

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: Leadville State: CO

ZIP: 80461 Country: Lake

Latitude: 39.22 Longitude: 106.32

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

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 9 24 20 Local Time: _____
mm/dd/yyyy

Time Zone: mtn

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

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N525 PP

Manufacturer: Kitfox exp

Model: IV Speedster

Serial Number: 069

Year of Manufacture: 98

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

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

Maximum Gross Weight: 1300 lbs
Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 1200 lbs

Number of Seats: 2 Flight Crew Seats: _____

Cabin Crew Seats: _____ Passenger Seats: _____

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/Serial	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	Bombardier	Rotax 912ULs	TE 49087		100	2380	22	
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

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

Date Last Inspection: _____

Airframe Total Time: 2380 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: Halon Hand Held

Propeller 1

- ☒ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: Warp Drive

Model: _____

Propeller 2

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: Warp Drive

Model: _____

ELT Installed: ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:
ELT Manufacturer: _____
Model or Part No.: _____
TSO No.: ☐ OC91 (121.5 MHz) ☐ OC91a (121.5 MHz)
☐ OC126 (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: Paul H PhillipsFractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No**Operator of Aircraft** ☐ Same As Registered Owner ☐Name: Paul H Phillips

Doing Business As: _____

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

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 County AirportAirport Identifier: KLXVProximity to Airport: ☒ Off Airport/Airstrip ☐ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/ADistance From Airport Center: 800 ftDirection From Airport: West degrees trueAirport Elevation: 10000 ft. msl**Runway Information**Runway ID: 34 (L/R/C) Length: 6400 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 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: None

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 <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Available</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Used</th> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ None</td> <td>☐ None</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ Lap only</td> <td>☐ Lap only</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☒ 3-point</td> <td>☐ 3-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 4-point</td> <td>☐ 4-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 5-point</td> <td>☐ 5-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ Unknown</td> <td>☐ Unknown</td> </tr> </table>	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				
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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
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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										
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 ☐ Center ☐ Right	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ ZIP: _____	☐ Front ☐ Rear ☐ Single ☐ Unknown	
Last Name: _____	Country: _____		
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	

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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
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Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____	Row: _____				☐ Under 5 years
Last Name: _____ Country: _____					If Under 5, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other					
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☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other					

FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point Airport ID: <u>KLXV</u> City: <u>Leadville</u> State: <u>Colorado</u> Country: <u>Lake</u>	Time of Departure Time: <u>12:30</u> Time Zone: <u>MTN</u>	Destination Airport ID: <u>KBJC</u> City: <u>Broomfield</u> State: <u>CO</u> Country: <u>Jefferson</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

Airspace where the accident/incident occurred (Check all that apply)

☐ Class A	☐ Class G	☐ Military Operations Area (MOA)	☐ Special	Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence: <u>10,000</u> ft msl
☐ 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		

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: ASOS
Observation Time: 12:00
Time Zone: MTN
Distance from Accident Site: 800 feet 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

Ceiling

☒ None (Clear) ☐ Obscured
☐ Broken ☐ Indefinite
☐ Overcast ☐ Unknown

Temperature: _____ (C) or _____ (F)

Dew Point: _____ (C) or _____ (F)

Altimeter Setting: _____ in. Hg
or _____ MB

Lowest Cloud Condition Height

_____ ft agl

Ceiling Height

_____ ft agl

Wind Direction

☐ Variable

-or-
Direction: 80° degrees true

Wind Speed

☐ Calm
☐ Light and Variable

-or-
Speed: 8 kts

Wind Gusts

☒ Not Gusting

-or-
Speed: _____ kts

Visibility Clear 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:

NGWC

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)*

prop blades broken 3 carbon fiber - Airframe
bent (R) wing moderate damage - Rudder
bent - Landing Gear bent

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

See 6 handwritten pages

RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

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)

24 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

I plugged a tygon vent line to Left Bing Carburetor
inadvertent

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

OTHER AIRCRAFT – COLLISION (If air or ground collision occurred, complete this section for other aircraft)

Aircraft Registration Number

Manufacturer: _____

Model: Neale

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>10 3 20</u> mm/dd/yyyy	Name of Pilot/Operator: <u>Paul H Phillips</u> Signature: <u>Paul H Phillips</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: _____
Signature: _____	
- or - ☐ Check here to electronically sign this document	

FOR NTSB USE ONLY

NTSB Accident/Incident No. CEN20LA424	Reviewed by NTSB Regional Office Central Region	Name of Investigator Lemishko	Date Report Received 10/5/2020
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9-27-20

① Summary of events aircraft accident
Thursday September 24th 2020 at
Leadville Colorado. (Kitfox N525PP
Model IV Speedster) Pilot/Builder is
Paul H. Phillips based at KBJC in
Broomfield Colorado.

