NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
NTSB Form 6120.1
PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

Email the pilot/operator aircraft accident/incident report to the investigator-in-charge of your accident/incident. If email is not available, mail the report per the instructions below.

If your accident/incident occurred in Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, or the US Virgin Islands, send the form to: NTSB, ERA, 45065 Riverside Parkway, Ashburn, VA 20147.

If your accident/incident occurred in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Wisconsin, Illinois, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Colorado, or New Mexico, send the form to: NTSB, CEN, 4760 Oakland Street, Suite 500, Denver, CO 80239.

If your accident/incident occurred in Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Utah, Arizona, Nevada, Washington, Oregon, California, Hawaii, or the territories of Guam or American Samoa, send the form to: NTSB, WPR, 505 South 336th Street, Suite 540, Federal Way, WA 98003.

If your accident/incident occurred in Alaska, send the form to: NTSB, ANC, 222 West 7th Avenue, Room 216, Box 11, Anchorage, AK 99513.

Rules pertaining to notification of aircraft accidents and incidents, as well as overdue aircraft are found in 49 *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 830 http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?c=ecfr&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title49/49cfr830_main_02.tpl. These rules state the authority of the NTSB, define accidents, incidents, injuries, and other terms, and provide procedures for initial and immediate notification of accidents and incidents by aircraft pilots/operators.

A. APPLICABILITY

The pilot/operator of an aircraft shall send a report to the office listed above, based on accident/incident location; immediate notification is required by 49 CFR 830.5(a). **The report shall be filed within 10 days after an accident for which notification is required by Section 830.5, or after 7 days if an overdue aircraft is still missing.**

An aircraft accident, as defined in 49 CFR 830.2, is determined as an occurrence that involves a fatality or serious injury, or substantial damage to the aircraft. For occurrences that do not involve a fatality, the determination that the occurrence is an accident can be appealed by writing to the Director, Office of Aviation Safety, NTSB, 490 L'Enfant Plaza, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20594.

The NTSB uses this form for aircraft accident prevention activities and for statistical purposes. NTSB regulations (49 CFR Part 830) require that **ALL** questions be answered completely and accurately. Completion of this form will take approximately 60 minutes. The NTSB does not guarantee the privacy of any information provided in this form. You need not complete this form unless it displays a valid OMB control number, in accordance with 5 C.F.R. § 1320.5(b), which applies to this collection of information.

B. DEFINITIONS

1. "Aircraft Accident" means an occurrence associated with the operation of an aircraft that takes place between the time any person boards the aircraft with the intention of flight and all such persons have disembarked, and in which any person suffers death, or serious injury, or in which the aircraft receives substantial damage. For purposes of this form, the definition of "aircraft accident" includes "unmanned aircraft accident," as defined at 49 CFR 830.2.

2. "Substantial Damage" means damage or failure that adversely affects the structural strength, performance or flight characteristics of the aircraft, and that would normally require major repair or replacement of the affected component. NOTE: Engine failure or damage limited to an engine if only one engine fails or is damaged, bent fairing or cowling, dented skin, small puncture holes in the skin or fabric, ground damage to rotor or propeller blades, and damage to landing gear, wheels, tires, flaps, engine accessories, brakes, or wing tips are not considered "substantial damage" for purposes of this report.

3. "Operator" means any person who causes or authorizes the operation of an aircraft, such as the owner, lessee, or bailee of an aircraft.

4. "Fatal Injury" means any injury that results in death within thirty (30) days of the accident.

5. "Serious Injury" means any injury that (1) requires hospitalization for more than 48 hours, commencing within 7 days from the date the injury was received; (2) results in a fracture of any bone (except simple fracture of fingers, toes, or nose); (3) causes severe hemorrhages, nerve, muscle, or tendon damage; (4) involves injury to any internal organ; or (5) involves second- or third-degree burns, or any burns affecting more than 5 percent of the body surface.

INSTRUCTIONS TO PILOTS/OPERATORS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM

It is necessary that ALL questions on this report be answered completely and accurately.

If more space is needed, continue on a blank sheet of paper.

Nearest City/Place: Use the name of the nearest community in the state where the accident/incident occurred.

Date/Time: Indicate the date and local time of the event. Be sure to indicate the time zone.

Phase of Operation: Indicate the phase of operation during which the accident/incident occurred.

