

**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: Rio Rancho State: NM

ZIP: _____ Country: USA

Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____

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

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 08/02/2015 Local Time: 8 Am

mm/dd/yyyy

Time Zone: Denver Mountain

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

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N737 TC

Manufacturer: Thunder + Colt

Model: AX8 SII

Serial Number: 2516 USA

Year of Manufacture: 1993

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

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

Maximum Gross Weight: 2314 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 1370 lbs

Number of Seats: n/a Flight Crew Seats: _____

Cabin Crew Seats: _____ Passenger Seats: _____

Number of Engines: _____

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

Propane

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) Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1							
Eng. 2							
Eng. 3							
Eng. 4							

Last Inspection Type

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

Date Last Inspection: 03/12/2015

mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 198 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:

one fire extinguisher (not used)

Propeller 1

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Propeller 2

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

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: Janet M. Loya Foster

Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No

City: Ranchos de Taos

State: NM

ZIP: 87557

Country: USA

Operator of Aircraft

☒ Same As Registered Owner

☐ Same Address as Registered Owner

Name: _____

City: _____

Doing Business As: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): _____

Country: _____

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: N/A

Airport Identifier: _____

Proximity to Airport: ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☐ On Airport/Airstrip ☒ N/A

Distance From Airport Center: _____ sm

Direction From Airport: _____ degrees true

Airport Elevation: _____ ft. msl

Runway Information

Runway ID: _____ (L/R/C) Length: _____ ft Width: _____ ft

Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)

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

Sage brush

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 ☐ Visual
☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Contact
☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Circling
☐ RNAV ☐ 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

Normal balloon landing

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"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: _____

City of Residence: _____

Middle Initial: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Last Name: _____

Country: _____

Age at time of Accident/Incident: _____ Date of Birth: _____ 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

Medical Certificate Special Issuance

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

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: _____

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

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
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Pilot in Command (PIC)										
Time as Instructor										
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days										
Last 30 Days										
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: _____	☐ Left ☐ Front	☐ None
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ ZIP: _____	☐ Center ☐ Rear	☐ Minor
Last Name: _____	Country: _____	☐ Right ☐ Single	☐ Serious
		☐ Unknown	☐ Fatal
			☐ Unknown
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)		Restraint Type:	Inflatable Restraints
☐ None	☐ Flight Instructor	Available	Used
☐ Private	☐ Recreational	☐ None	☐ None
☐ Student	☐ Sport	☐ Lap Only	☐ Lap Only
	☐ Commercial	☐ 3-point	☐ 3-point
	☐ Airline Transport	☐ 4-point	☐ 4-point
	☐ Flight Engineer	☐ 5-point	☐ 5-point
	☐ US Military	☐ Unknown	☐ Unknown
	☐ Foreign		
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: _____	☐ Left ☐ Front	☐ None
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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: <u>Mark</u> City: <u>Rancho de Taos</u>	<u>N/A</u>	☒ None	Available	Used	<u>59</u>
Middle Initial: _____ State: <u>NM</u> ZIP: <u>87557</u>	☐ Left	☐ Minor	☐ Lap Only	☐ Lap Only	☐ Under 5 years
Last Name: <u>Ruster</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	☐ Center	☐ Serious	☐ 3-point	☐ 3-point	☐ If Under 5,
☐ Crew ☒ Passenger ☐ Other	☐ Right	☐ Fatal	☐ 4-point	☐ 4-point	☐ Child Restraint
	☐ Unknown	☐ Unknown	☐ 5-point	☐ 5-point	☐ Lap-Held
	Row: _____		☐ Unknown	☐ Unknown	☐ Unknown
First Name: _____ City: _____	☐ Left	☐ None	Available	Used	☐ Under 5 years
Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____	☐ Center	☐ Minor	☐ Lap Only	☐ Lap Only	☐ If Under 5,
Last Name: _____ Country: _____	☐ Right	☐ Serious	☐ 3-point	☐ 3-point	☐ Child Restraint
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	Row: _____	☐ Unknown	☐ 5-point	☐ 5-point	☐ Unknown
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	Row: _____	☐ Unknown	☐ 5-point	☐ 5-point	☐ Unknown
			☐ Unknown	☐ Unknown	

FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point Airport ID: <u>N/A</u> City: <u>Rio Rancho (Westside + Vreiser)</u> State: <u>NM</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	Time of Departure Time: <u>7 Am</u> Time Zone: <u>Denver Mountain</u>	Destination Airport ID: <u>N/A</u> City: <u>Rio Rancho</u> State: <u>NM</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	Type Flight Plan Filed ☐ None ☐ VFR/IFR ☐ Company VFR ☐ IFR ☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown ☒ VFR Activated? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown
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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			
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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: <u>5300</u> ft msl <u>upon landing</u>
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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: _____ Observation Time: _____ Time Zone: _____ Distance from Accident Site: _____ nm Direction from Accident Site: _____ degrees true
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Basic Conditions ☒ VMC ☐ IMC ☐ Unknown	Light Condition ☐ Dawn ☐ Dusk ☐ Dark Night ☐ Unknown ☒ Day ☐ Night ☐ Bright Night
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Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition ☐ Clear ☐ Thin Broken ☐ Few ☐ Thin Overcast ☐ Partial Obscuration ☐ Unknown ☒ Scattered Lowest Cloud Condition Height <u>> 10,000</u> ft agl	Ceiling ☐ None (Clear) ☐ Obscured ☒ Broken ☐ Indefinite ☐ Overcast ☐ Unknown Ceiling Height <u>> 10,000</u> ft agl	Temperature: _____ (C) or <u>65 +/-</u> (F) Dew Point: _____ (C) or _____ (F) Altimeter Setting: _____ in. Hg or _____ MB <u>I don't keep this information</u>
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Wind Direction ☒ Variable -or- Direction: _____ degrees true	Wind Speed ☐ Calm ☒ Light and Variable -or- Speed: _____ kts	Wind Gusts ☒ Not Gusting -or- Speed: _____ kts	Visibility <u>7.6</u> miles RVR: _____ feet RVV: _____ miles Density Altitude: _____ ft
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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
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Icing Forecast Amount ☒ None ☐ Trace ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown Type ☒ N/A ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed ☐ Unknown	Icing Actual Amount ☒ None ☐ Trace ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown Type ☒ N/A ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed ☐ Unknown	Turbulence Type (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Clear Air ☐ Terrain-Induced ☐ Convective Turbulence Severity ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Extreme
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NOTAMs (D and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident:

none applicable to VFR flight in my area

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)

n/a

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.

I used internet sites for weather, which included Weather Underground, Blastvalve, and an app on my phone called AeroWeather. I also called Flight Service Station.

This flight was normal in every way. The winds were light and variable, clouds were few and broken, ceiling was greater than 10,000, and visibility was greater than 6 miles.

I chose to launch from a field that many other balloonist use on a daily basis, and that I have used for most of my flights. It is located in Rio Rancho, New Mexico at Westside and Unser on the Southwest corner of the intersection. My inflation and launch were normal, with no unusual events. I launched at approximately 7:05 am.

This was my first flight following my checkride, which I had passed the day prior. I chose my husband as my first passenger.

We flew in a generally Southeast direction, for about 2 ¼ miles, for approximately 45 minutes according to an application on my phone.

As I approached my chosen landing site, I was focused on making sure my passenger was positioned correctly for landing. I warned that we may "hop" a couple of times, and to brace himself and hold on. This is normal procedure. I was pulling my deflation line and focused on maintaining control of the balloon. When we touched the ground the first time, my foot got wedged between the sidewall of the basket and one of my fuel tanks. I felt my ankle break immediately. I asked my passenger to pull the line until he couldn't anymore. We only hopped only once, and came to rest safely. Because we had pulled the line out, the envelope deflated quickly and laid the basket over. This was at approximately 7:50 am.

The field I landed in was adjacent to a housing tract. It was an undeveloped section of land with sage brush. The field is located near the intersection of Irving Blvd NW and Golf Course Road NW behind Planet Fitness.

My passenger had no injuries and not even a scratch. He has experienced these type of landings before.

My system had no damage whatsoever, and another pilot even flew it the following weekend.

911 was called, and I was transported by ambulance to Rust Presbyterian.

RECOMMENDATION How could this accident/incident have been prevented?

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

My foot was simply in the wrong place. An accident can be prevented by maintaining a positive landing posture.

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 INFORMATIONFuel on Board at Last Takeoff
(Convert from pounds, as necessary)45 Gallons

Fuel Type

☐ 80/87☐ 115/145☐ Jet B☒ Other, specify Propane☐ 100 Low Lead☐ Jet A☐ JP8☐ 100/130☐ Jet A-1☐ Automotive

Other Services, if Any, Prior to Departure

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFTWas an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Method of Exit - Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location

Climbed out of basket**OTHER AIRCRAFT - COLLISION** (If a ground or ground-to-air 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.

Reported by phone to FSDO in ARBQ on 8/3/2015

I don't remember who took my information, but I also left a message on Ken Hand's voice mail. He can be reached at [REDACTED]

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

Date of this Report

08/17/2015
mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator: Janet M. Loya Rusler

Signature: [REDACTED]

- or -

☐ Check here to electronically sign this document

If a Person Other than Pilot/Operator is Filing Report

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

- or -

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Name of Investigator
P. Sullivan

Date Report Received
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