On September 22nd Tuesday morning,
I flew Kitfox 525PP from KBJC to KLXV
with my highest altitude being 13,500 ft
msl and engine (Rotax 912 u/s 100hp) performing
normally. This was my 2nd trip to Leadville
in my Kitfox so I was confident of its
capabilities to make this high altitude flight.
It was raining at Leadville when I landed
Tuesday 22 Sept. around noon. I tied the
aircraft down and went to Keystone ski area.
where I met my wife who had driven up from
our home in Golden Co. To back up a bit, I
had opened the Left, pilot side of the cowl,
to check the tigon fuel line running from
the primer on the instrument panel to the
carburetor on the pilot side of the engine
and found that it had detached from the
carb and was dangling freely. This primer
(At this time I simply plugged the primer line with a screw)
(since engine performance was normal + no smell of fuel)

② line had been a problem on a previous flight from KBJC to Custer state Park in South Dakota a couple weeks earlier. There had been a smell of fuel in the cabin and the fuel burn had been almost twice as much as I expected but engine performance was Normal. I found that the tygon fuel line was split open where it attached to the carburetor. That primer line was repaired and the return flight to KBJC was Normal.

The accident flight itself ---
I got to the Leadville airport KLXV around noon on 24 Sept. Taxied the Kifox to selfserve 100ll and filled tanks on both sides to filler cap, checked oil level, & completed the pre-flight, and got the ATIS. Wind was from North. I did the run-up on the ramp & did mag checks up to 4000 rpm. Announced back-taxi on Rwy 34 since there was no parallel taxiway. At the Numbers of 16 I turned & lined up for Rwy 34 departure. Because of the high altitude 10,000 ft & the high density altitude of about 13,000 ft & full tanks I was a bit Nervous.

③ The initial run-up for take-off seemed Normal but I was using more runway than I expected, I pulled off a bit early + the plane came off the runway + then settled back to the surface + then took off the runway. The aircraft was not climbing normally. I kept eyes outside not looking at instruments till I was nearing the departure end of the runway. When I looked at instruments and saw engine RPMs at the low 4000s + I was not climbing out of ground effect. There is a sharp drop-off at the North end of Rwy 34 and at that point the airplane was descending despite wide-open-throttle. I called Unicom 122.8 + announced return-to-land + made the 180° turn back. At that point options were one: land straight ahead into a field of shortish pine trees, which I did. The right wing struck a 4 inch tree trunk at about 6 ft off the ground + then hit a smaller

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pine tree about a 2 1/2 inch thick trunk + sheared it off. The plane came to rest against another pine with branches against the pilot (L) side door. I was seemingly uninjured + was able to push open the door + maneuver away from the plane. Gasoline was flowing through the vent tubes of both gas tanks. The right wing had broken the front spar attachment free from fuselage attachment and folded backward. The rudder was bent badly; the tail wheel springs were twisted left. The "Warp Drive" 3 blade carbon fiber propeller blades had shattered; the fuselage toward the tail was structurally deformed. I called unicom + gave them my GPS coordinates + soon help arrived. I did not feel significant bodily injury and I refused examination or treatment. The EMT + Fire fighters + County (Lake County) guys took over + loaded the plane + delivered it to the FBO at KLXV. My wife picked me up + we drove back home to Golden

① Addendum To

Kitfox Accident At Leadville Colorado

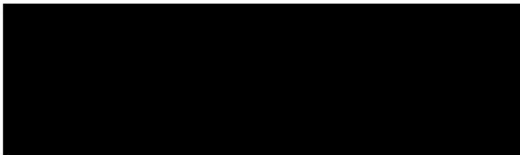
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On Thursday Oct 1st this damaged aircraft was transferred from KLVX to KBJC by some of my fellow Kitfox builders. They were able to find the cause of the severely degraded engine (Rotax 912uls) performance. They found that the left carburetor breather tube which allows pressures within the carburetor to be released into the Air filter.

I had plugged that tube with a screw the afternoon of Sept 22 after Arriving^{at} Leadville from Rocky Mountain Metro Airport KBJC. I had been worried about a carb primer tube which had come loose two times previously. I had opened the cowl and saw a loose end of tygon tubing & thinking it was a primer line, I plugged it with the screw. That action created back pressure

② against incoming fuel Thus rendering the left two engine cylinders fuel starved! This was the cause of the accident. The accident could have been prevented, of course, if I had recognized the compromised engine performance during run-up or take off roll. Sadly that didn't happen.

I am a very lucky old man and lucky to have learned that it is my time to ^{end} my aviation experience.



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