Aircraft Information: Enter aircraft make and model information as indicated on the aircraft registration certificate, including series. If the involved aircraft is certified as "amateur-built," include the name of the producer of the kit or plans, unless an NTSB employee instructs otherwise.

Maximum Gross Weight: Enter the certificated maximum gross weight for the aircraft involved in the occurrence. This should be the same as the maximum gross weight indicated on the aircraft weight and balance documents.

Engine: Enter engine make and model information as indicated on the engine data plate.

Type of Fire Extinguishing System: If a fire extinguishing system was used to fight an aircraft fire, specify the type(s) of extinguishing system(s) used. Examples include handheld extinguisher, engine fire bottle, cargo/baggage compartment fire suppression system, or airport emergency ground equipment.

Owner/Operator Information: Enter the owner information as shown on the registration certificate. Commercial operators, enter the operator information, including "doing business as" when applicable, as shown on the operator certificate.

Revenue Sightseeing Flight: Indicate whether the accident aircraft was conducting **revenue** sightseeing operations under 14 CFR Part 91 at the time of the accident.

Air Medical Flight: Indicate whether the accident flight was being conducted for the purpose of carrying medical personnel, patient(s), or organs.

Public Aircraft: Federal, state or local government flight operations such as official travel, law-enforcement, low-level observation, aerial application, firefighting, search and rescue, biological or geological resource management, or aeronautical research. Indicate whether the flight was conducted by the armed forces, federal, state, or local government.

Purpose of Flight: 14 CFR Parts 91, 103, 133, 136, and 137: Indicate the type of operation that was being conducted at the time of the occurrence using the following definitions:

AERIAL APPLICATION--Operations using an aircraft to perform aerial application or dispersion of any substance. Examples include agricultural, health, forestry, cloud seeding, firefighting, insect control, etc.

AERIAL OBSERVATION--These flights include aerial mapping/ photography, patrol, search and rescue, hunting, highway traffic advisory, ranching, surveillance, oil and mineral exploration, criminal pursuit, fish spotting, etc.

AIR DROP--Aerial operations, other than aerial application, that are intended to release items in flight.

AIR RACE/SHOW--Includes any flight operations conducted as part of an organized air race or public demonstration.

BUSINESS--includes all personal flying without a paid professional crew for reasons associated with furthering a business, including transportation to and from business meetings or work. This does not include corporate/executive operations, air taxi, or commuter operations.

EXECUTIVE/CORPORATE--Company flying with a paid, professional crew.

FERRY--Non-revenue flight under a special flight or "ferry" permit. Refer to 14 CFR 21.197 for details of special flight permit issuance.

FLIGHT TEST--Flight for the purpose of investigating the flight characteristics of an aircraft/aircraft component or evaluating an applicant for a pilot certificate or rating.

INSTRUCTIONAL--Flying while under the supervision of a flight instructor or receiving air carrier training. Personal proficiency flight operations and personal flight reviews, as required by federal air regulations, are excluded.

OTHER WORK USE--Miscellaneous flight operations conducted for compensation or hire such as construction work (not 14 CFR Part 135 operation), parachuting, aerial advertising, towing gliders, etc.

PERSONAL--Flying for personal reasons (excludes business transportation) including pleasure or personal transportation. This also includes practice or proficiency flights performed under flight instructor supervision and not part of an approved flight training program.

POSITIONING--Non-revenue flight conducted for the primary purpose of relocating the aircraft. Examples include moving the aircraft to a maintenance facility or to load passengers or cargo etc.

UNKNOWN--Use only if the primary purpose of flight is not known.

Other Aircraft--Collision: For all accidents involving a collision with another aircraft, including parked aircraft, check "Collision with other aircraft" under Basic Information and complete this section indicating details about the OTHER aircraft involved in the collision.

Airport Information: Complete this section if the accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 statute miles of an airport. Please refer to the FAA Airport/Facility Directory or other official source for airport information.

Airport Identifier: Provide the official 3 or 4 character airport identifier number.

Runway: Indicate the number of the runway used, including L, R, or C if applicable.

Runway/Landing Surface: Indicate the type of intended runway/landing surface (do not indicate surface conditions). If the surface type was mixed, check all that apply.

Condition of Runway/Landing Surface: Indicate the condition of the intended runway/landing surface. If multiple conditions existed at the time of the accident, check all that apply.

