NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

This form to be used for reporting civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

BASI	C INFORMA	TION											
Accider	nt/Incident Loc	ation					Accident/Incident Date/Time						
	City/Place: Quin				_ State: <u>T</u>	<u>X</u>	Date	e: <u>06/</u> 1		Lo	cal Time: _	07:45p	
ZIP: <u>75</u>	474 (Country: US						mm/do	d/yyyy	т:.	me Zone:	Control	
Latitude:	32.95		Longitude: 96.1	0						111	ille Zolle	Dential	
(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)						Col	llision with	Other Air	craft: C) Midair	OOn-groun	d O None	
AIRCE	RAFT INFO	RMATIO	N										
Registr	ation Number:	N324SB						☐ IFR-Equip					
Manufa	cturer: BRYN	IER SHELD	OON E				_	□ Commerci □ Unmanned		gnt			
Model:	Just Highland	er					Ma	aximum Gr	oss Weigh	t: 1320		lbs	
Serial N	Sumber: JAES	SC0158						eight at Tin	_				_ lbs
Year of	Manufacture:	2008					Nu	ımber of Se	ats: 2		Flight Cre	ew Seats: 1	
Amateu	ır-Built: •Yes	If Yes: (Kit/Plans Mal	ke: Just Hi	ghlander	,		bin Crew Seat					
	ONo	(Original Design				Nu	ımber of En	igines: 1				
_	ry of Aircraft		irworthiness Ce	rtificate		Landing Ge				_	Type (Se		
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			Engine		Manufa	acturer's		Date of Mfg.	Rated Pow • Horsep	ower or	Total Time	Time Inspection	
Engine	Engine Manufa	cturer	Model/Series		Serial N	Number		mm/dd/yyyy	O lbs of	Γhrust	(hours)	(hours)	(hours)
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Eng. 2													
Eng. 4													
Last In	spection Type			Propell	er 1	●Fixed P					2. 1		
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O Annua				Model: _	odel: Model:								
Date La	ast Inspection:	mm/dd/yy		ELT In	stalled:	⊙ Yes ○	No				ipment (Check all that	t apply)
Airfran	ne Total Time:			If Yes:					□ AD	S-B Frame Para	chute		
	rs measured at (S			ELT Ma	nufactur . Part No	er: .:			Ang	le of Atta	ck Indicato	r	
OLast Inspection OTime of Accident/Incident						 (121.5 MHz) C			Z) Aut	opilot a Recorde:	r		
Type of Maintenance Program (Select one)					O C126	(406 MHz)			□Elec	etronic Fli	ght Bag or	Handheld De	vice
O Annual O Conditional (Amateur-built only)						unted in aircra			—		ıltifunction mary Fligh		
O Manufacturer's Inspection Program						nected to anter		Yes ONC	☐Han	dheld GPS	S	СБІБРІЦУ	
O Other Approved Inspection Program (AAIP) O Continuous Airworthiness				If active	ited:			☐ Heads Up Display ☐ Onboard Weather					
O Other	, specify:					ocating Aircra	ft: (9 Yes O No	□Sate	ellite Track	king Device	e	
	otion of Fire Ex	tinguishing	System		tivated:	Пт				l Warning eo Record	System ing Device		
O None O Spec				Indicate	REASON:	☐ Impact Dar ☐ Fire Damas		;		er, Specify			
-						☐ Battery Ex		l/Damaged					
						□Unknown							

