

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

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

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location Nearest City/Place: <u>Park Rapids</u> State: <u>Mn.</u> ZIP: <u>56470</u> Country: <u>Hubbard</u> Latitude: <u>47:03:27.44</u> (dd:mm:ss N/S) Longitude: <u>94:55:30.43W</u> (ddd:mm:ss E/W)		Date/Time Date: <u>08/02/2010</u> Local Time: <u>1730</u> <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i> Time Zone: <u>CDT</u>	
Phase of Operation <input type="checkbox"/> Standing <input type="checkbox"/> Takeoff (incl. initial climb) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cruise <input type="checkbox"/> Hover <input type="checkbox"/> Taxi <input type="checkbox"/> Climb <input type="checkbox"/> Maneuvering <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Descent <input type="checkbox"/> Landing <input type="checkbox"/> Approach <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown		Collision with Other Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Midair <input type="checkbox"/> On-ground <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None	Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence _____ 1,500 ft MSL

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Manufacturer: <u>Kitfox</u> Model: <u>II</u> Serial Number: <u>389</u> Registration Number: <u>389HW</u> Amateur-built: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Max Gross Weight: _____ <u>950</u> lbs Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: _____ <u>870</u> lbs Location of Center of Gravity at Time of Accident/Incident: _____ <u>10.45</u> inches from <input type="checkbox"/> nose or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> datum -or- _____ Percent Mean Aerodynamic Cord (% MAC)	
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Category of Aircraft <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Blimp/Dirigible <input type="checkbox"/> Glider <input type="checkbox"/> Gyrocraft <input type="checkbox"/> Helicopter <input type="checkbox"/> Powered lift <input type="checkbox"/> Ultralight <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	Type of Airworthiness Certificate <i>(Check all that apply)</i> Standard <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Utility <input type="checkbox"/> Acrobatic <input type="checkbox"/> Transport Special <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Limited <input type="checkbox"/> Provisional <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Experimental <input type="checkbox"/> Special Flight <input type="checkbox"/> Light Sport	Number of Seats: _____ <u>2</u> If Large Aircraft, how many seats for: Flight Crew: _____ Cabin Crew: _____ Passengers: _____	Landing Gear <input type="checkbox"/> Retractable Check any additional landing gear configuration that applies: <input type="checkbox"/> Tricycle <input type="checkbox"/> Tailwheel <input type="checkbox"/> Amphibian <input type="checkbox"/> High Skid <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Float <input type="checkbox"/> Skid <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Float <input type="checkbox"/> Ski <input type="checkbox"/> Hull <input type="checkbox"/> Ski/Wheel <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
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Type of Maintenance Program <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual <input type="checkbox"/> Conditional (Amateur-built only) <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturer's Inspection Program <input type="checkbox"/> Other Approved Inspection Program (AAIP) <input type="checkbox"/> Continuous Airworthiness <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify: _____	Last Inspection Type <input type="checkbox"/> 100 Hour <input type="checkbox"/> Continuous Airworthiness <input type="checkbox"/> AAIP <input type="checkbox"/> Conditional Inspection <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	Date Last Inspection: _____ <u>08/01/2010</u> <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i> Airframe Total Time: _____ <u>152</u> hrs hours measured at <i>(check one)</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Last Inspection <input type="checkbox"/> Time of Accident/Incident
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IFR Equipped <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	Stall Warning System Installed <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	Type of Fire Extinguishing System <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Specify _____
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ELT Installed ELT Activated <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	ELT Manufacturer: <u>ACK</u> Model/Series: <u>E-01</u> Serial Number: <u>062424</u> Battery Type: _____ Battery Exp. Date: <u>3/2016</u>
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Engine Type <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reciprocating <input type="checkbox"/> Turbo Jet <input type="checkbox"/> Turbo Shaft <input type="checkbox"/> Turbo Fan <input type="checkbox"/> Turbo Prop <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	Reciprocating Fuel System Type <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carburetor <input type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injected	Propeller <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fixed Pitch <input type="checkbox"/> Controllable Pitch Manufacturer: <u>Rotax</u> Model: <u>532</u>
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Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>	Engine Rated Power Measured as <i>(check one)</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Horsepower or <input type="checkbox"/> lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since Inspection (hours)	Time Since Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	Rotax	532	3761539	1991	65	152	1	
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property (use additional sheet if necessary)

