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Date: December 13, 2023
Subject: Conversation with the Pilot
Contact: Nestor Beach, Pilot

On December 6, 2023, a phone conversation was made with the pilot who was asked to describe the accident sequence events. The pilot provided the following information:

The purpose of the flight was for the pilot and an instructor to practice crosswind landings while working towards his tailwheel endorsement. There was a crosswind blowing 90 degrees from the left across the runway. After touching down on the runway, the aircraft swerved, and the pilot corrected in the opposite direction. The aircraft spun and the lefthand wing tip and lefthand elevator contacted the runway and "bubbled" the fabric. The righthand main landing gear elevated at the same time and came back down hard on the runway causing the fabric below the door to crinkle.

The pilot agreed to send photos of the damage that occurred to the wing, elevator, and fuselage under the door. He reported that there were no mechanical issues with the aircraft during the flight.