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION							
Registered Aircraft Owner		City:					
Name: BRISTER LANNY DEAN		_					
Fractional Ownership Aircraft: O Yes O	No	Country: US					
Operator of Aircraft ☐ Same As Re	gistered Owner	☐ Same Address as Registered Owner					
Name: Bobby Hughes		_ City:					
Doing Business As:		ZIP:					
Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character	er Code):	Country: US					
Operating Certificates Held (Check all that apply)	Regulation Flight Conducted Un	der Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135 (Select one for each group)					
☐ None ☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (FAR 121) ☐ Supplemental ☐ Air Cargo ☐ Foreign Air Carriers (FAR 129) ☐ Rotorcraft External Load (FAR 133) ☐ Commuter Air Carrier (FAR 135)	OFAR 91 OFAR 129 OFAR OFAR 103 OFAR 133 OFAR OFAR 121 OFAR 135 OFAR OFAR 125 OFAR 137 OFAR OFAR 91 Special Flight O Non-US, Commercial	431 O Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi O International					
□ On-Demand Air Taxi (FAR 135) □ Commercial Air Tour (FAR 136) □ Agricultural Aircraft (FAR 137) □ Pilot School (FAR 141) □ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA) □ Commercial Space Transportation □ Experimental Permit □ Commercial Space Transportation License □ Other Operator of Large Aircraft	O Non-US, Non-commercial O Public Aircraft (Select one) O Armed Forces O Federal O State O Local O Unknown	Purpose of Flight for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137 (Select one) O Aerial Application O Aerial Observation O Air Drop O Air Race/Show O Banner Tow O Business O Executive/Corporate O Air Drop O Other Work Use O Personal O Positioning					
Revenue Sightseeing Flight	Air Medical Flight	O External Load O Skydiving					
O Yes ● No	O Yes O No	3 -111)					
AIRPORT INFORMATION (Fill in	if accident/incident occurred on app	proach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)					
Airport Name: Rockin M		Distance From Airport Center: <u>.5</u> sm					
Airport Identifier: T14		Direction From Airport: 001 degrees true					
Proximity to Airport: Off Airport/Airstri	p OOn Airport/Airstrip ON/A	Airport Elevation: 473 ft. msl					
Runway Information		Condition of Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)					
Runway ID: 36	pply) idam □ Water I/Wood □	☑ Dry ☐ Snow-Compacted ☐ Water-Calm ☐ Holes ☐ Snow-Crusted ☐ Water-Choppy ☐ Ice Covered ☐ Snow-Dry ☐ Water-Glassy ☐ Rough ☐ Snow-Wet ☐ Wet ☐ Rubber Deposits ☐ Soft ☐ Slush-Covered ☐ Vegetation ☐ Unknown					
Approach/Departure Segment (Select one,)						
OTaxi OVFR Departure OTakeoff OIFR Departure Proc OInitial Climb	OOn Instrument Ap edure/Clearance OLanding	proach ODownwind OLow Approach OBase OGo Around OFinal OAborted Landing (after touchdown) OCrosswind OUnknown					
IFR Approach (Check all that apply) ☑ None		VFR Approach (Check all that apply) □None					
□ADF/NDB □PAR □SDF □Sidestep □VOR/TVOR □ILS □VOR/DME □Localizer Only □TACAN □LOC-back course □RNAV	□MLS □Practice □LDA □GPS □ASR □Visual □Contact □Circling □Unknown	☐ Traffic Pattern ☐ Stop and Go ☐ Straight-In ☐ Touch and Go ☐ Valley/Terrain Following ☐ Simulated Forced Landing ☐ Go Around ☐ Forced Landing ☐ Full Stop ☐ Precautionary Landing ☐ Unknown					

