



Case Report Summary

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Macomb County Sheriff's Office
ORI Number: MI5015000

Case

Case Number: 2017-00040683
Location: 59819 INDIAN TRL
Ray Township, MI 48096
Reporting Officer ID: 30175 - Allen

Incident Type: GENERAL INFORMATION
Occurred From: 05/27/2017 11:30
Occurred Thru: 05/27/2017 11:30
Disposition: T.O.T. O/ Jurisd
Disposition Date: 05/27/2017
Reported Date: 05/27/2017 11:35 Saturday

Offenses

No.	Group/ORI	Crime Code	Statute	Description	Counts
1	MI5015000	99009	C3750	TRAFFIC COMPLAINT - AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT	1

Subjects

Type	No.	Name	Address	Phone	Race	Sex	DOB/Age
Driver	1	LYNN, CURTIS WAYNE	[REDACTED] Sterling Heights, MI 48313			MALE	[REDACTED] 73
Other	1	GRENIER, GLEN CHARLES	[REDACTED] Ray Township, MI 48096		WHITE	MALE	[REDACTED] 62
Witness	1	HOOVER, THOMAS HENRY	[REDACTED] OXFORD, MI 48371		WHITE	MALE	[REDACTED] 66
Witness	2	FLEMING, WILLIAM PATRICK	[REDACTED] Shelby Township, MI 48315		WHITE	MALE	[REDACTED] 68
Witness	3	GAUTHIER, THEODORE ERNEST	[REDACTED] PONTIAC, MI 48341		WHITE	MALE	[REDACTED] 63
Witness	4	KOHLER, MICHAEL JAY	[REDACTED] Harrison Township, MI 48045		WHITE	MALE	[REDACTED] 67

Arrests

Arrest No.	Name	Address	Date/Time	Type	Age
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Property

Date	Code	Type	Make	Model	Description	Tag No.	Item No.
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Vehicles

No.	Role	Vehicle Type	Year Make	Model	Color	License Plate	State
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EVENT	REPORTED DATE/TIME 5/27/2017 11:35	OCCURRED INCIDENT TYPE GENERAL INFORMATION	
	OCCURRED FROM DATE/TIME 05/27/2017 11:30	OCCURRED THRU DATE/TIME 05/27/2017 11:30	LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE 59819 INDIAN TRL RAY TOWNSHIP, MI 48096

OFFENSES	STATUTE/DESCRIPTION	COUNTS	ATTEMPT/COMMIT
	01 C3750 TRAFFIC COMPLAINT - AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT	1	COMPLETED

SUBJECT	JACKET/SUBJECT TYPE Adult Driver	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE SUFFIX) LYNN, CURTIS, WAYNE		
	DOB [REDACTED]	AGE or AGE RANGE 73	ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP) [REDACTED] STERLING HEIGHTS, MI 48313	
	RACE [REDACTED]	SEX MALE	HEIGHT or RANGE [REDACTED]	WEIGHT or RANGE [REDACTED]
	DL NUMBER/STATE [REDACTED]	PRIMARY PHONE Mobile [REDACTED]	PHONE #2 [REDACTED]	PHONE #3 [REDACTED]
	SCHOOL/EMPLOYER [REDACTED]	PLACE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]	MADEN NAME [REDACTED]	

SUBJECT	JACKET/SUBJECT TYPE Adult Witness	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE SUFFIX) HOOVER, THOMAS, HENRY		
	DOB [REDACTED]	AGE or AGE RANGE 66	ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP) [REDACTED] OXFORD, MI 48371	
	RACE [REDACTED]	SEX MALE	HEIGHT or RANGE [REDACTED]	WEIGHT or RANGE [REDACTED]
	DL NUMBER/STATE [REDACTED]	PRIMARY PHONE Mobile [REDACTED]	PHONE #2 [REDACTED]	PHONE #3 [REDACTED]
	SCHOOL/EMPLOYER [REDACTED]	PLACE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]	MADEN NAME [REDACTED]	

SUBJECT	JACKET/SUBJECT TYPE Adult Witness	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE SUFFIX) FLEMING, WILLIAM, PATRICK		
	DOB [REDACTED]	AGE or AGE RANGE 68	ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP) [REDACTED] SHELBY TOWNSHIP, MI 48315	
	RACE [REDACTED]	SEX MALE	HEIGHT or RANGE [REDACTED]	WEIGHT or RANGE [REDACTED]
	DL NUMBER/STATE [REDACTED]	PRIMARY PHONE Mobile [REDACTED]	PHONE #2 [REDACTED]	PHONE #3 [REDACTED]
	SCHOOL/EMPLOYER [REDACTED]	PLACE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]	MADEN NAME [REDACTED]	

