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Contact: Hudson Fahnestock, accident co-pilot

On June 4, 2021 at 0954 mountain daylight time, a Cessna 560XL airplane, N615RG, was substantially damaged when it was involved in an accident at Aspen-Pitkin County Airport (ASE), Aspen, Colorado. The pilot, co-pilot, and three passengers were uninjured. The airplane was operated as a Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations Part 91 personal flight.

In a phone interview with Mr. Fahnestock, he stated that the approach and landing were normal until after they touched down and deployed the speed brakes. The airplane leaned to the right and the right wing dropped down, then scraped the runway. He remembered that they had three green lights for a safe gear indication during the approach and landing. The landing gear horn went off during the event. He doesn't not recall touching the landing gear handle after the accident.

End of interview summary.

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Josh, here is the report. To answer your questions:

1. Maki - left seat
2. Fahnestock - right seat
3. Fahnestock - gear handle
4. Nose wheel steering is attached to the rudder (no tiller) and only utilized to keep the aircraft on the centerline. After the gear failed, the left pedal pressure was increased in an attempt to keep the aircraft on the runway.