"FLIGHT CREWMEME	BER 1" INF	ORMATIC	ON							
"Flight Crewmember 1" Resp	ponsibilities at O Student Pilot	the Time of O Flight I		cident OCheck Pilot	O Fligh	t Engineer	O Other I	Flight Crew		
"Flight Crewmember 1" was	pilot flying	✓Yes □ N	No							
"Flight Crewmember 1" Iden	ntification									
First Name: John					City of Re	sidence: _				
Middle Initial: M					State: _			ZIP: _		
Last Name: Hardin					Country:	US				
Age at time of A	Accident/Incide	nt: <u>32</u>	_ Date of E	Birth:		m	m/dd/yyyy			
		C	ertificate Nun	nber:						
Degree of Injury	Seat Occupi	ied		Re	estraint Ty	pe]	Inflatable R	Restraints
O None O Fatal O Minor O Unknown O Serious	O Left O Right O Center	O Front O Rear O Single	O Unkno	wn	Available O None O Lap or		Used O None O Lap onl	y	✓ Not Inst	
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all t	that apply)				O 3-poir	ıt	O ³ -point		☐ Not Dep	oloyed
□ None □ Flight Ins □ Private □ Recreation □ Student □ Sport	onal 🗖	Commercial Airline Transp Flight Enginee			• 4-poir • 5-poir • Unkno	ıt	• 4-point • 5-point • Unknov	vn	☐ Deploye	
Principal Occupation M	edical Certific	ate		M	edical Cer	tificate Va	lidity		Date of Las	t Medical
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Medical Certificate Limitatio	ons							-		
Must Wear Corrective Lenses										
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Medical Certificate Special Is	ssuance									
Date of Last Flight Review		Fligh	t Review Air	eraft						
or Equivalent, Including		_	Grumman							
FAR 121/135 Checks:	10/17/2018 mm/dd/yyyy		ı: Widgeon (G-44						
Airplane Rating(s)	Other Aircraf			ent Rating	(s)	Instructo	r Rating(s)			
(Check all that apply)	(Check all that a			ll that apply)	(9)	(Check all				
☐ None☑ Single-Engine Land	✓ None		None			None	6: 1 5		Instrument A	
_ & &	☐ Airship ☐ Balloon		✓ Airpla ☐ Helico				e Single-Engi e Multi-Engi		Instrument l Helicopter	Helicopter
	Glider		Power			☐ Gyropla	ine		Glider	
	☐ Gyroplane ☐ Helicopter					☐ Powere	d Lift	_	Sport	
	☐ Powered Lift									
Type Ratings						Student E	Endorsemer	nts (Include d	dates)	
Flight Time (Enter appropriate	All	This Make	Airplane Single	Airplane	,	Inst	rument	-		Lighter
number of hours in each box)	Aircraft	& Model	Engine	Multiengin	Night	Actual	Simulated	Rotorcraft	Glider	Than Air
Total Time	10,921	19	8,290	2,62			67	8	0	0
Pilot in Command (PIC)	10,045	19	9,895	2,48	_		64	0	0	0
Time as Instructor	5,985	5	4,785	1,20			5	0	0	0
This Make/Model	299	19	203	9	6 16		0	0	0	0
Last 90 Days Last 30 Days	127	13	75	5			0	0	0	
Last 24 Hours	6	3	6	1) (_	0	0	0	

"FLIGHT CREWMEMB	ER 2" INFOR	MATION	N								
"Flight Crewmember 2" Respo		Time of A OFlight Inst		ident Check Pi	lot O	Fligh	nt Engineer	OOther F	light Crew		
"Flight Crewmember 2" was p	pilot flying Y	es \square N	О								
"Flight Crewmember 2" Ident	tification										
First Name:					City of	Resi	idence:				
Middle Initial:									P:		
Last Name:											
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Degree of Injury	Seat Occupied				Restrair	ıt Ty	/pe		I	nflatable R	estraints
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		Single				ap or		O Lap only		☐ Installed	
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all the None ☐ Flight Inst		iol	☐ US Mi	litomy		8-poin I-poin		O 3-point O 4-point		☐ Not Dep ☐ Deploye	
☐ Private ☐ Recreation		e Transport			05	5-poin	nt	O 5-point		Unknow	
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Principal Occupation Me	edical Certificate				Medical	Cer	tificate Val	idity	I	Date of Last	t Medical
	None O Clas	ıs 3					nitations/waiv	-	nknown	or Eus	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
O Other	Class 1 O Driv	er's License	e (Sport Pilot	only)	O With 1	imitat	tions/waivers			/11/	
	Class 2 O Unk	nown			O Specia	ıl Issu	iance			mm/dd/yy	yy
Medical Certificate Limitation	ns										
Medical Certificate Special Iss	suance										
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Date of Last Flight Review		Flight P	Review Airc	raft							
or Equivalent, Including		_									
FAR 121/135 Checks:	/11/	Model:									
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☐ Single-Engine Land	☐ Airship		☐ Airplaı				☐ Airplane		e 🗖 1	Instrument He	elicopter
	□ Balloon □ Glider		☐ Helico	1		☐ Airplane Multi-Engine ☐ Helicopter ☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider					
☐ Multiengine Sea	Gyroplane			cu Em			Powered			Sport	
	☐ Helicopter ☐ Powered Lift										
Type Ratings Student Endorsements (Include dates)											
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Flight Time (Enter appropriate		s Make	Airplane Single	Airpla			Instr	ument			Lighter
number of hours in each box)	Aircraft &	Model	Engine	Multien	gine N	light	Actual	Simulated	Rotorcraft	Glider	Than Air
Total Time											
Pilot in Command (PIC)											
Time as Instructor											
Time as Instructor This Make/Model											
Time as Instructor											

ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information)									
Crew Name and Addre	ess						Seat Occupie	d	Injury
First Name: Middle Initial: Last Name:		State: ZIP:				O Left O Center O Right	O Front O Rear O Single O Unknown	O None O Minor O Serious O Fatal O Unknown	
Pilot Certificate(s) (Ch	☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Recreational ☐ Sport	□ Airli □ Fligh	nmercial ine Transp ht Enginee Total Fl	ort			Restraint Tyl Available O None O Lap Only O 3-point O 4-point O 5-point	Used O None O Lap Only O 3-point O 4-point O 5-point	Inflatable Restraints Not Installed Installed Not Deployed Deployed Unknown
Accident/Incident Airo	craft?	□ No	of this A	Accident/Inci	ident:	hrs	O Unknown	O Unknown	
Crew Name and Addr							Seat Occupie	Injury	
First Name: Middle Initial: Last Name:		State	:	2	ZIP:		OLeft OCenter ORight	O Front O Rear O Single O Unknown	O None O Minor O Serious O Fatal O Unknown
Pilot Certificate(s) (Ch	☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Recreational ☐ Sport	☐ Airli ☐ Fligh	imercial ine Transp ht Enginee	ort			Restraint Tyj Available O None O Lap Only O 3-point O 4-point	Vsed O None O Lap Only O 3-point O 4-point	Inflatable Restraints Not Installed Installed Not Deployed
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident:hrs					O 5-point O Unknown	O 5-point O Unknown	☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown		
PASSENGER(S) / (OTHER PERSOI	NNEL (II	nclude c	abin crew; c	ontinue on s	eparate shee	t if necessary)		
Name and Address				Seat	Injury	Restraint T		Inflatable Restraints	Age
First Name: Brent Middle Initial: Last Name: Henneman OCrew	State: Tx Z	ZIP: <u>75474</u>		OLeft OCenter ORight OUnknown Row:	None O Minor O Serious O Fatal O Unknown	Available ONone OLap Only O3-point O4-point O5-point OUnknown	O 3-point O 4-point O 5-point	✓ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If Under 5, O Child Restraint O Lap-Held O Unknown
First Name: Middle Initial: Last Name: OCrew	State: 2	ZIP:		OLeft OCenter ORight OUnknown Row:	O None O Minor O Serious O Fatal O Unknown	Available ONone OLap Only O3-point O4-point O5-point OUnknown	O 3-point O 4-point O 5-point	□ Not Installed □ Installed □ Not Deployed □ Deployed □ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years
First Name: Middle Initial: Last Name: OCrew	State: 2	ZIP:		OLeft OCenter ORight OUnknown Row:	O None O Minor O Serious O Fatal O Unknown	Available O None O Lap Only O 3-point O 4-point O 5-point O Unknown	O 3-point O 4-point O 5-point	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	□Under 5 years
First Name: Middle Initial: Last Name:	State: 2	ZIP:		OLeft OCenter ORight OUnknown Row:	O None O Minor O Serious O Fatal O Unknown	Available ONone OLap Only O3-point O4-point O5-point OUnknown	O 3-point O 4-point O 5-point	Not Installed Installed Not Deployed Deployed Unknown	☐ Under 5 years

