

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

This form to be used for reporting civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Anchorage State: AK

ZIP: 99517 Country: USA

Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____

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

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 06/17/2023 Local Time: 1625

mm/dd/yyyy

Time Zone: ADT

Collision with Other Aircraft: ☐ Midair ☐ On-ground ☒ None

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N5075T

Manufacturer: Buck/Crawford/Crawford

Model: Christavia MK-1

Serial Number: 237

Year of Manufacture: 1993

Amateur-Built: ☒ Yes ☐ No If Yes: ☒ Kit/Plans ☐ Original Design Make: Christavia

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

Maximum Gross Weight: 1750 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 1747 lbs

Number of Seats: 2 Flight Crew Seats: 2

Cabin Crew Seats: 0 Passenger Seats: 0

Number of Engines: 1

Category of Aircraft

- ☒ Airplane
☐ Balloon
☐ Blimp/Dirigible
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift
☐ Rocket
☐ Ultralight
☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate

(Check all that apply)

Standard

- ☐ Normal
☐ Aerobatic
☐ Balloon
☐ Commuter
☐ Transport
☐ Utility

Special

- ☐ Restricted
☐ Limited
☐ Provisional
☐ Special Flight
☒ Experimental
☐ 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. <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>	Rated Power ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since: Inspection (hours) Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	Lycoming	O-320-A2A	3168-27		150	907	19
Eng. 2							
Eng. 3							
Eng. 4							

Last Inspection Type

- ☐ 100-Hour ☐ Continuous Airworthiness
☐ AAIP ☐ Conditional Inspection
☐ Annual ☐ Unknown

Date Last Inspection: 05/24/2023
mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 903 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: Unknown

Model: Unknown

Propeller 2

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

ELT Installed: ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

ELT Manufacturer: ACK

Model or Part No.: E-04

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: ILLIG, PETRA AFractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ NoCity: AnchorageState: AKZIP: 99515-2207Country: USA**Operator of Aircraft**☐ Same As Registered OwnerName: David KaralunasDoing Business As: Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): ☐ Same Address as Registered OwnerCity: AnchorageState: AKZIP: 99517-2458Country: 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: Lake Hood Gravel StripAirport Identifier: PALHProximity to Airport: ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☒ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/ADistance From Airport Center: On airstrip E edge smDirection From Airport: abeam H3 Taxiway degrees trueAirport Elevation: 79 ft. msl**Runway Information**Runway ID: 32 (L/R/C) Length: 2200 ft Width: 75 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: David City of Residence: Anchorage
Middle Initial: _____ State: AK ZIP: 99517-2458
Last Name: Karalunas Country: USA
Age at time of Accident/Incident: 56 Date of Birth: _____66 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 ☐ 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
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 <u>03/24/2023</u> mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations

MUST USE CORRECTIVE LENS(ES) TO MEET VISION STANDARDS AT ALL REQUIRED DISTANCES

Medical Certificate Special Issuance

Not Applicable

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:

08/01/2021
mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: Cessna

Model: 172

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 None			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		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time	1,096	14	1,090	6	84	10	71	0		
Pilot in Command (PIC)	1,043	14	1,037	6						
Time as Instructor	8	2	8							
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days	4	4	4							
Last 30 Days	3	3	3							
Last 24 Hours	3	3	3							

"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: Alphonzo City of Residence: San Diego
 Middle Initial: W State: CA ZIP: 92109
 Last Name: Allen II Country: USA
 Age at time of Accident/Incident: 31 Date of Birth: 91 mm/dd/yyyy
 Certificate Number:

Degree of Injury ☒ None ☐ Fatal ☐ Minor ☐ Unknown ☐ Serious	Seat Occupied ☐ Left ☒ Front ☐ Unknown ☐ Right ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single	Restraint Type <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Available</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Used</th> </tr> <tr> <td> ☐ None ☐ Lap only ☒ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown </td> <td> ☐ None ☐ Lap only ☒ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown </td> </tr> </table>	Available	Used	☐ None ☐ Lap only ☒ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ None ☐ Lap only ☒ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	Inflatable Restraints ☒ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown								
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Principal Occupation ☒ Pilot ☐ Other ☐ Unknown	Medical Certificate ☐ None ☐ Class 3 ☒ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only) ☐ Class 2 ☐ Unknown		Date of Last Medical <u>07/03/2022</u> mm/dd/yyyy												

