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**Date:** June 17, 2021  
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**Contact:** Mike Terhune, Owner, Mike's Aero

About 0845 landed on the south runway and assumed it was doing a touch and go. Thought the airplane had made a low pass then heard someone say it had crashed.

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Ms. Coeytaux has her airplane tied down on the south side of the airport on the ramp area and is line with the runway. She was conducting a preflight at the time. She did not hear or see the airplane come in to land. However, she did hear the roar of the engine and turned to look toward the runway. She was surprised because it looked like the airplane was taking off, but it was climbing. The airplane was lifting off runway 16 when it turned toward her left toward her. It was about 20 ft above the ground when it flew over her head.

Ms. Coeytaux reported that near the airport there is a low spot, and the airplane went through the trees and continued over a vineyard at a low altitude. She was still able to hear the engine "roaring away." She saw the airplane's nose going up and the left-wing dip and said, "he's stalling," and then the airplane dives down. She lost sight of the airplane behind a hill and then saw black smoke.