FLIGHT ITINERARY	/ INFORMATIO	N					
Last Departure Point	Tir	me of Departure	Destination	on		Type Fligh	nt Plan Filed
Airport ID: KTRL		06:005	Airport ID:	T14		None	O VFR/IFR
City: Terrell		ne: <u>06:00p</u>	City: Quir	nlan		O Company O Military	
State: Tx	Tin	ne Zone: Central	State: Tx			O VFR	VI R Onknown
Country: US			Country: L	JS		Activated?	OYes ONo OUnknown
Type of ATC Clearance/S	ervice (Check all tha	at apply)	I				
. —	☐ Special VFR ☐ IFR		ecial IFR R On Top		☐ VFR Flight Follo☐ Traffic Advisory		☐ Cruise ☐ Unknown / NA
Airspace where the accide			* * * /				Altitude of In-Flight
☐ Class A ☐ Class B	☑ Class G ☑ Demo Area	_	itary Operations port Advisory A	\ /	☐ Special ☐ Air Traffic Contr	ol Area	Occurrence:
Class C	☐Warning Area	☐ Jet	Training Area	100	Unknown	orrica	40 ft msl
☐ Class D☐ Class E	☐ Prohibited Area☐ Restricted Area	☐ TR:					
				IT CITE			
WEATHER INFORM		E ACCIDEN	I/INCIDEN	ı		<u> </u>	
Source of Pilot Weather I (Check all that apply)	ntormation				servation Facility		
☐ National Weather Service	☐ Co	mpany		Facility ID: K			
Flight Service Station	□ Mi			Observation Ti			
☑ TV/Radio☑ Automated Report	☑ Int □ No			Time Zone: C			
Commercial Weather Servi	known			Accident Site: 17			
On-Board Weather		T. L. C. 111	,	Direction from	Accident Site: 030		degrees true
Basic Conditions OVMC		Light Conditi	ODusk	O Dark	Night OI In	known	
OIMC		⊙ Day	ONight		nt Night	KIIOWII	
O Unknown							
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condi		Ceiling			Temperature:	32	(C) or <u>89</u> (F)
◆ Clear◆ Few	O Thin Broken O Thin Overcast	O None (Clear) O Broken		Obscured Indefinite	Dew Point: _2	00 ((C) or 64 (F)
O Partial Obscuration	O Unknown	O Overcast		Unknown			
O Scattered					Altimeter Sett	or	
Lowest Cloud Condition	-	Ceiling Heigh	t			01	ND
	ft agl			ft agl			
Wind Direction	Wind Speed		Wind Gusts	}	Visibility		miles
✓ Variable	☐ Calm		☐ Not Gustin	ng	DVD	·	
	☑ Light and Var	riable	_				
-or-	-or- ne Speed:	kts	-or- Speed:	kts		:	
Direction:degrees tru	1		1	KtS	Density Altitud		ft
Intensity of Precipitation		itation (Check all t □ Drizzle	11.	- D-i	None		Check all that apply) Fog
O Light O Moderate	☑ None □ Rain	☐ Drizzle☐ Ice Pellets	☐ Freezin☐ Snow S		☐ Blowing Du		Ground Fog
OHeavy	\square Snow	Snow Pellet	s 🗖 Ice Pell	ets Shower	☐ Blowing San		Haze
O N/A O Unknown	☐ Hail ☐ Rain Showers	☐ Snow Grain☐ Ice Crystals		ig Drizzle	☐ Blowing Sn☐ Blowing Sp		Ice Fog Smoke
Conknown	- Ram Showers	- ice crystais			Dust		Unknown
Icing Forecast		Icing Actual			Turbulence		
Amount Type None O N/A		Amount None	Type O N/A		Type (Check a. ✓ None	ll that apply)	Severity □Light
O Trace O Rime	;	O Trace	O Rime)	Clear Air		☐ Moderate
O Light O Clear	-	O Light	O Clear		☐ Terrain-Indu		Severe
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O Unknown	lowii	O Unknown	•				
NOTAMs (D and FDC)	. AIRMETs. SIG	METs. PIREP	s in effect at	the time of th	ne accident/incid	dent:	
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Aircraft Damage O None O Substantial O Minor O Destroyed O Unknown O Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property (Use additional sheet if necessary) Aircraft Explosion O None O Both Ground and In-Flight O In-Flight O In-Flight O On-Ground O Unknown O Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property (Use additional sheet if necessary) Right wing impacted a tree, and bent the wing back towards the fuselage. Fabric torn in several places.	DAMAGE	TO AIRCRAFT AI	ND OTHER PRO	PERTY		
O Minor O Destroyed O In-Flight O Fire at Unknown Time O In-Flight O On-Ground O Unknown O On-Ground O Unknown Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property (Use additional sheet if necessary)	Aircraft Dam	age	Aircraft Fire			O Both Ground and In-Flight
		O Destroyed	O In-Flight	O Fire at Unknown Time	O In-Flight	O Explosion at Unknown Time
Right wing impacted a tree, and bent the wing back towards the fuselage. Fabric torn in several places.	Description o	f Damage to Aircraft a	nd Other Property (Use additional sheet if necessary)		
	Right wing im	pacted a tree, and be	nt the wing back tow	vards the fuselage. Fabric torn in	several places.	
NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT (Please type or print in ink) Describe what occurred in chronological order, including circumstances leading to and nature of accident/incident. Describe terrain and include					ure of accident/incide	ent. Describe terrain and include
wreckage distribution sketch if pertinent. Attach extra sheets if needed. State departure time and and location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.	wreckage dist	ribution sketch if pertine	ent. Attach extra sheet			
See Attachment.	See Attachm	ent.				