Medical Certificate Limitations

None

Medical Certificate Special Issuance

Not Applicable

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:

08/26/2022
mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: Bell-Boeing

Model: MV-22B (Osprey)

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
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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	473		115	79						
Pilot in Command (PIC)	309									
Time as Instructor										
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days	15		2							
Last 30 Days	8		2							
Last 24 Hours	2		2							

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 ☐ Front ☐ Center ☐ Rear ☐ Right ☐ Single ☐ Unknown		☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer			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			
Crew Name and Address			Seat Occupied		Injury	
First Name: _____ City of Residence: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____			☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Center ☐ Rear ☐ Right ☐ Single ☐ Unknown		☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer			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			
PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include cabin crew; continue on separate sheet if necessary)						
Name and Address		Seat	Injury	Restraint Type		Inflatable Restraints
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
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
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FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point

Airport ID: PALH

City: Anchorage

State: AK

Country: USA

Time of Departure

Time: 1625

Time Zone: ADT

Destination

Airport ID: PABV

City: Chugiak

State: AK

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:

79 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: PALH ATIS

Observation Time: "Victor" <1625

Time Zone: ADT

Distance from Accident Site: _____ 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: 30.08 in. Hg
 or _____ MB

Wind Direction

☐ Variable

-or-
Direction: 290 degrees true

Wind Speed

☐ Calm
☐ Light and Variable

-or-
Speed: 10 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) Severity
☒ None ☐ Light
☐ Clear Air ☐ Moderate
☐ Terrain-Induced ☐ Severe
☐ Convective Turbulence ☐ Extreme

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

None applicable to accident.

DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY**Aircraft Damage**

- ☐ None ☒ Substantial
☐ Minor ☐ Destroyed
 ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Fire

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Explosion

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Explosion at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

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

Wood and fabric wing construction. Left wing lower surface and aileron contacted top of runway light. Top of runway light made initial contact with lower member of wing rib a few inches forward of aft spar. Wing rib lower member piece about 6 inches long, immediately forward of aft spar, was broken out. Rib was forced upward at aft spar about 1/2 inch. A mechanic familiar with wood structure identified two cracks in the aft spar at the rib attachment area. Runway light made contact with aft spar and deformed trailing edge of the aileron about half an inch without breaking the aileron fabric.

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

On Thursday, 06/15/2023, the aircraft owner asked me to give her son-in-law a tailwheel endorsement while he was in town on vacation. PALH, where her aircraft is based, is my home field. My previous currency flight with 4 takeoffs and landings to a full stop was in the accident aircraft on 03/26/2023. On the morning of Saturday, 06/17/2023, I obtained a weather briefing using ForeFlight. I performed a thorough preflight of the aircraft and made a solo flight with three takeoffs and landings to a full stop, then waited for the student to arrive.

The student and I discussed his flying background/experience. I knew he had been on a couple of flights in the subject aircraft before from discussion with the owner. I discussed tailwheel characteristics including the center of mass behind the main gear, the differences in ground handling between conventional and nose gear aircraft, aileron-induced adverse yaw, stick position for the wind, and the process and importance of raising the tail to have visibility on takeoff. We also discussed gravel operations, where to do the run-up, and the importance of keeping the aircraft rolling once entering the runway. I provided a thorough introduction to the aircraft's front seat, including controls, switches, ingress/egress, seatbelt, door operation, and gear on-board (approximately 12 pounds in or behind rear seat: a small portable fire extinguisher, quart of water, hand-held radio, handgun, quart of oil, paper towel roll, 2 extra seat cushions, and control locks).

We made one flight around the pattern with student following me on the controls, then added the two extra cushions under his seat. We departed PALH with the student on the controls and completed 5 takeoffs and landings to a full stop at Z40 Goose Bay, plus two go arounds, and some maneuvering practice in the air. The student had some negative habit transfer from his V-22 Osprey experience, primarily with excessive and rapid power changes on approach and overcoming his experience of not using the pedals very much, but was progressing with aircraft control. We returned to PALH and agreed to make another flight after a short break. I think we added about 30 gallons of fuel and were making our first departure, planning to go to Birchwood and try pavement for the first time.