Buckled right float [slight] Prop damage

AIRPORT INFORMATION (If the accident/incident occurred on approach, takeoff or within 3 miles of an airport, complete this section)

Airport Identifier: _____ **Distance From Airport Center:** _____ SM
Airport Name: _____ **Direction From Airport:** _____ degrees MAG
Proximity to Airport Off Airport/Airstrip On Airport On Airstrip **Airport Elevation:** _____ ft. MSL

Approach Segment (Select one)
 On Instrument Approach Landing Base leg Final Go Around
 Crosswind Downwind Low Approach Aborted Landing (after touchdown)

IFR Approach (Check all that apply)
 None PAR MLS Practice
 ADF/NDB Sidestep LDA GPS
 SDF ILS ASR Loran
 VOR/TVOR Localizer Only Visual Unknown
 VOR/DME LOC-back course Contact
 TACAN RNAV Circling

VFR Approach (Check all that apply)
 None Stop and Go
 Traffic Pattern Touch and Go
 Straight-In Simulated Forced Landing
 Valley/Terrain Following Forced Landing
 Go Around Precautionary Landing
 Full Stop Unknown

Runway Information
Runway ID: _____ (L/R/C) Length: _____ ft Width: _____ ft

Condition of Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)
 Dry Snow-Compacted Water-Calm
 Holes Snow-Crusted Water-Choppy
 Ice Covered Snow-Dry Water-Glassy
 Rough Snow-Wet Wet
 Rubber Deposits Soft Unknown
 Slush Covered Vegetation

Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)
 Asphalt Grass/Turf Macadam Water
 Concrete Gravel Metal/Wood Unknown
 Dirt Ice Snow

FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point Airport ID: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____	Time of Departure Time: 1700 Time Zone: _____	Destination Airport ID: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____	Type Flight Plan Filed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> VFR/IFR <input type="checkbox"/> Company VFR <input type="checkbox"/> IFR <input type="checkbox"/> Military VFR <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> VFR Activated? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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Type of ATC Clearance/Service (Check all that apply)
 None Special VFR Special IFR VFR Flight Following Cruise
 VFR IFR VFR On Top Traffic Advisory Unknown / NA

Airspace where the accident/incident occurred (Check all that apply)
 Class A Class E Prohibited Area Jet Training Area Special
 Class B Class G Restricted Area TRSA Air Traffic Control Area
 Class C Demo Area Military Operations Area (MOA) FAR 93 Unknown
 Class D Warning Area Airport Advisory Area

Aircraft Load Description (Check all that apply)
 None Towing Glider Parachutists Livestock
 Passengers Towing Banner Water Unknown
 Cargo Other External Chemical/Fertilizer/Seeds

FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION

Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff (convert from pounds, as necessary)
_____ 6 Gallons

Fuel Type
 80/87 115/145 JP3 Other, specify _____
 100 Low Lead Jet A JP4
 100/130 Automotive JP5

Other Services, if Any, Prior to Departure

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFT

Was an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? Yes No

Method of Exit – Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location

Solo pilot exited left door opening

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE

Weather Observation Facility

Facility ID: PKD

Observation Time: 1700

Time Zone: CDT

Distance from Accident Site: 12 NM

Direction from Accident Site: 020 degrees MAG

Source of Weather Information

(Check all that apply)

- | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> National Weather Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Company |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flight Service Station | <input type="checkbox"/> Military |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TV/Radio | <input type="checkbox"/> Internet |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Automated Report | <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) | |

Method of Briefing

(Check all that apply)

- | |
|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Person |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teletype |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone/Computer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aircraft Radio |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TV/Radio |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |

Briefing Type/Completeness

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Full | <input type="checkbox"/> Abbreviated |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Partial / Limited By Pilot | <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Partial / Limited By Briefer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Pertinent |

Light Condition

- | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dawn | <input type="checkbox"/> Dusk | <input type="checkbox"/> Dark Night |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Day | <input type="checkbox"/> Night | <input type="checkbox"/> Bright Night |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Reported |

Visibility

15 miles

Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clear | <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Broken |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Few | <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Overcast |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Partial Obscuration | <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scattered | |

Ceiling

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None (clear) | <input type="checkbox"/> Obscured |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Broken | <input type="checkbox"/> Indefinite |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Overcast | <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |

Restriction to Visibility (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None | <input type="checkbox"/> Fog |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blowing Dust | <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Fog |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blowing Sand | <input type="checkbox"/> Haze |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blowing Snow | <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Fog |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blowing Spray | <input type="checkbox"/> Smoke |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dust | <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |

Lowest Cloud Condition Height

5,000 ft AGL

Ceiling Height

_____ ft AGL

Wind Direction

Indicated:
_____ degrees MAG

Variable

Wind Speed

Velocity: _____ KTS

-or-

- | |
|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Calm |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Light and Variable |

Wind Gusts

Velocity: _____ KTS

- | |
|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gusting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Not Gusting |

Type of Turbulence (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None | <input type="checkbox"/> In Clouds |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clear Air | <input type="checkbox"/> Vicinity of Thunderstorm |

Severity of Turbulence

- | | | |
|----------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extreme | <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate | <input type="checkbox"/> Light |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Severe | <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate Chop | |

NOTAMs (D, L and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident

None

Temperature: _____ (C)
or 77 (F)

Altimeter Setting: 2992 in. HG
or _____ MB

Density Altitude: 3,100 ft

Dew Point: _____ (C)
or 67 (F)

Icing Forecast

Amount

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None | <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trace | <input type="checkbox"/> Severe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Light | |

Type

- | |
|--------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rime |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clear |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed |

Icing Actual

Amount

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None | <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trace | <input type="checkbox"/> Severe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Light | |

Type

- | |
|--------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rime |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clear |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed |

Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None | <input type="checkbox"/> Drizzle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rain | <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Pellets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Snow | <input type="checkbox"/> Snow Pellets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hail | <input type="checkbox"/> Snow Grains |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rain Showers | <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Crystals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Freezing Rain | <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Pellets Shower |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Snow Shower | <input type="checkbox"/> Freezing Drizzle |

Intensity of Precipitation

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Light | <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate | <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy |
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PILOT "B" INFORMATION

Pilot "B" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident

Pilot
 Co-Pilot
 Student Pilot
 Flight Instructor
 Check Pilot
 Flight Engineer
 Other Flight Crew

Pilot "B" Identification

First Name: _____ City: _____
 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Last Name: _____ Country: _____
 Age at time of Accident/Incident: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Certificate Number: _____
mm/dd/yyyy

Degree of Injury

None Fatal
 Minor Unknown
 Serious

Seat Occupied

Left Front Unknown
 Right Rear
 Center Single

Seat Belt

Used Yes No
 Available Yes No

Shoulder Harness

Used Yes No
 Available Yes No

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

None Student Recreational Commercial Flight Engineer Foreign
 Private Flight Instructor Sport Airline Transport U.S. Military

Principal Occupation

Pilot
 Other
 Unknown

Medical Certificate

None Class 3
 Class 1 Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)
 Class 2 Unknown

Medical Certificate Validity

Without limitations/waivers
 With limitations/waivers
 Unknown

Date of Last Medical

_____ *mm/dd/yyyy*

Medical Certificate Limitations

Medical Certificate Waivers

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:

_____ *mm/dd/yyyy*

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: _____

Model: _____

Airplane Rating(s)

(Check all that apply)
 None
 Single-Engine Land
 Single-Engine Sea
 Multiengine Land
 Multiengine Sea

Other Aircraft Rating(s)

(Check all that apply)
 None
 Airship
 Free Balloon
 Glider
 Gyroplane
 Helicopter
 Powered Lift

Instrument Rating(s)

(Check all that apply)
 None
 Airplane
 Helicopter
 Powered Lift

Instructor Rating(s)

(Check all that apply)
 None Instrument Airplane
 Airplane Single-Engine Instrument Helicopter
 Airplane Multi-Engine Helicopter
 Gyroplane Glider
 Powered Lift Sport

Type Ratings

Student Endorsements (Include dates)

Flight Time (enter appropriate number of hours in each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time										
Pilot in Command (PIC)										
Time as Instructor										
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days										
Last 30 Days										
Last 24 Hours										

ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREW MEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin attendants, complete the following information)

Pilot Name and Address		Degree of Injury
First Name: _____	City: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Fatal
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ ZIP: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
Last Name: _____	Country: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Serious
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)		Seat Occupied
<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Student <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Flight Engineer <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign	<input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Flight Instructor <input type="checkbox"/> Sport <input type="checkbox"/> Airline Transport <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Front
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Rear
Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs		<input type="checkbox"/> Center <input type="checkbox"/> Single
		<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown

Pilot Name and Address		Degree of Injury
First Name: _____	City: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Fatal
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ ZIP: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
Last Name: _____	Country: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Serious
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)		Seat Occupied
<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Student <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Flight Engineer <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign	<input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Flight Instructor <input type="checkbox"/> Sport <input type="checkbox"/> Airline Transport <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Front
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Rear
Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs		<input type="checkbox"/> Center <input type="checkbox"/> Single
		<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown

Pilot Name and Address		Degree of Injury
First Name: _____	City: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Fatal
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ ZIP: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
Last Name: _____	Country: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Serious
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)		Seat Occupied
<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Student <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Flight Engineer <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign	<input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Flight Instructor <input type="checkbox"/> Sport <input type="checkbox"/> Airline Transport <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Front
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Rear
Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs		<input type="checkbox"/> Center <input type="checkbox"/> Single
		<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown

PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include flight attendants; continue on separate sheet if necessary)

Name and Address	Seat	Crew	Non-Revenue	Revenue	Non-Occupant	FAA	Fatal	Serious Injury	Minor Injury	No Injury	Unknown
First Name: _____	City: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ ZIP: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Last Name: _____	Country: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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 wreckage distribution sketch if pertinent. Attach extra sheets if needed. State time and point of departure, intended destination, and services obtained.

On Aug. 2nd at approx 5 pm, in clear and calm conditions, after completing all pre-take-off check lists, I took off in my Kitfox on floats for a short solo sightseeing flight of about 20 minutes. After about 15 minutes, I completed a small circuit around a lake complex about 3 miles away and started back to my lake. The entire flight was planned largely over water with a small strip of land and trees separating the two lakes. Upon approaching this area of trees at full throttle, I noticed a drop in RPM, and started an emergency checklist including checking all engine temps OK and throttle at full and fuel selector switch. No unusual odors or engine noise accompanied this loss of power. With this loss of power I was unable to maintain altitude and was forced to descend. The lake complex that was beneath me consisted of several narrows and smaller bodies of water. One of these very small lakes was available to me on my left, with larger bodies of water beyond, separated by high banks of trees. It was possible to reach them, but not assured. In order to attempt a landing on the nearest [but very small lake], required me to go to idle power and descend rapidly in a 270 degree left turn. This left me with a confined landing area and a few knots above stall. The landing had to be abrupt with, trees ahead. The resulting landing was necessarily firm due to limited water space ahead, followed by the tail flipping over. Egress was simple.

After reviewing the event, I had about four options, three of which dealt with high banks of trees, and the one I chose meant a tight, firm, water landing with the likelihood of some aircraft damage. As for me, I felt no excessive impact, just the tail flip-over. I received no scratches, bruises, or soreness of any kind. As for the aircraft, recovery was particularly difficult due to the heavy silt in the lake bottom, and stresses from winching the tail over and upright occurred. Otherwise one float partially buckled and the airframe itself appeared normal.

In conclusion, various damage to the aircraft in this case was a likely result. The choice made simply; vastly precluded serious injury and considerable greater aircraft damage, or worse, and damage to property or innocent bystanders.

Steve Larson 08/02/2010

RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

None. The engine, fuels, and systems were meticulously cared for. Retrospectively, I believe that the correct choice was made, and alternatives could well have produced a markedly negative result.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION *(Please type or print in ink)*

Use this space if additional space is needed for any answers.

Note: The water take-off was from my lake home. The flight was to be within 3 miles, and to return to the point of take-off. [re: page 5 Itinerary]

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Date of this Report 08/07/2010 <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>	Signature and Name of Pilot/Operator Signature: <u>Lawrence S. Larson</u> <small>Digitally signed by Lawrence S. Larson DN: Date: 2010.08.08 16:45:12 -0500</small> Type or Print Name: <u>Lawrence Stephen Larson</u>
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Signature and Name of Person Filing Report if Other than Pilot/Operator
Signature: _____
Type or Print Name: Lawrence Stephen Larson
Title: Pilot

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NTSB Accident/Incident No. CEN10CA461	Reviewed by NTSB Regional Office West Chicago, IL	Name of Investigator Andrew Todd Fox	Date Report Received 08/15/2010
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