RECOMMENDATION (How	could this accident/inci	ident have been prev	vented?)		
Operator/Owner Safety Recomm	nendation				
MECHANICAL MALFUI	NCTION/FAILURE	(If more space is no	eeded continue on sena	rate sheet)	
Was there Mechanical Malfund		-	oucu, commuc on sopu	indic officery	Total Time/Cycles
(If yes, list the name of the part, man			re.)		On Part
I assume something malfunc	tioned with the engine	but after speaking v	with one FAA inspector	a few	Hours
mechanics, and pilots familia	r with rotax. I'd guess t	he Gear box may h	ave malfunctioned and	the propeller	
wasn't making rpm, due to th	e composite propeller b	eing intact after co	ming to rest in the trees	S.	Cycles
					Time Since This Part
					Inspected/Overhauled
					Hours
FUEL & SERVICES INF	ORMATION				
Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff	ı				
(Convert from pounds, as necessary)	O 80/87	O 115/145	O Jet B	O Other, specify	
_17	Gallons 0 100 Low 0 100/130	Lead O Jet A O Jet A-1	O JP8 O Automotive		
Other Services, if Any, Prior to	9	0 00011	<u> </u>		
	 				
EVACUATION OF AIRC	RAFT				
Was an emergency evacuation	of the aircraft performe	ed?	□ No		
Method of Exit – Describe how	the occupants exited and	how many occupants	evacuated each location		
I shut off the fuel, turned off the	ne ignition, and turned o	off the electrical. Le	exited the right door. Br	ent exited the left o	loor, we met at the tail
of the plane and checked each					,
OTHER AIRCRAFT C					•••
OTHER AIRCRAFT – C			•		nage to Other Aircraft
Aircraft Registration Number					Destroyed
	Model:				Substantial None
Registered Owner of Other Air	rcraft		Pilot of Other Aircraft		
Name:			Name:		
City:ZIP:			City:State:	7ID·	
Country:			Country:	LII	

ADDITIONAL INF	ORMATIC	ON (Please type or print in ink)		
Use this space if addi	tional space	is needed for any answers.		
I HEREBY CERTIF	Y THAT TH	HE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLE	ETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF	MY KNOWLEDGE
Date of this Report	Name of 1	Pilot/Operator: John Michael Hardin		
07/11/2019		:		
mm/dd/yyyy		✓ Check here to electronically sign this c		
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John Michael Hardin



Total Flight Time: 10,924.6 Last 12 Months: 1,081.6 Last 90 days: 278.6 Make and Model 19.3 Date of accident: 06/13/19
Time of accident: approx. 07:45pm
Location of accident: T14
Phase of flight: Initial Climb

Owner recently purchased an experimental STOL taildragger for the purpose of flying to and from work from his house. He bulldozed a path in the trees at his house around 800ft long with approximately 75 foot trees on the approach and departure end.