On taking the runway, I did not have my hands or feet directly on the controls. The left crosswind was a few knots more than it had been earlier, and I verbalized keeping left stick to keep the wing down. I was sitting/leaning more to the left to make it easier to push left on the stick if needed and see to the left of the student, but with the left wing low I lost visual reference with the left side runway lights. I was talking through the takeoff, focused on saying "push, push, push" to get the tail up. As I was thinking the tail should be up, I added forward pressure on the stick. As the tail began to rise, the left wing came up toward level and I suddenly realized we were far to the right side of the runway: I saw only brown gravel in my peripheral vision to the left, and only green in my peripheral vision to the right. The aircraft felt like it was at flying speed but still on the ground, and I could not yet see straight ahead over the nose. I did not see any runway lights. I immediately got on the rudder pedals, banked left with aileron and left rudder to regain alignment with the runway and pitched up slightly to leave the ground. At some point in that sequence after I was on the controls, I heard a faint noise that sounded like we had hit what I suspected was a runway light. However, I did not feel the impact and was not sure what part of the aircraft hit the light. I am not sure if both of us or only I was on the controls at impact. After accelerating a bit, I initiated a climb. An aircraft waiting to depart behind us made a comment about the wing and I looked out at both wingtips. I could see there was a tear in the fabric near the left wingtip and informed the tower that we'd be returning to land. The aircraft flew normally with no apparent change in flying qualities or control feel.

After landing, returning to the Echo ramp tiedown, and looking at the wing, I wasn't sure if the damage was substantial or not. I called the ANC Tower at 16:32 local as LHD Tower had requested. I told them that only a small piece of the rib might be on the runway and that I was unsure of the damage classification. Tower said they'd contact the NTSB and call me back if more information was needed. I took some photos of the damage at 16:36. Tower called back at 17:04 but I don't recall the specifics other than that they'd notified the NTSB. After going home and reviewing the NTSB regulatory definitions on-line, it appeared that the aileron damage was an indicator of an accident. NTSB's Clint Johnson called me at 17:40 and we discussed the accident. It was the morning of Tuesday, June 20, that I learned of the spar cracks. The evening of June 20, I talked through the events for the first time with the student. He did not recall ever seeing any runway lights during the takeoff sequence. I felt that the left main tire was in contact with the ground when I began turning the aircraft back toward the runway. The student believes we were already airborne. It is not clear to me when in the sequence of events we hit the light, or whether we were both still on the controls. ForeFlight track log shows a track deviation to right (tail-up?) and my recovery turn to left.

RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)**Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation**

We did not discuss trim before the final takeoff. The aircraft has electric trim (at front seat only) and we largely left it alone during our prior flights, with my estimate of trim set at about 70% nose down. It may be that the tail was slower to come up because of the added fuel, and additional nose-down trim could have helped.

Had we not had the left crosswind, I would have been more in the center of the aircraft and been able to focus on the right side runway lights as well. The takeoff happens quickly in this aircraft with the horsepower and climb prop and I try not to move my head around a lot, rather focusing on peripheral vision and looking over the nose from the upwind side of the student. The crosswind contributed to my lack of visibility out both sides as a result of my position and the left-wing-low takeoff roll. Focusing more on the visibility to both sides peripherally or with slight head movements rather than fixating on the forward view could have allowed me to recognize the drift to the right side of the runway earlier and either tell the student to correct with left rudder or do so myself.

A draft of this form was shared with the student after I submitted the first version on 6/27: he provided some editorial corrections but had no additional descriptions or recommendations. I added the information about my ForeFlight weather briefing and track log, corrected the student's PIC time entry, corrected the July 17 dates to June 17, tightened up some phrases, organization, and spacing to fit the entire narrative history on one page above, added to this recommendations section, and checked "No" mechanical malfunction/failure below. The date of these two submitted versions of the report on the last page reflects the original 06/27 email submission and the 6/29 revisions/additions noted above, emailed 6/30/2023.

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)

35 _____ 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

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Damage to Other Aircraft

☐ Destroyed

☐ Minor

☐ Substantial

☐ None

Registered Owner of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

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 <u>06/30/2023</u> mm/dd/yyyy	Name of Pilot/Operator: <u>David Karalunas</u> Signature: <u>[Signature]</u> -- or -- ☐ Check here to electronically sign this document
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If a Person Other than Pilot/Operator is Filing Report

Name: _____	Title: _____
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