

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

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

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Bedminster State: NJ
 ZIP: 07921 Country: USA
 Latitude: 40:37.61 N (dd:mm:ss N/S) Longitude: 074:40.51 W (ddd:mm:ss E/W)

Date/Time

Date: 03/02/2012 Local Time: 1800
 mm/dd/yyyy Time Zone: EST

Phase of Operation

☐ Standing ☐ Takeoff (incl. initial climb) ☐ Cruise ☐ Hover
☐ Taxi ☐ Climb ☐ Maneuvering ☐ Other
☐ Descent ☒ Landing ☐ Approach ☐ Unknown

Collision with Other Aircraft

☐ Midair
☐ On-ground
☒ None

Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence

ft MSL

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Manufacturer: American Champion Aircraft

Model: 7GCAA

Serial Number: 5182009

Registration Number: N518F

Amateur-built: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Max Gross Weight: 1,750 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 1,748 lbs

Location of Center of Gravity at Time of Accident/Incident:

17.3 inches from ☐ nose or ☒ datum
 -or- Percent Mean Aerodynamic Cord (% MAC)

Category of Aircraft

☒ Airplane
☐ Balloon
☐ Blimp/Dirigible
☐ Glider
☐ Gyrocraft
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered lift
☐ Ultralight
☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate (Check all that apply)

Standard
☒ Normal
☐ Utility
☒ Acrobatic
☐ Transport

Special
☐ Restricted
☐ Limited
☐ Provisional
☐ Experimental
☐ Special Flight
☐ Light Sport

Number of Seats: 2

If Large Aircraft, how many seats for:

Flight Crew: _____

Cabin Crew: _____

Passengers: _____

Landing Gear ☐ Retractable

Check any additional landing gear configuration that applies:

☐ Tricycle ☒ Tailwheel
☐ Amphibian ☐ High Skid
☐ Emergency Float ☐ Skid
☐ Float ☐ Ski
☐ Hull ☐ Ski/Wheel
☐ Unknown

Type of Maintenance Program

☒ Annual
☐ Conditional (Amateur-built only)
☐ Manufacturer's Inspection Program
☐ Other Approved Inspection Program (AAIP)
☐ Continuous Airworthiness
☐ Other, specify: _____

Last Inspection Type

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

Date Last Inspection: 09/29/2011

mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 273 hrs

hours measured at (check one)

☐ Last Inspection ☒ Time of Accident/Incident

IFR Equipped

☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Stall Warning System Installed

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Type of Fire Extinguishing System

☐ None
☒ Specify Hand Extinguisher

ELT Installed

☒ Yes ☐ No

ELT Activated

☒ Yes ☐ No

ELT Manufacturer: Ameri-King

Model/Series: AK-450

Serial Number: 495714

ELT Aided in Locating Accident/Incident

☐ Yes ☒ No

Battery Type: _____

Battery Exp. Date: 03/2013

Engine Type

☒ Reciprocating ☐ Turbo Jet
☐ Turbo Shaft ☐ Turbo Fan
☐ Turbo Prop ☐ Unknown

Reciprocating Fuel System Type

☒ Carburetor
☐ Fuel Injected

Propeller

☒ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch

Manufacturer: Sensenich

Model: 74DM658-1-56

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. mm/dd/yyyy	Engine Rated Power Measured as (check one) ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since Inspection (hours)	Time Since Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	Lycoring	O-320-B2B	L-2366-39E	06/26/2009	160	273		
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION**Registered Aircraft Owner**Name: Cinco de Flyo, LLCFractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No**Owner Address**City: BridgewaterState: NJ ZIP: 08807Country: USA**Operator of Aircraft**☐ Same As Registered Owner

Name: _____

Doing Business As: _____

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

Operator Address☐ Same As Registered Owner

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Regulation Flight Conducted Under

- | | | | |
|--|----------------------------------|---|--|
| ☒ FAR 91 | ☐ FAR 129 | ☐ FAR 91 Special Flight | ☐ Public Use (select type) |
| ☐ FAR 103 | ☐ FAR 133 | ☐ Non-US, Commercial | ☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ Local |
| ☐ FAR 121 | ☐ FAR 135 | ☐ Non-US, Non-commercial | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ FAR 125 | ☐ FAR 137 | ☐ Armed Forces | |

Revenue Sightseeing Flight☐ Yes ☒ No**Air Medical Flight**☐ Yes ☒ No**Purpose of Flight**

for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137 (Select one)

