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Summary of flight:

On July 23, 2017, Dave Lockard was flying the planes that were in his hangar. His first pass by the house was with the Piper. Dave called from the Piper and said that he was going back to try and get the Cessna 150 started. He stated that he had it on charge at the time. At around 4:45, Dave made a few passes around the lake in front of the house. I heard a sputter on the last pass. I saw the plane wobble from side to side and noticed he was flying low. It looked like he was attempting to land on water but knew that he was too fast. He gave the engine some throttle and looked like he attempted to climb, but the left tire hit the water and it caused the plane to flip into the water. We took two boats and made it to the plane within minutes. A tire was floating in the water and the rest of the plane was submerged. We threw a hook on the plane and attempted to pull it around with the barge. We were able to lift it a little and noticed the passenger door was opened. However, we were unable to reach him.

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