



RECORD OF INTERVIEW

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Person Interviewed: Luke McClanahan - Pilot
NTSB Case Number: ERA20LA185

Narrative:

Mr. Luke McClanahan was interviewed by telephone.

Luke stated that he was in the pattern at Fayetteville Municipal airport performing touch and go's. on his third landing, he stated there was a good crosswind from his left, so he landed on the left main wheel first and then touched down on the right main landing gear. The airplane started to veer to the left so he applied right rudder and then the airplane started to veer to the right and he noticed a drop off on the right side of the runway so he applied hard left rudder to purposely put the airplane in a left ground loop so he did not hit the ditch. The airplane ground looped to the right and the right main landing gear collapsed under the fuselage.

The pilot stated he does not know if the ground loop caused the landing gear to collapse or if a hard landing may have cracked the gear and then caused a tow out condition to make the airplane veer off the runway.

He stated there were no other mechanical deficiencies with the airplane.