- | |
|---|
| ☐ Personal |
| ☐ Business |
| ☐ Executive/Corporate |
| ☐ Other Work Use |
| ☒ Instructional |
| ☐ Ferry |
| ☐ Positioning |
| ☐ Aerial Application |
| ☐ Aerial Observation |
| ☐ Air Drop |
| ☐ Air Race / Show |
| ☐ Flight Test |
| ☐ Public Use |
| ☐ Unknown |

Revenue Operation

for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135 (Select one)

- | |
|--|
| ☐ Scheduled or Commuter |
| ☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi |

Domestic or International☐ Domestic ☐ International**Cargo Operation**

- | |
|--|
| ☐ Passenger/Cargo |
| ☐ Passenger _____ How many? |
| ☐ Cargo _____ lbs |
| ☐ Mail |

Type of Commercial Operating Certificate Held

(Check all that apply)

- | |
|---|
| ☒ None |
| ☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (121) |
| ☐ Supplemental |
| ☐ Air Cargo |
| ☐ Foreign Air Carriers (129) |
| ☐ Commuter Air Carrier (135) |
| ☐ On-Demand Air Taxi (135) |
| ☐ Large Helicopter (127) |
| ☐ Rotorcraft External Load (133) |
| - or - |
| ☐ Agricultural Aircraft (137) |
| ☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft |

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

First Name: _____

Middle Initial: _____

Last Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Pilot of Other Aircraft

First Name: _____

Middle Initial: _____

Last Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on separate sheet)Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

(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

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

☐ None	☐ Substantial
☐ Minor	☒ Destroyed

Aircraft Fire

☒ None	☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight	☐ Unknown Origin
☐ On-Ground	

Aircraft Explosion

☒ None	☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight	☐ Unknown Origin
☐ On-Ground	

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

Crushed nose and front underside; bent front frame, buckled/crushed/bent left wing; bent/broken landing gear; bent propeller.

AIRPORT INFORMATION (If the accident/incident occurred on approach, takeoff or within 3 miles of an airport, complete this section)Airport Identifier: KSMQDistance From Airport Center: 0 SMAirport Name: Somerset AirportDirection From Airport: 150 degrees MAGProximity to Airport ☒ Off Airport/Airstrip ☐ On Airport ☐ On AirstripAirport Elevation: 105 ft. MSL**Approach Segment** (Select one)☐ On Instrument Approach ☐ Landing ☐ Base leg ☐ Final ☒ Go Around
☐ Crosswind ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)**IFR Approach** (Check all that apply)☒ None ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice
☐ ADF/NDB ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS
☐ SDF ☐ ILS ☐ ASR ☐ Loran
☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual ☐ Unknown
☐ VOR/DME ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact
☐ TACAN ☐ RNAV ☐ Circling**VFR Approach** (Check all that apply)☐ None ☐ Stop and Go
☐ Traffic Pattern ☐ Touch and Go
☐ Straight-In ☒ Simulated Forced Landing
☐ Valley/Terrain Following ☐ Forced Landing
☒ Go Around ☐ Precautionary Landing
☐ Full Stop ☐ Unknown**Runway Information**Runway ID: 30 (L/R/C) Length: 2,733 ft Width: 65 ft**Runway/Landing Surface** (Check all that apply)☒ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Macadam ☐ Water
☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Metal/Wood ☐ Unknown
☐ Dirt ☐ Ice ☐ Snow**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 ☐ Unknown
☐ Slush Covered ☐ Vegetation**FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION****Last Departure Point**Airport ID: KSMQCity: BedminsterState: NJCountry: USA**Time of Departure**Time: 1720Time Zone: EST**Destination**Airport ID: KSMQCity: BedminsterState: NJCountry: USA**Type Flight Plan Filed**☒ None ☐ VFR/IFR
☐ Company VFR ☐ IFR
☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown
☐ VFRActivated? ☐ Yes ☐ No**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 E ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ Special
☐ Class B ☐ Class G ☐ Restricted Area ☐ TRSA ☐ Air Traffic Control Area
☐ Class C ☐ Demo Area ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ FAR 93 ☐ Unknown
☐ Class D ☐ Warning Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area**Aircraft Load Description** (Check all that apply)☒ None ☐ Towing Glider ☐ Parachutists ☐ Livestock
☐ Passengers ☐ Towing Banner ☐ Water ☐ Unknown
☐ Cargo ☐ Other External ☐ Chemical/Fertilizer/Seeds**FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION****Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff**

(convert from pounds, as necessary)

25 Gallons**Fuel Type**☐ 80/87 ☐ 115/145 ☐ JP3 ☐ Other, specify _____
☒ 100 Low Lead ☐ Jet A ☐ JP4
☐ 100/130 ☐ Automotive ☐ JP5**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

Rear occupant self-extricated through right side door/window. Front occupant was removed from the aircraft by emergency personnel.