Weather Information at the Accident/Incident Site: Indicate the weather conditions reported at the accident/incident site at the time of occurrence. If no weather reporting was available for the accident/incident site, indicate the reported conditions at the nearest reporting site. Specify the weather reporting site identifier, the observation time, and distance from the accident/ incident.

Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition: Indicate the height above ground level of the lowest cloud condition present at the time of the accident/incident and whether coverage was reported as few, scattered, broken or overcast. Also indicate the height above ground level and coverage of the lowest cloud ceiling present at the time of the accident/incident (reported as broken or overcast).

NOTAMs *(D and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs*: Describe all NOTAMs (distant (D) or Flight Data Center (FDC), if known), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, and PIREPs in effect near the accident/incident.

Flight Crewmember Information: Indicate the category that best describes the capacity served by this flight crewmember at the time of the accident. The designators "Flight Crewmember 1" and "Flight Crewmember 2" do not refer to a specific pilot position or responsibility. If more than one pilot is aboard, they may be entered in any order and their capacity entered as appropriate.

Degree of Injury: See Definitions on the top half of Page 1 of the instructions. Minor injury is not defined. If an injury does not meet the criteria for another injury category, select Minor.

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent: Enter the date of the most recent flight review, or equivalent, completed by this pilot. Refer to 14 CFR 61.56 for accepted equivalents.

Type Ratings: List all type ratings on the pilot certificate. If the pilot holds no type ratings indicate "none." If the pilot holds a pilot certificate other than student and was flying an aircraft requiring an endorsement, enter the type and date of any logbook endorsement(s) for that aircraft. See 14 CFR 61 for examples of required endorsements.

Student Endorsements: If the pilot holds a student pilot certificate, enter all solo endorsements and dates on the student pilot certificate.

Flight Time: Complete the flight time matrix. Solo flight time should be included as "Pilot-in-Command (PIC)" and all dual flight instruction given should be included as "Time as Instructor."

Additional Flight Crewmembers: Complete this section if there were more than two required flight crewmembers on the aircraft. This also includes a check airman performing official duties but does not include cabin crew. State the capacity served by each included crewmember at the time of the accident.

Passenger(s)/Other Personnel: Enter identification and injury severity information for all passengers, cabin crew, and other personnel involved in the accident. See Page 1 of the instructions for the official definition of injury levels.

Several questions throughout the form allow for multiple responses; when appropriate, choose all responses that apply.

These instructions only pertain to major issue areas covered by NTSB Form 6120.1 *Pilot/Operator Aircraft Accident/Incident Report.* For additional definitions of questions and responses, please refer to www.ntsb.gov.

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BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Airfield 7NC5 State: NC

ZIP: 27597 Country: USA

Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____

(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 04/16/2022 *mm/dd/yyyy* Local Time: 3:40

Time Zone: Eastern

Collision with Other Aircraft: ○ Midair ◉ On-ground ○ None

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N7784S

Manufacturer: Schweizer

Model: SGS 2-33A

Serial Number: 154

Year of Manufacture: 1969

Amateur-Built: ○ Yes ◉ No *If Yes:* ○ Kit/Plans ○ Original Design Make: _____

☐ **IFR-Equipped and Certified**
☐ **Commercial Space Flight**
☐ **Unmanned Aircraft**

Maximum Gross Weight: 1040 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 1030 lbs

Number of Seats: 2 Flight Crew Seats: _____

Cabin Crew Seats: _____ Passenger Seats: _____

Number of Engines: 0

Category of Aircraft
- ○ Airplane
- ○ Balloon
- ○ Blimp/Dirigible
- ◉ Glider
- ○ Gyroplane
- ○ Helicopter
- ○ Powered Lift
- ○ Rocket
- ○ Ultralight
- ○ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate *(Check all that apply)*

Standard	Special
☑ Normal	☐ Restricted
☐ Aerobatic	☐ Limited
☐ Balloon	☐ Provisional
☐ Commuter	☐ Special Flight
☐ Transport	☐ Experimental
☐ Utility	☐ Special Light-Sport
	☐ Experimental Light-Sport

☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
☐ None ☐ Unknown

Landing Gear *(Check all that apply)*
- ☐ Retractable
- ☐ Tricycle ☑ Tailwheel
- ☐ Amphibian ☐ High Skid
- ☐ Emergency Float ☑ Skid
- ☐ Float ☐ Ski
- ☐ Hull ☐ Ski/Wheel
- ☐ Other Launch/Recovery System
- ☐ None ☐ Unknown

Engine Type *(Select one)*
- ○ Reciprocating ○ Liquid Rocket
- ○ Turbo Shaft ○ Solid Rocket
- ○ Turbo Prop ○ Hybrid Rocket
- ○ Turbo Jet ◉ None
- ○ Turbo Fan ○ Unknown
- ○ Electric

Fuel System Type *(Reciprocating)*
○ Carburetor ○ Fuel-Injected

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. *mm/dd/yyyy*	Rated Power ○ Horsepower or ○ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since: Inspection (hours)	Time Since: Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	NA							
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type
- ○ 100-Hour ○ Continuous Airworthiness
- ○ AAIP ○ Conditional Inspection
- ◉ Annual ○ Unknown

Date Last Inspection: 06/21/2021 *mm/dd/yyyy*

Airframe Total Time: 4091.2 hrs

hours measured at *(Select one)*
○ Last Inspection ◉ Time of Accident/Incident

Type of Maintenance Program *(Select one)*
- ◉ Annual
- ○ Conditional (Amateur-built only)
- ○ Manufacturer's Inspection Program
- ○ Other Approved Inspection Program (AAIP)
- ○ Continuous Airworthiness
- ○ Other, specify: _____

Description of Fire Extinguishing System
- ○ None
- ○ Specify:

Propeller 1 ○ Fixed Pitch ○ Controllable Pitch ○ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: NA

Model: _____

Propeller 2 ○ Fixed Pitch ○ Controllable Pitch ○ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: NA

Model: _____

ELT Installed: ○ Yes ◉ No

If Yes:

ELT Manufacturer: _____

Model or Part No.: _____

TSO No.: ○ C91 (121.5 MHz) ○ C91a (121.5 MHz) ○ C126 (406 MHz)

Was ELT still mounted in aircraft? ○ Yes ○ No

Was ELT still connected to antenna? ○ Yes ○ No

Did ELT Activate? ○ Yes ○ No

If activated:

Did ELT Aid in Locating Aircraft: ○ Yes ○ No

If not activated:

Indicate Reason:
- ☐ Impact Damage
- ☐ Fire Damage
- ☐ Battery Expired/Damaged
- ☐ Unknown

Additional Equipment *(Check all that apply)*
- ☐ ADS-B
- ☐ Airframe Parachute
- ☐ Angle of Attack Indicator
- ☐ Autopilot
- ☐ Data Recorder
- ☐ Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device
- ☐ Electronic Multifunction Display
- ☐ Electronic Primary Flight Display
- ☐ Handheld GPS
- ☐ Heads Up Display
- ☐ Onboard Weather
- ☐ Satellite Tracking Device
- ☐ Stall Warning System
- ☐ Video Recording Device
- ☐ Other, Specify:

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION

Registered Aircraft Owner

Name: North Carolina Soaring Association

Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ○ Yes ◉ No

City: Zebulon

State: NC ZIP: 27597

Country: USA

Operator of Aircraft ☐ *Same As Registered Owner* ☐ *Same Address as Registered Owner*

Name: Chad Hutrchins

Doing Business As:

Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code):

City: Sanford

State: NC ZIP: 27332

Country: USA

Operating Certificates Held *(Check all that apply)*

☑ 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)
☐ 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

Regulation Flight Conducted Under

○ FAR 91 ○ FAR 129 ○ FAR 415
○ FAR 103 ○ FAR 133 ○ FAR 431
○ FAR 121 ○ FAR 135 ○ FAR 435
○ FAR 125 ○ FAR 137 ○ FAR 437

○ FAR 91 Special Flight
○ Non-US, Commercial
○ Non-US, Non-commercial

○ Public Aircraft *(Select one)*
○ Armed Forces
○ Federal
○ State
○ Local

○ Unknown

Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135
(Select one for each group)

○ Scheduled or Commuter ○ Domestic
○ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi ○ International

○ Passenger
○ Cargo
○ Mail Contract Only

Purpose of Flight for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137
(Select one)