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	DOB	AGE or AGE RANGE	ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP)				
		63	PONTIAC, MI 48341				
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		MALE					
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		Mobile					
	SCHOOL/EMPLOYER	PLACE OF BIRTH		MADEN NAME			

SUBJECT	JACKET/SUBJECT TYPE	Adult	Other	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE SUFFIX)			
				GRENIER, GLEN, CHARLES			
	DOB	AGE or AGE RANGE	ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP)				
		62	RAY TOWNSHIP, MI 48096				
	RACE	SEX	HEIGHT or RANGE	WEIGHT or RANGE	HAIR	EYE	
		MALE					
	DL NUMBER/STATE	PRIMARY PHONE		PHONE #2	PHONE #3		
	SCHOOL/EMPLOYER	PLACE OF BIRTH		MADEN NAME			

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	DOB	AGE or AGE RANGE	ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP)				
		67	HARRISON TOWNSHIP, MI 48045				
	RACE	SEX	HEIGHT or RANGE	WEIGHT or RANGE	HAIR	EYE	
		MALE					
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PROPERTY VEHICLES

PROPERTY VEHICLE	PROPERTY CODE			VALUE
	Informational Non MICR			
	VEH YR	TYPE/MAKE/MODEL		STYLE
	1969	Piper Aircraft		
	PLATE / STATE	VIN	TOP COLOR	BOTTOM COLOR
	N5584U / MI	28-26314	White	White
	ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION			
	MODEL: PA-28-140			

PROPERTY VEHICLE	PROPERTY CODE			VALUE
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	PLATE / STATE	VIN	TOP COLOR	BOTTOM COLOR
	ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION			

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NARRATIVE

Aircraft Accident
Deputy A. Allen #238

ORIGIN

Dispatched to 59819 Indian Trl. for an aircraft accident. Dispatch advised a small plane with a single occupant crashed into a field on the East side of Indian Trl. North of 27 Mile Rd. While enroute, Dispatch stated a paramedic was on scene with the pilot who was trapped in the plane.

INFORMATION

Upon arrival, I observed a white plane with red striping identified by tail number N5584U. The plane was resting on an old trailer and had stopped after striking a tree and tractor parked in the brush. The plane was approximately 700' East of the roadway in an overgrown grass field. The Romeo Community Airport is on the West side of Indian Trl. directly across from the scene. I approached the plane and observed the pilot (Curtis Lynn) laying across the front two seats of the plane bleeding from his nose and mouth.

I made contact with Ted Gauthier and several other witnesses who were around the plane. Gauthier was kneeling on the right wing of the plane supporting Lynn's head and neck. Gauthier informed me Lynn was not trapped in the cockpit but was unable to move due to hip pain and a severe facial laceration. Deputy Morgan arrived on scene with a first aid kit.

Lynn stated he was the only occupant of the plane and had been wearing his seatbelt. Lynn advised he was suffering from pain in his right hip and leg but was not trapped in the plane. I asked Lynn if he was having difficulty breathing or any other injuries and he stated he did not. While speaking to Lynn he did not appear to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

Medstar EMS arrived on scene with Ray Township FD and provided a backboard and neck brace for Lynn. After applying the neck brace, Lynn was moved onto the backboard by paramedics and carried from the scene. Lynn was transported by Medstar to McLaren Macomb for further treatment. Due to Lynn's injuries he was unable to be interviewed further about the situation.

Lynn's wallet and cell phone were obtained from the interior of the plane. Inside Lynn's wallet was his Michigan Driver's License and a Michigan CPL. I looked through the interior of the cockpit for any possible firearms and did not find any. While looking inside the plane I did not

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NARRATIVE (continuation)

observe any alcohol or drugs.

INTERVIEW WITH TED GAUTHIER

After Lynn was transported from the scene I made contact with Gauthier. Gauthier stated he was at the Ray Community Airport (59819 Indian Trl) and witnessed the plane crash. Gauthier advised the plane made several attempts to land and crashed after passing the runway. Gauthier informed deputies he had recorded most of the incident and would attempt to transfer the video from his phone to be obtained by an evidence tech.