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE**Weather Observation Facility**Facility ID: KSMQObservation Time: 1800Time Zone: ESTDistance from Accident Site: 0 NMDirection from Accident Site: 150 degrees MAG**Source of Weather Information**

(Check all that apply)

- | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| ☐ National Weather Service | ☐ Company |
| ☐ Flight Service Station | ☐ Military |
| ☐ TV/Radio | ☐ Internet |
| ☒ Automated Report | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) | |

Method of Briefing

(Check all that apply)

- | |
|--|
| ☐ In Person |
| ☐ Teletype |
| ☒ Telephone/Computer |
| ☒ Aircraft Radio |
| ☐ TV/Radio |
| ☐ Unknown |

Briefing Type/Completeness

- | | |
|---|--|
| ☒ Full | ☐ Abbreviated |
| ☐ Partial / Limited By Pilot | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Partial / Limited By Briefer | ☐ Not Pertinent |

Light Condition

- | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| ☐ Dawn | ☒ Dusk | ☐ Dark Night |
| ☐ Day | ☐ Night | ☐ Bright Night |
| | | ☐ Not Reported |

Visibility10 miles**Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition**

- | | |
|--|---|
| ☐ Clear | ☐ Thin Broken |
| ☐ Few | ☒ Thin Overcast |
| ☐ Partial Obscuration | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Scattered | |

Ceiling

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| ☐ None (clear) | ☐ Obscured |
| ☐ Broken | ☐ Indefinite |
| ☒ Overcast | ☐ Unknown |

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 |

Lowest Cloud Condition Height2,900 ft AGL**Ceiling Height**2,900 ft AGL**Wind Direction**☒ Indicated:
110 degrees MAG☐ Variable**Wind Speed**Velocity: 4 KTS

-or-

- | |
|---|
| ☐ Calm |
| ☐ Light and Variable |

Wind Gusts

Velocity: _____ KTS

- | |
|---|
| ☐ Gusting |
| ☒ Not Gusting |

Type of Turbulence (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|---|
| ☒ None | ☐ In Clouds |
| ☐ Clear Air | ☐ Vicinity of Thunderstorm |

Severity of Turbulence

- | | | |
|----------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| ☐ Extreme | ☐ Moderate | ☐ Light |
| ☐ Severe | ☐ Moderate Chop | |

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

Departures Ry 30 Turn Right 10 Deg Followed by A Wide Left Turn - Avoid Residential Areas; Deer on and Invol Arpt; Ry 12 Arrivals & Departures May Not be Able to See Each Other; Ry 12 Trees Near Thld North of Ry; REIL Runway 12 OOS

Temperature: 5 (C)
or _____ (F)Altimeter Setting: 29.92 in. HG
or _____ MB

Density Altitude: _____ ft

Dew Point: 2 (C)
or _____ (F)**Icing Forecast**

Amount

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| ☒ None | ☐ Moderate |
| ☐ Trace | ☐ Severe |
| ☐ Light | |

Type

- | |
|--------------------------------|
| ☐ Rime |
| ☐ Clear |
| ☐ Mixed |

Icing Actual

Amount

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| ☒ None | ☐ Moderate |
| ☐ Trace | ☐ Severe |
| ☐ Light | |

Type

- | |
|--------------------------------|
| ☐ Rime |
| ☐ Clear |
| ☐ Mixed |

Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|---|
| ☒ None | ☐ Drizzle |
| ☐ Rain | ☐ Ice Pellets |
| ☐ Snow | ☐ Snow Pellets |
| ☐ Hail | ☐ Snow Grains |
| ☐ Rain Showers | ☐ Ice Crystals |
| ☐ Freezing Rain | ☐ Ice Pellets Shower |
| ☐ Snow Shower | ☐ Freezing Drizzle |

Intensity of Precipitation

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ☐ Light | ☐ Moderate | ☐ Heavy |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|

PILOT "A" INFORMATION**Pilot "A" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☒ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

Pilot "A" Identification

First Name: James
Middle Initial: _____
Last Name: Vanderpoel

City: _____
State: _____ ZIP: _____
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