○ Aerial Application ○ Firefighting ○ Unknown
○ Aerial Observation ○ Flight Test
○ Air Drop ○ Glider Tow
○ Air Race/Show ◉ Instructional
○ Banner Tow ○ Other Work Use
○ Business ○ Personal
○ Executive/Corporate ○ Positioning
○ External Load ○ Skydiving
○ Ferry

Revenue Sightseeing Flight

○ Yes ◉ No

Air Medical Flight

○ Yes ◉ No

AIRPORT INFORMATION (Fill in if accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)

Airport Name: Crooked Creek Airfeild

Airport Identifier: 7NC5

Proximity to Airport: ○ Off Airport/Airstrip ◉ On Airport/Airstrip ○ N/A

Distance From Airport Center: 0 sm

Direction From Airport: degrees true

Airport Elevation: 250 ft. msl

Runway Information

Runway ID: 4/22 (L/R/C) Length: 2500 ft Width: 80 ft

Runway/Landing Surface *(Check all that apply)*

☐ Asphalt ☑ Grass/Turf ☐ Macadam ☐ Water
☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Metal/Wood
☐ Dirt ☐ Ice ☐ Snow ☐ Unknown

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
☐ Slush-Covered ☐ Vegetation ☐ Unknown

Approach/Departure Segment *(Select one)*

○ Taxi ○ VFR Departure ○ On Instrument Approach ○ Downwind ○ Low Approach
○ Takeoff ○ IFR Departure Procedure/Clearance ◉ Landing ○ Base ○ Go Around
○ Initial Climb ○ Final ○ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)
○ Crosswind ○ Unknown

IFR Approach *(Check all that apply)*

☑ None

☐ ADF/NDB ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice
☐ SDF ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS
☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ ILS ☐ ASR
☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual
☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact
☐ RNAV ☐ Circling
☐ Unknown

VFR Approach *(Check all that apply)*

☑ None

☐ 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 CREWMEMBER 1" INFORMATION

"Flight Crewmember 1" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident

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

"Flight Crewmember 1" was pilot flying ☑ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 1" Identification

First Name: Chad
Middle Initial: M
Last Name: Hutchins
City of Residence: Sanford
State: NC ZIP: 27332
Country: USA
Age at time of Accident/Incident: 50 Date of Birth: [redacted] *mm/dd/yyyy*
Certificate Number: [redacted]

Degree of Injury
○ None ○ Fatal
◉ Minor ○ Unknown
○ Serious

Seat Occupied
○ Left ○ Front ○ Unknown
○ Right ◉ Rear
○ Center ○ Single

Restraint Type

Available	Used
○ None	○ None
○ Lap only	○ Lap only
○ 3-point	○ 3-point
◉ 4-point	○ 4-point
○ 5-point	○ 5-point
○ Unknown	○ Unknown

Inflatable Restraints
☑ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

Pilot Certificate(s) *(Check all that apply)*
☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military
☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign
☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer

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 ○ Unknown
○ With limitations/waivers ○ N/A
○ Special Issuance

Date of Last Medical
12/13/2021
mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations
NA

Medical Certificate Special Issuance
NA

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks: 10/30/2021 *mm/dd/yyyy*

Flight Review Aircraft
Make: Cessna
Model: C172

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
☐ 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
☑ Airplane Single-Engine
☑ Airplane Multi-Engine
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Powered Lift
☑ Instrument Airplane
☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Helicopter
☑ Glider
☐ 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	2,496	31	2,298	100	175	12	48	0	98	0
Pilot in Command (PIC)	2,426	31	2,243	92	172	12	48	0	91	0
Time as Instructor	1,244	27	1,109	90	55	5	0	0	45	0
This Make/Model					0	0	0			
Last 90 Days	30	6	24	0	0	0	0	0	6	0
Last 30 Days	18	3	15	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Last 24 Hours	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 2" INFORMATION

"Flight Crewmember 2" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident

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

"Flight Crewmember 2" was pilot flying ☐ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 2" Identification

First Name: Connor

Middle Initial: J

Last Name: Tepatti

City of Residence: Southern Pines

State: NC ZIP: 28387

Country: USA

Age at time of Accident/Incident: 15 Date of Birth: [redacted] *mm/dd/yyyy*

Certificate Number:

Degree of Injury
○ None ○ Fatal
◉ Minor ○ Unknown
○ Serious

Seat Occupied
○ Left ◉ Front ○ Unknown
○ Right ○ Rear
○ Center ○ Single

Restraint Type

Available	Used
○ None	○ None
○ Lap only	○ Lap only
○ 3-point	○ 3-point
○ 4-point	◉ 4-point
○ 5-point	○ 5-point
○ Unknown	○ Unknown

Inflatable Restraints
☑ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

Pilot Certificate(s) *(Check all that apply)*
☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military
☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign
☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer

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 ○ Unknown
○ With limitations/waivers ◉ N/A
○ Special Issuance

Date of Last Medical
mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations
NA

Medical Certificate Special Issuance
NA

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks: NA *mm/dd/yyyy*

Flight Review Aircraft
Make: NA Student Pilot
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
☐ 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
☐ Airplane Single-Engine
☐ Airplane Multi-Engine
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Powered Lift
☐ Instrument Airplane
☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Helicopter
☐ Glider
☐ Sport

Type Ratings
NA

Student Endorsements *(Include dates)*
None

Flight Time *(Enter appropriate number of hours in each box)*	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument: Actual	Instrument: Simulated	Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
Total Time	4	4							4	
Pilot in Command (PIC)										
Time as Instructor										
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days	3	3							3	
Last 30 Days	2	2							2	
Last 24 Hours										

ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information)

Crew Name and Address	Seat Occupied	Injury
First Name: ____________ City of Residence: ____________ Middle Initial: ____ State: ______ ZIP: ______ Last Name: ____________ Country: ____________	○ Left ○ Center ○ Right ○ Front ○ Rear ○ Single ○ Unknown	○ None ○ Minor ○ Serious ○ Fatal ○ Unknown
Pilot Certificate(s) *(Check all that apply)* ☐ None ☐ Private ☐ Student ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Recreational ☐ Sport ☐ Commercial ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ US Military ☐ Foreign	**Restraint Type:** **Available:** ○ None ○ Lap Only ○ 3-point ○ 4-point ○ 5-point ○ Unknown **Used:** ○ None ○ Lap Only ○ 3-point ○ 4-point ○ 5-point ○ Unknown	**Inflatable Restraints** ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No **Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident:** ________ hrs		

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PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include cabin crew; continue on separate sheet if necessary)

Name and Address	Seat	Injury	Restraint Type	Inflatable Restraints	Age
First Name: ________ City: ________ Middle Initial: ____ State: ____ ZIP: ____ Last Name: ________ Country: ________ ○ Crew ○ Passenger ○ Other	○ Left ○ Center ○ Right ○ Unknown Row: ____	○ None ○ Minor ○ Serious ○ Fatal ○ Unknown	**Available:** ○ None ○ Lap Only ○ 3-point ○ 4-point ○ 5-point ○ Unknown **Used:** ○ None ○ Lap Only ○ 3-point ○ 4-point ○ 5-point ○ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years *If Under 5,* ○ Child Restraint ○ Lap-Held ○ Unknown
First Name: ________ City: ________ Middle Initial: ____ State: ____ ZIP: ____ Last Name: ________ Country: ________ ○ Crew ○ Passenger ○ Other	○ Left ○ Center ○ Right ○ Unknown Row: ____	○ None ○ Minor ○ Serious ○ Fatal ○ Unknown	**Available:** ○ None ○ Lap Only ○ 3-point ○ 4-point ○ 5-point ○ Unknown **Used:** ○ None ○ Lap Only ○ 3-point ○ 4-point ○ 5-point ○ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years *If Under 5,* ○ Child Restraint ○ Lap-Held ○ Unknown
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FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point
Airport ID: 7NC5
City: Zebulon
State: NC
Country: USA

Time of Departure
Time: 3:35
Time Zone: Eastern

Destination
Airport ID: NC5
City: Zebulon
State: NC
Country: USA

Type Flight Plan Filed
(•) None ( ) VFR/IFR
( ) Company VFR ( ) IFR
( ) Military VFR ( ) Unknown
( ) VFR
Activated? ( ) Yes ( ) No ( ) Unknown

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 G ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ Special
☐ Class B ☐ Demo Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area ☐ Air Traffic Control Area
☐ Class C ☐ Warning Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ Unknown
☐ Class D ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ TRSA
☑ Class E ☐ Restricted Area ☐ FAR 93

Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence: _____ ft msl

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE

Source of Pilot Weather Information *(Check all that apply)*
☐ National Weather Service ☐ Company
☐ Flight Service Station ☐ Military
☐ TV/Radio ☐ Internet
☑ Automated Report ☐ None
☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) ☐ Unknown
☐ On-Board Weather

Weather Observation Facility
Facility ID: KHLZ
Observation Time: AWOS
Time Zone: _____
Distance from Accident Site: 5 nm
Direction from Accident Site: _____ degrees true

Basic Conditions
(•) VMC
( ) IMC
( ) Unknown

Light Condition
( ) Dawn ( ) Dusk ( ) Dark Night ( ) Unknown
(•) Day ( ) Night ( ) Bright Night

Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition
(•) Clear ( ) Thin Broken
( ) Few ( ) Thin Overcast
( ) Partial Obscuration ( ) Unknown
( ) Scattered

Lowest Cloud Condition Height
_____ ft agl

Ceiling
(•) None (Clear) ( ) Obscured
( ) Broken ( ) Indefinite
( ) Overcast ( ) Unknown

Ceiling Height
_____ ft agl

Temperature: _____ (C) or _____ (F)
Dew Point: _____ (C) or _____ (F)
Altimeter Setting: _____ in. Hg
or _____ MB

Wind Direction
☐ Variable
-or-
Direction: _____ degrees true

Wind Speed
☐ Calm
☐ Light and Variable
-or-
Speed: _____ kts

Wind Gusts
☐ Not Gusting
-or-
Speed: _____ kts

Visibility _____ miles
RVR: _____ feet
RVV: _____ miles
Density Altitude: _____ ft

Intensity of Precipitation
( ) Light
( ) Moderate
( ) Heavy
( ) N/A
( ) Unknown

Type of Precipitation *(Check all that apply)*
☑ None ☐ Drizzle ☐ Freezing Rain
☐ Rain ☐ Ice Pellets ☐ Snow Shower
☐ Snow ☐ Snow Pellets ☐ Ice Pellets Shower
☐ Hail ☐ Snow Grains ☐ Freezing Drizzle
☐ Rain Showers ☐ Ice Crystals

Restriction to Visibility *(Check all that apply)*
☐ None ☐ Fog
☐ Blowing Dust ☐ Ground Fog
☐ Blowing Sand ☐ Haze
☐ Blowing Snow ☐ Ice Fog
☐ Blowing Spray ☐ Smoke
☐ Dust ☐ Unknown

Icing Forecast

Amount	Type
( ) None	( ) N/A
( ) Trace	( ) Rime
( ) Light	( ) Clear
( ) Moderate	( ) Mixed
( ) Severe	( ) Unknown
( ) Unknown	

Icing Actual

Amount	Type
( ) None	( ) N/A
( ) Trace	( ) Rime
( ) Light	( ) Clear
( ) Moderate	( ) Mixed
( ) Severe	( ) Unknown
( ) Unknown	

Turbulence
Type *(Check all that apply)*
☐ None
☐ Clear Air
☐ Terrain-Induced
☐ Convective Turbulence

Severity
☐ Light
☐ Moderate
☐ Severe
☐ Extreme

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

DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY

Aircraft Damage		Aircraft Fire		Aircraft Explosion	
○ None	◉ Substantial	◉ None	○ Both Ground and In-Flight	◉ None	○ Both Ground and In-Flight
○ Minor	○ Destroyed	○ In-Flight	○ Fire at Unknown Time	○ In-Flight	○ Explosion at Unknown Time
	○ Unknown	○ On-Ground	○ Unknown	○ On-Ground	○ Unknown

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

Glider sustained substantial damage to right wing and canopy.The Piper Cherokee that was parked on the ground sustained substantial damage to its left wing and nose cone.

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 departure time and and location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.

Chad M. Hutchins
[redacted]

On April 16, 2022 at approximately 3:45 P.M. I was involved in a glider incident/accident while acting as Instructor Pilot at airfield 7NC5 in N7784S a SGS 2-33A belonging to North Carolina Soaring Association (NCSA). I was sitting in the rear seat. My student, Connor Tepatti was sitting in the front seat. I have been a volunteer flight instructor at NCSA for over two years. I am experienced at this airfield and in this glider.