I have been instructing the owner over the past several weeks in the aircraft with emphasis on short field t.o. and landing techniques, slow flight, stall recognition and recovery.

We flew the aircraft to a nearby grass strip where we could practice clearing 50 foot obstacles with a better margin of safety.

The owner, Bobby, and I departed Terrell (KTRL), at approximately 6:00pm on Thursday the 13th, and proceeded toward T14 (Rockin' M) where the airport owner, Brent had made marks from the beginning of the runway back to 800ft back. The tallest tree line was about another 300ft beyond the end of the runways end. After the owner made the first landing with me, he exited the aircraft to observe my take offs and landings as we are similarly built and he wanted me to make a few passes towards the trees so we could attempt to gauge how much altitude could be gained by 800ft so we would know whether or not it was possible to clear the trees at his house. I made three take offs from the 800ft mark towards the tree line, break ground approximately 150-200 ground roll and climbing near 1000ft/min with no issues. I landed to pick Bobby back up and we talked about possibly getting the landing roll shorter. As I went back to the plane Brent inquired about riding along on the next pass, Bobby agreed, and I had no reservations as Brent is lighter than Bobby and the aircraft had been performing fairly well. A typical take off with Bobby and I runs about 300-400ft so this should not have been an issue.

The aircraft became airborne approximately 400ft ground roll, I attempted to accelerate briefly in ground effect before climbing out and as I began to pitch up I noticed the aircraft felt sluggish, I was too high and fast to abort the take off without the risk of flipping the plane, so I tried to climb with a slightly lower angle of attack hoping to get the positive control the aircraft normally displays. I began to see the trees at eye level so I deployed full flaps to attempt to "pop" over the tree tops but the aircraft became even more "spongey" on the controls. I knew I couldn't continue to climb or pull without stalling in to the trees as everything else in front of me was taller than the trees I had cleared so far. So I pitched down to pick the best landing spot in the trees.

Brent and I are apparently ok, the right wing made contact with a tree and looks to be severely damaged, the left side of the aircraft appeared to be untouched; the prop looked like it had not made contact with anything as it is still intact.

I could have aborted sooner but didn't want to risk flipping the aircraft, or rolling the tires off of the rim and experience a high speed loss of control on the ground. I had expectations of the aircraft to perform the same it had on countless other occasions. Previous flights and calculations had shown the aircraft capable of the performance required.

Atmospherically, the conditions at the time had the wind at a light 90 degree cross wind. The wind may have shifted to a slight quartering tailwind which may have given me a higher ground speed and less lifting action but I feel that this should have seemed negligible as light as the wind was, versus the aircraft's normal 500ft/min climb with two people on board.

Another atmospheric effect that may have been in play is the moisture that gets released from the leaves in wooded areas towards the end of the day. The added humidity may have sapped the excess performance the aircraft is typical of producing.

Mechanically the aircraft seemed ok, I have limited experience with rotax 912 engines, but I have read that running straight 100LL fuel requires slightly more frequent oil change intervals of 25 hours, due to lead build up. I have also read that some people experience partial power loss with a buildup of heat, and my several previous max performance take offs may have got it too hot.

I was determined to maintain positive control of the aircraft when the controls became dangerously "soft", when it became apparent any further attempt to climb would result in a loss of control I instructed the passenger to brace and I ditched the aircraft in the smallest clearing of trees I could find because all of the remaining trees further ahead were much taller and denser.

Total distance from the takeoff mark to the tree line was approximately 1,100 ft, with 800ft of useable runway.

John Michael Hardin 06/16/19