Gauthier stated he responded to the crash scene from the airport and assisted Lynn. Lynn was wearing a seat belt upon Gauthier's arrival. Gauthier advised he is a pilot as well as an off-duty firefighter/paramedic.

INTERVIEW WITH MICHAEL KOHLER

Kohler was located at the Ray Community Airport by Deputies and agreed to complete a witness statement. Kohler stated he has flown with Lynn twice within the past three months as Lynn recently purchased the aircraft. Kohler advised he arrived at the airport to prevent Lynn from flying as he did not believe he was competent to pilot the plane.

Kohler stated Lynn attempted several times to land and on each attempt was too high and too fast for a safe landing. On the third and final attempt the plane's nose wheel struck the ground and was damaged. The plane continued across Indian Trl. before coming to rest in the field.

Kohler stated Lynn's traffic patterns, approaches, and landings were substandard for the level of license he holds. (See witness statement)

PROPERTY OWNER

The field across from the Ray Community Airport is owned by Glen Grenier. Grenier lives adjacent to the field [REDACTED] Several witnesses on scene stated the land is leased by the airport and kept clear of trees to ensure safe landings of aircraft approaching the runway. Grenier was unable to be contacted as he is out of the country.

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EVIDENCE/PROPERTY

Deputy Bosek responded to the scene to conduct tech work. See supplemental report.

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

The aircraft involved in the accident is a 1969 Piper (Model PA-28-140). The plane's tail number is N5584U, S/N: 28-26314, and it is white in color with red stripes.

DISPOSITION

Sgt. Medley was briefed on scene.

The Federal Aviation Administration was contacted. The FAA advised they were sending a field investigator from Detroit.

Witness statements obtained from Michael Kohler, William Fleming, and Thomas Hoover were taken to Station 10 to be attached to this report.

Curtis Lynn was transported to McLaren Macomb by Medstar for further treatment.

A UD-21 (State of Michigan Aircraft Accident Report) was completed and attached to this report.

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ADDITIONAL SUBJECTS

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	DOB [REDACTED]		AGE or AGE RANGE 66				
	ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP) [REDACTED]		OXFORD, MI 48371				
	RACE [REDACTED]		SEX MALE	HEIGHT or RANGE [REDACTED]	WEIGHT or RANGE [REDACTED]	HAIR [REDACTED]	EYE [REDACTED]
	DL NUMBER/STATE [REDACTED]		PRIMARY PHONE Mobile [REDACTED]		PHONE #2 Home [REDACTED]		PHONE #3 [REDACTED]
	SCHOOL/EMPLOYER [REDACTED]			PLACE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]		MAIDEN NAME [REDACTED]	

SUBJECT	JACKET/SUBJECT TYPE Adult Witness		NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE SUFFIX) FLEMING, WILLIAM, PATRICK				
	DOB [REDACTED]		AGE or AGE RANGE 68				
	ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP) [REDACTED]		SHELBY TOWNSHIP, MI 48315				
	RACE [REDACTED]		SEX MALE	HEIGHT or RANGE [REDACTED]	WEIGHT or RANGE [REDACTED]	HAIR [REDACTED]	EYE [REDACTED]
	DL NUMBER/STATE [REDACTED]		PRIMARY PHONE Home [REDACTED]		PHONE #2 [REDACTED]		PHONE #3 [REDACTED]
	SCHOOL/EMPLOYER [REDACTED]			PLACE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]		MAIDEN NAME [REDACTED]	

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SUPPLEMENTAL NARRATIVE

ORIGIN:

On 5/27/2017 at approximately 1136 hours I heard Dispatch advise several Deputies of a plane crash that just occurred in the area of Indian Trail and 27 Mile Rd. As I was closer than several other units dispatched I responded from New Haven to the area. While enroute Dispatch advised that the address of occurrence was 59819 Indian Trail. Dispatch also advised that the person inside of the plane was breathing and conscious but was trapped in the plane.

INFORMATION:

Deputy Allen arrived on scene prior to my arrival. Upon my arrival Dep. Allen advised me of the planes location which was in a field area approximately 600' - 700' east of Indian Trail. The field the plane was in was part of the property located at 59600 Indian Trail. The Ray Township Community Airport is located directly to the west of this field area and on the west side of Indian Trail.

When walking to the plane area I observed that it was white in color with red striping and had a plane number of N55844. The plane was facing a northeastern direction. The plane was in an area that had multiple small trees and thicker brush. The plane appeared to be partially resting on a small utility trailer.