The accident flight was the last flight of the day. The day began with a flight at 9:10 with Student 1. We had three tows, two tows to 3,000 feet to practice maneuvers and one tow that was a simulated rope break with immediate return to the airfield. Student 2 and I took two tows to 3,000 feet for him to practice maneuvers for his upcoming check-ride. Student 3 and I took three tows, two tows to 3,000 feet and one tow that was simulated rope break with immediate return to the airfield. The fourth pilot was a solo student. Student 5 and I took two tows to 3,000 feet to practice maneuvers.

At 3:00 P.M. we noted that the winds were picking up. I had three students left on the schedule. Connor Tepatti was my next student. I had flown with Connor several times and he was proficient on the controls working toward his solo endorsement. The two other students had only flown with me one time before. I spoke with Frank Swett, our tow pilot, and he agreed the winds were alright to fly with a more experienced student pilot but that two very new student pilots likely would not get much training value out of a flight in the current conditions. We called the AWOS at Triangle North Airport, I don't recall the exact speed, but winds were out of the south and seemed reasonable to take an experienced student up to train.

At approximately 3:15 Connor and I took our first flight to 2,000 feet to practice take off, tow, maneuvers, and landing. Everything went well. We planned our second flight to be our last flight of the day, a simulated rope break with immediate return to the airfield. The wind was out of the southwest, and we departed runway 22. Upon reaching approximately 350 feet AGL I released the rope for a simulated rope break, and we turned back toward the airport. Once we got the airport in sight, I saw the winds had kept us much closer to the runway. We would not have any problem conserving energy to get back to the airport, we had to dissipate some energy to get the glider onto the runway in a position to land and stop. I wanted to dissipate some altitude before entering a forward slip to land so we flew two circles off the end of the runway. We got down to an altitude that we could slip down and entered a forward slip. We were to the right of the runway centerline. The winds were coming from our left rear, pushing us to the right. We slipped toward the runway centerline while conducting a forward slip to lose the altitude needed to get into landing position. During the forward slip I was not able to get the glider all the way to the center of the runway, we were offset to the right. Our right wing struck a tree (I did not see this tree strike as I was focused forward but was told from ground witnesses that it was a tree strike), and we came to rest sliding into a parked Piper Cherokee on the left side of the runway. My student was able to get out of the glider unobstructed. I was pinned in the rear seat of the glider as it had slid right into the front of the Cherokee and the propeller and nose cone was blocking my exit. Local rescue personnel were able to extract me from the glider and I was transported to Wake Med Hospital to be examined.

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

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

I did not correctly assess the effect of the wind. I believed the winds to be closely aligned with the departure end runway with a direction coming from 220 (southwest). The winds were actually more westerly, and that was a factor that put me out of position to the right of the runway. A mistake I made was to simultaneously attempt to lose altitude to land and attempt to get back to the center of the runway. I should have maneuvered closer to the runway center before losing the excess altitude. That would have given me clearance from the tree branch that I hit.

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on separate sheet)

Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☐ Yes ☑ No

(If yes, list the name of the part, manufacturer, part no., serial no., and describe the failure.)

Total Time/Cycles On Part

_____ Hours

_____ Cycles

Time Since This Part Inspected/Overhauled

_____ Hours

FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION

Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff
(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

_____ Gallons

Fuel Type

○ 80/87	○ 115/145	○ Jet B	○ Other, specify _____
○ 100 Low Lead	○ Jet A	○ JP8	
○ 100/130	○ Jet A-1	○ Automotive	

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

OTHER AIRCRAFT – COLLISION (If air or ground collision occurred, complete this section for *other* aircraft)

Aircraft Registration Number
5074W

Manufacturer: Piper
Model: Cherokee 140

Damage to Other Aircraft
☐ Destroyed ☐ Minor
☑ Substantial ☐ None

Registered Owner of Other Aircraft

Name: Byron Wells
City: Bunn
State: NC ZIP: 25798
Country: USA

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: NA
City: _____
State: _____ ZIP: _____
Country: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Please type or print in ink)

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

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

Date of this Report	Name of Pilot/Operator: Chad Hutchins
04/28/2022 *mm/dd/yyyy*	Signature: _____
	-- or -- ☑ Check here to electronically sign this document

If a Person Other than Pilot/Operator is Filing Report

Name: _____ **Title:** _____

Signature: _____

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