

Follow-up Action on Occurrence Report

ACCIDENT TO EUROPA, G-PTAG, AT WICKENBY, LINGS ON 27 MAY 2006

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SYNOPSIS

From AAIB Report:

After a normal touchdown, on both main wheels followed by the nosewheel, the nosewheel shimmied and departed the aircraft, together with the nosewheel fork. The lower cowl, propeller, nose gear leg, nose gear mount and main gear fairings were all subsequently damaged. The pilot and the passenger were uninjured.

A scroll pin which retained the nosewheel fork assembly had failed, although the precise cause of this failure could not be determined. One recommendation is made.

FOLLOW UP ACTION

The one Safety Recommendation made by the AAIB following their investigation is reproduced below together with the CAA's response.

Recommendation 2006-146

It is recommended that Europa Aircraft Limited review the design, manufacture and maintenance of the nose gear fork assembly of the tri-gear Europa to improve the integrity of the nosewheel fork attachment.

CAA Response

This Recommendation is not addressed to the CAA.

CAA Status - Closed