I made contact with a male who was later identified as Ted Gauthier. Gauthier advised that he was an off duty Paramedic and Firefighter in addition to being a pilot. Gauthier was assisting with supporting a males head up that was partially out of the passenger side aircraft door. This male was later identified as Curtis Wayne Lynn [REDACTED] who was also identified as the pilot of the plane. Lynn had an obvious wound to his nose area that was bleeding heavily at one point but had since slowed. Lynn was complaining of leg pain as both legs were still in the plane under the instrument panel but were free of obvious obstruction.

There was no other occupants inside of the plane.

Gauthier advised me that when he arrived on scene Lynn only had a lap belt on as this style of aircraft does not have shoulder belts. Gauthier also advised that he witnessed the accident and has the incident on video. See Deputy Allen's report for further information.

The Ray Township Fire Department and Medstar Ambulance arrived on scene to assist. I assisted them with the removal of Lynn as I held the backboard in place. We then carried Lynn on the backboard to a waiting stretcher before moving him to the rear of the Medstar Ambulance. It should be noted that Lynn had a hard time hearing our questions as he said he lost his hearing aid. While speaking to Lynn I did not notice any smell of intoxicants coming from his person. At

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this time Lynn was unable to be interviewed to determine what happened.

Medstar Ambulance transported Lynn to McLaren Macomb for medical treatment.

Sgt. Medley arrived on scene and was briefed on the situation.

ADDITIONAL SCENE OBSERVATIONS:

While in the area on Indian Trail between the crash site and the airport, I observed three narrow paths in the field area to the east of Indian Trail possibly indicating the path of travel of the plane.

I also observed three short markings on the west edge of Indian Trail which is a dirt roadway. These markings appeared to be in relation to the markings observed in the field area.

While observing the runway area from Indian Trail there was also a distinct black mark that curved which may be from the plane before it left the runway.

These observations were pointed out to ET Bosek who arrived on scene to assist. See ET Bosek's supplemental report.

I then made the Ray Township Community Airport to see if there were any witnesses to this accident. I made contact with both a William Patrick Fleming(5/31/1948) and a Thomas Henry Hoover [REDACTED] who both advised they witnesses the plane crash.

INTERVIEW WITH THOMAS HOOVER:

Hoover advised that he observed the aircraft make several attempts to land. Hoover stated that the last time the plane came in for a landing it landed nose down approximately 3/4 of the way down the runway. This impact caused the nose wheel to break and Hoover observed the plane go across Indian Trail and into the field. Hoover completed a witness statement per my request.

INTERVIEW WITH WILLIAM FLEMING:

Fleming advised that he was standing near one of the hangers in the northwest corner of the airport property when he observed an airplane landing eastbound on runway 9. Flemming believes that the plane was going to fast and was unable to stop before the end of the runway. Fleming then observed the plane go off of the east end of the runway and across Indian Trail before entering a field area on the opposite side of the road. Fleming completed a witness statement per my request.

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I questioned several people at the airport hanger about a log for Lynn's flight today. They did not believe he filed one but would possibly be exempt from doing so under the federal visual flight rules. I was advised that these rules allow you to fly without having to notify anyone of doing so.

DISPOSITION:

The witness statements were turned over to Deputy Allen. I cleared without incident.

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Morgan, Clifton

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ADDITIONAL SUBJECTS

SUBJECT	JACKET/SUBJECT TYPE		NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE SUFFIX)				
	DOB		AGE or AGE RANGE		ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP)		
	RACE		SEX	HEIGHT or RANGE	WEIGHT or RANGE	HAIR	EYE
	DL NUMBER/STATE		PRIMARY PHONE		PHONE #2		PHONE #3
	SCHOOL/EMPLOYER			PLACE OF BIRTH		MADEN NAME	

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SUPPLEMENTAL NARRATIVE

DATE: 05-27-2017

INCIDENT: 40683-17

ORIGIN: An Evidence Technician was requested near 59600 Indian Trail for a plane crash.

INFORMATION: I arrived and Deputies Allen, Morgan Jr., Sgt. Medley and Captain Roberts were on scene. I observed a small red and white plane (N5584U) at rest just north of the address, approximately 600 feet east of Indian Trail. I observed damage to several areas on the plane. The right door was open. I observed blood on the right side door panel and on the right side floor board. I was informed the plane operator was transported to the hospital prior to my arrival.

