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| RECORD OF <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VISIT <input type="checkbox"/> CONFERENCE OR <input type="checkbox"/> TELEPHONE CALL | | TIME 14:15 | DATE 02-16-2023 |
| NAME (S) OF PERSON (S) CONTACTED OR IN CONFERENCE AND LOCATION | | ROUTING | |
| Michael Jefferson, aircraft owner, at accident site in Corning, CA [REDACTED] | | SYMBOL | INITIALS |
| SUBJECT Interviewed regarding accident involving an unregistered aircraft in Corning, CA | | | |
| DIGEST | | | |
| Mr. Jefferson stated that the engine had just been fixed two to three days prior to the accident, and that they had been flying the aircraft close to the accident site for test flying following the repairs. | | | |
| Mr. Jefferson stated that on the day of the accident, the aircraft had been flying in circles, and had landed once or twice. | | | |
| Mr. Jefferson stated that he saw the accident sequence, and stated that the pilot initiated a barrel roll while flying in a southbound heading, pulled out of the roll too slowly and at a downward attitude towards the ground, and attempted to recover too aggressively as the aircraft was picking up speed. The wing separated during the attempted recovery, and the aircraft lost control and crashed into the ground immediately afterward. | | | |
| Mr. Jefferson stated that there were 4 witnesses, including himself. | | | |
| Mr. Jefferson stated that this was not an aerobatic aircraft. | | | |
| Mr. Jefferson stated that he estimated the speed of the aircraft prior to initiation of the barrel roll was approximately 50-55 miles per hour. | | | |
| Mr. Jefferson stated that he estimated that approximately 3 gallons of fuel were on board at the time of impact. | | | |
| Mr. Jefferson stated that the aircraft was equipped with a small battery to power the gauges. | | | |
| Mr. Jefferson stated that he and the accident pilot had checked the flight controls on the ground prior to the accident flight, and that they were working properly. | | | |
| Mr. Jefferson stated that the aircraft was a Star-Lite SL1 model, equipped with a Rotax 447 engine, and that he had purchased the aircraft three to four months prior to the accident flight. | | | |
| Mr. Jefferson stated that the pilots/owners of the aircraft performed maintenance inspections. | | | |
| CONCLUSION, ACTION TAKEN, OR REQUIRED | | | |
| This log was taken to record an interview with Michael Jefferson, the owner of an unregistered aircraft involved in an accident near Corning, CA on February 16th, 2023. This copy was transcribed from a handwritten copy taken at the time of the interview. | | | |
| DATE 2-23-2023 | TITLE Michael Jefferson Interview Log | SIGNATURE STEPHEN CHRISTOPHER LYNCH [REDACTED] | |

