & Type of Engines: 1 Rotax 914-UL piston engine

Year of Manufacture: 2010 (Serial no: RSUK/CALS/004)

Date & Time (UTC): 23 January 2013 at 1510 hrs

Location: Kirkbride Airfield, Cumbria

Type of Flight: Private

Persons on Board: Crew - 1 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Damage to rotor, propeller, canopy and tail surfaces

Commander's Licence: Private Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 42 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 151 hours (of which 66 were on type)

Last 90 days - 0 hours Last 28 days - 0 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The pilot was landing the gyroplane on Runway 10 at Kirkbride Airfield, in fine weather and light wind conditions. He executed the flare slightly early, causing the gyroplane to enter an extended float just above the

runway. It then dropped to the surface, bounced and rolled over to the right. Although the gyroplane was damaged, the pilot suffered only light bruising.

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