There were three tracks in the grass leading up to the plane. There was a broken wooden fence on the east side of Indian Trail that the plane appeared to have struck along its path.

OBSERVATIONS ON RAY TOWNSHIP AIRPORT RUNWAY: I observed the beginning of a curved tire mark approximately 250 feet west onto the Ray Township runway located on the west side of Indian Trail. The tire mark had a gap with a white scuff, then continued to the end of the runway. The tire mark was consistent with the path of the tracks in the grass leading up to the plane.

PHOTOGRAPHS: I used the Canon 7D Mark II digital camera to photograph the scene. The images were saved to a media card.

VIDEO: I used the video option on the Canon 7D Mark II digital camera to record a cell phone video of the incident. The footage was saved to a media card and later uploaded to the photo network. **NOTE:** Recording the footage from the cell phone with the Canon is not very clear. I requested the video be emailed to me so a clearer video can be uploaded into the incident folder.

SCENE MEASUREMENTS: I utilized the Faro Focus X330 3D scanner to document the scene. Eleven scans were recorded and saved to a media card. The scans were later downloaded into the Faro scene software.

DISPOSITION: I uploaded the images from the media card to the photo network. I created a CD-R containing the photos and placed them at the front desk for the FAA.

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SUPERVISOR SUMMARY
(Aircraft accident)

ORIGIN:

On 5/27/17 at or about 11:35am Dispatch advised 10 cars of an aircraft that had crashed in the area of 27 Mile Rd and Indian Trail in Ray Township. I responded to this aircraft accident from the area of Hall Rd. and Gratiot Ave. As I was en route to this call, Dispatch advised that the pilot was trapped inside the plane; he was conscious and breathing. Several units [REDACTED] informed Dispatch that they were responding to area of the crash.

INFORMATION:

Upon arrival to the scene, I observed several Ray Township fire and rescue vehicles and a MedStar vehicle on Indian Trail directly across from the runway of the Ray Community Airport. As I approached, I observed medical personnel and several Deputies in a field on the East side of the road just north of 59600 Indian Trail.

After exiting my vehicle, I could see the tail end of an aircraft. the majority of the aircraft could not be seen from the roadway. The plane was approximately 600 ft east of Indian trail. As I approached the aircraft, I was informed by Ray Fire personnel that MedStar medics were treating the pilot of the downed aircraft inside the MedStar ambulance for injuries sustained in the in the crash.

I spoke with Deputies Tabor, Morgan II, and Allen who had been on scene for several minutes. I was briefed on the information they knew and informed me that Captain John Roberts was on scene. I spoke with Captain Roberts who asked me to direct all inquiries from the press directly to him. I told him I would. I informed Captain Roberts that I would remain on scene until all units clear and our assistance to the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) is no longer needed.

Dispatch contacted the FAA per dispatch protocol. I contacted Shift Commander Lt. Misch and informed her of the situation. I was informed that a representative from the FAA would be given my phone number for direct on scene contact. At or about 1300, I was contacted on my cell phone by FAA Operations Officer Lori Homer [REDACTED] Ms. Homer is based out of the regional operations center for the FAA in Fort Worth Texas. Upon her request, I provided Ms. Homer preliminary on scene investigative information. She stated to me that she would provide my cell phone number to Mr. Larry McKillop, who is one of the Michigan FAA Inspectors based out of Ypsilanti [REDACTED] Before the conversation ended with Ms. Homer, she stated to me that the NTSB will give authority to Mr. McKillop to release the aircraft on scene.

At 1350 I received a phone call from Mr. McKillop. He stated that he was enroute to

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SUPPLEMENTAL NARRATIVE (continuation)

investigate the crash and that he was coming from Brighton. Mr. McKillop arrived on scene at 1505 along with an additional FAA investigator. Upon Mr. McKillop's arrival, I briefed him on the events that had transpired. At this point, he started his investigation.

During Mr. McKillop's investigation, I informed him that our Evidence Technician, Dep. Joe Bosek conducted evidence tech services prior to his arrival. I also provided Mr. McKillop detailed information concerning witnesses to the crash, pilot information, and potential video evidence of the crash caught on cell phone.

At or about 1800, Mr. McKillops concluded his investigation. He spoke on the phone with his supervisor(s), who in turn gave him permission to release the aircraft on scene. I was asked by Mr/. McKillop to assist with covering the aircraft with tarps to conceal the aircraft as much as possible and to cover the tail I.D # (N5584U). Also assisting with this process was Deputy Ken Willis. Once the aircraft was covered, Mr. McKillop and his partner cleared the scene. The aircraft was left in place in the field until it could be removed at a later date.

