

Man almost loses foot, crawls for help

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A 66-YEAR-old man was reportedly forced to crawl back to his home at a Biggenden property after his foot was almost amputated in an accident.

The man was working on a vehicle on his property on Saturday morning when it rolled and he his foot became caught between the vehicle and a post.

After freeing himself the man crawled back inside the house

to contact family who called emergency services.

An ambulance arrived to provide first aid and the RACQ Capricorn Rescue Helicopter was called in after being diverted from a traffic accident about 70km south of Miriam Vale.

The helicopter landed at a nearby sporting field and rendezvoused with the ambulance, before transporting the man to Royal Brisbane Hospital.

Pilot Mike Dekker said while he wasn't sure how far the man

had to crawl to reach his house, any distance would have seemed long with the injury.

"Given that his foot was only just on, it was a significant distance," he said.

He said the man had remained in good spirits.

"As you would imagine he was in extreme pain but he was given painkillers by our paramedic. He was a tough old gentleman."

He said there were some signs the man's foot could be saved.