DISPOSITION:

I contacted Chief of Staff Captain Roberts and informed him that the FAA concluded their investigation and that the aircraft was covered and remained in place. Specific information concerning first responder actions, aircraft information, eye witness accounts, and other pertinent information concerning this incident is detailed in case report(s) #40683. I was emailed by Mr. Mike Kohler and Mr. Ted Gauthier the following day of the incident. They both sent me cell phone video footage of the crash. FAA Investigator McKillop was made aware of the cell phone video footage of the accident. I provided to Mr. McKillop the MCSO report number concerning our involvement in responding to this incident.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT REPORT

1. REPORT NO. 40683-17 DEPARTMENT Macomb County Sheriff's Office

2. LOCATION OF ACCIDENT

COUNTY MacombNAME OF AIRPORT Ray CommunityDISTANCE & DIRECTION FROM CITY OR NEAREST INTERSECTION 27 Mile/Indian Td.COMPLAINT CLOSED BY: ☐ ARREST ☐ SERVICE RENDERED ☐ OTHER☐ CITY OR VILLAGE OR☒ TWP. Ray☐ SECTION NO.COMP. OR CASE NO. 40683-17

FILE CLASS.

DATE 5/27/17TIME 1130

3. PILOT AT CONTROLS

NAME & ADDRESS Curtis W. LynnSterling Hts, MI

DATE OF BIRTH

4. CERTIFICATES

PILOTS CERTIFICATE NO.

TYPE: ☐ STUDENT ☒ PRIVATE ☐ COMM.☐ MILITARY CAA MEDICAL CERT. CLASS

DATE ISSUED

RATINGS

☒ AIRPLANE☐ INSTRUCTOR☒ LAND☐ SEA☐ AIRLINE☒ SINGLE ENGINE☐ GLIDER☐ INSTRUMENT☐ MULTIENGINE☐ ROTORCRAFT☐ OTHER

5. PILOT EXPERIENCE

TOTAL TIME (HOURS)

TIME IN MODEL FLOWN

(HOURS)

6. AIRCRAFT

MAKE AND MODEL Piper PA-28-140

CAA REG. NO.

ENGINE MAKE O-320 Series HORSEPOWER

STATE REG. NO.

DATE

OWNER Curtis W. Lynn

ADDRESS

Sterling Hts, MI 48313

DESCRIBE AIRCRAFT DAMAGE

Damaged landing gear, left cockpit door dented,
damage to wings, severe front end damage.

VIOLATION INDICATED - DESCRIBE

7. OTHER AIRCRAFT (Involved)

MAKE AND MODEL

NAME AND ADDRESS OF OWNER

8. WEATHER

☒ CLEAR☐ RAIN☐ THUNDERSTORM☐ FOG☐ SNOW☐ OTHER☐ DAWN☐ DUSK☐ NIGHT☒ DAY

9. NATURE OF FLIGHT

☐ CROP DUSTING OR SPRAYING☐ TAXIING☐ BUSINESS☐ INSTRUCTION☒ PLEASURE☐ AIRLINE☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER

10. INJURED

NAME

ADDRESS

AGE SEX

Curtis W. LynnSterling Hts, MI 4831373 y.o.M

TAKEN TO

McLaren Macomb

HOSPITAL

11. WITNESSES

NAME Thomas Haver

ADDRESS

Oxford, MINAME William Fleming

ADDRESS

Shelby Twp MINAME Theodore Gauthier

ADDRESS

Pontiac, MINAME Michael Kohler

ADDRESS

Harrison Twp. MI

12. REMARKS - (Describe what happened)



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Last Name: <u>KONCERN</u>		First Name: <u>MICHAEL</u>	Middle: <u>J</u>
Street Address: <u>[REDACTED]</u>		City, State & Zip: <u>HARRISON TWP MI 48045</u>	Date of Birth: <u>[REDACTED]</u>
Home Phone #: <u>222</u>	Cell Phone #: <u>[REDACTED]</u>	Complaint #: <u>40883-17</u>	
Statement: <u>ABOUT 11:30 AM TODAY I MADE AN ATTEMPT TO PREVENT</u> <u>MURDOCK LYNN FROM TAKING OFF IN HIS AIRPLANE,</u> <u>SSB44. I WAS NOT SUCCESSFUL, MR LYNN DEPARTED</u> <u>BEFORE I COULD INTERVENE. I HAD FLOWN WITH MR LYNN</u> <u>TWICE IN THE PAST 3 WEEKS, SO THAT HE WOULD BECOME</u> <u>COMFORTABLE IN THE AIRCRAFT HE HAD JUST PURCHASED.</u> <u>MR LYNN WAS NOT COMPETENT TO OPERATE SSB44.</u> <u>AFTER DEPARTING, MR. LYNN RETURNED TO RAY ABOUT</u> <u>11:45, AND MADE SEVERAL ATTEMPTS TO LAND.</u> <u>ON MOST APPROACHES HE WAS VERY TOO HIGH AND VERY</u> <u>FAST. THE FIRST ATTEMPT INVOLVED A VERY HARD</u> <u>NOSEWHEEL FIRST TOUCHDOWN THAT DAMAGED THE</u> <u>NOSEWHEEL. THE AIRCRAFT CONTINUED ACROSS</u> <u>INDIAN TRAIL AND STOPPED IN A SMALL WOODED</u> <u>AREA EAST OF THE AIRPORT. MR. LYNN WAS</u> <u>NOT ^{COMPETENT} QUALIFIED TO OPERATE THIS AIRCRAFT. THE ^{HAVING}</u> <u>PERSON WITH HIM, HIS TRAFFIC PATTERN, APPROACHES</u> <u>AND LANDINGS WERE VERY SUBSTANTIAL FOR</u> <u>THE LICENSE HE HELD. I DISCUSSED THIS WITH</u> <u>HM ON OUR LAST FLIGHT, AND</u>			
Signature: <u>[REDACTED]</u>		Date/Time: <u>5.27.17 1:30 PM</u>	



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Last Name: <u>ILORTCH</u>		First Name: <u>MICHAEL</u>	Middle: <u>/</u>
Street Address: [REDACTED]		City, State & Zip: <u>HARRISON Twp MI 48045</u>	Date of Birth: [REDACTED]
Home Phone #:	Cell Phone #: [REDACTED]	Complaint #: <u>40683-17</u>	

Statement:

TOOK HIM HE NEEDED ALOT OF WORK/PRACTICE,
AND THAT HE NEEDED TO BE RIDING WITH A
COMPETENT PILOT, OR INSTRUCTOR, MR LYNN
HAS SHOWN A DISREGARD FOR HIS OWN
PERSONAL SAFETY AND THAT OF OTHERS
AROUND HIM. HIS ACTIONS ^{WERE} ~~ARE~~ RECKLESS
OPERATION OF AN AIRCRAFT AND A TOTAL
DISREGARD OF LIFE

Signature: [REDACTED]

Date/Time:

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Last Name: FLEMING		First Name: WILLIAM	Middle: PATRICK
Street Address: [REDACTED]		City, State & Zip: SHELBY TWP	Date of Birth: [REDACTED]
Home Phone #: [REDACTED]	Cell Phone #:		Complaint #: 40683-17
Statement: <i>I was standing near the hangars at in the Northwest quadrant of the airport and observed an airplane landing eastbound on Runway 9. It appears he was going fast and was unable to stop the plane before the end of the runway. The plane went off the east end of the runway, across Indian Trail and into the field on the opposite side of the road.</i>			
Signature: [REDACTED]		Date/Time: 5-27-17 12:45 PM	



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Last Name: <u>HOOVER</u>		First Name: <u>THOMAS</u>	Middle: <u>HENRY</u>
Street Address: [REDACTED]		City, State & Zip: <u>OXFORD, MI 48371</u>	Date of Birth: [REDACTED]
Home Phone #: [REDACTED]	Cell Phone #: [REDACTED]	Complaint #: <u>40683-17</u>	
Statement: <u>THE AIRCRAFT MADE SEVERAL ATTEMPTS TO</u> <u>CAND. WITHOUT SUCCESS - THE LAST TIME</u> <u>HE CAME IN AND LANDED NOSE DOWN</u> <u>3/4 DOWN THE RUNWAY BROKE THE NOSE</u> <u>WHEEL AND CONTINUED ACROSS ROAD AND</u> <u>INTO FIELD.</u>			
S. [REDACTED]		Date/Time: <u>5-27-2017 1:40 PM</u>	