Seat Belt

Used ☒ Yes ☐ No
Available ☒ Yes ☐ No

Shoulder Harness

Used ☒ Yes ☐ No
Available ☒ Yes ☐ No

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Student ☐ Recreational ☐ Commercial ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Foreign
☒ Private ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Sport ☐ Airline Transport ☐ U.S. Military

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
☐ With limitations/waivers
☒ Unknown

Date of Last Medical

mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations**Medical Certificate Waivers****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
☐ Free 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 ☐ Instrument Airplane
☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Airplane Multi-Engine ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider
☐ Powered Lift ☐ Sport

Type Ratings

Tailwheel

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		26								
Pilot in Command (PIC)										
Time as Instructor										
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days										
Last 30 Days										
Last 24 Hours										

PILOT "B" INFORMATION**Pilot "B" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☐ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☒ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

Pilot "B" IdentificationFirst Name: Byron

Middle Initial: _____

Last Name: HambyCity: BridgewaterState: NJZIP: 08807Country: USAAge at time of Accident/Incident: 51

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

Seat Belt

Used ☒ Yes ☐ No
Available ☒ Yes ☐ No

Shoulder Harness

Used ☒ Yes ☐ No
Available ☒ Yes ☐ No

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Student ☐ Recreational ☒ Commercial ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Foreign
☐ Private ☒ Flight Instructor ☐ Sport ☐ Airline Transport ☐ U.S. Military

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
☐ With limitations/waivers
☐ Unknown

Date of Last Medical

mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations

None

Medical Certificate Waivers

None

**Date of Last Flight Review
or Equivalent, Including
FAR 121/135 Checks:**08/31/2010

mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review AircraftMake: MooneyModel: M-20-R**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
☐ Free 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 ☐ Instrument Airplane
☒ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Instrument Helicopter
☒ Airplane Multi-Engine ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider
☐ Powered Lift ☐ Sport

Type Ratings

Tailwheel;

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	6,804	360	6,789	15	377	178				
Pilot in Command (PIC)	6,519	360	6,503	15	377	178				
Time as Instructor	6,232	335	5,897	15						
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days	265	29	265							
Last 30 Days	84	24	84							
Last 24 Hours	3	1	3							

ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREW MEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin attendants, complete the following information)**Pilot Name and Address**

First Name: _____ City: _____
Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
Last Name: _____ Country: _____

Degree of Injury

☐ None ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Student ☐ Recreational ☐ Commercial ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Foreign
☐ Private ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Sport ☐ Airline Transport ☐ U.S. Military

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single
☐ Unknown

Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident:

_____ hrs

Pilot Name and Address

First Name: _____ City: _____
Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
Last Name: _____ Country: _____

Degree of Injury

☐ None ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Student ☐ Recreational ☐ Commercial ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Foreign
☐ Private ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Sport ☐ Airline Transport ☐ U.S. Military

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single
☐ Unknown

Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident:

_____ hrs

Pilot Name and Address

First Name: _____ City: _____
Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
Last Name: _____ Country: _____

Degree of Injury

☐ None ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Student ☐ Recreational ☐ Commercial ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Foreign
☐ Private ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Sport ☐ Airline Transport ☐ U.S. Military

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single
☐ 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 flight attendants; continue on separate sheet if necessary)

Name and Address	Seat	Crew	Non-Revenue	Revenue	Non-Occupant	FAA	Fatal	Serious Injury	Minor Injury	No Injury	Unknown
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____	_____	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____	_____	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____	_____	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____	_____	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____	_____	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____	_____	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____	_____	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____	_____	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

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 time and point of departure, intended destination, and services obtained.

I met with my student, Jim Vanderpoel, around 5 pm on March 2, 2012. We did the preflight and discussed our intentions on the lesson was to do pattern work and simulated engine failures. We had around 25 gallons of fuel and the oil was above 6 quarts. We started the plane and taxied to do the run-up. We did approximately 6 takeoff and landings and then began doing simulated engine failures. We did two simulated engine failures and either had to do a go around or slip to land. On the third attempt to simulate an engine failure with a turn back to the airport we were high as the plane has a good rate of climb. I suggested we do S turns to lose altitude. We turned and the plane lost too much altitude when I told Jim to do a go-around and said full power. The plane suddenly pitched nose down and impacted the ground. I had placed my hand on the throttle to attempt an increase in power as well. The plane impacted the ground before the motor could respond to my attempt to add power. In my experience giving dual instruction in the accident aircraft, some of my students have had their hands on the trim lever thinking they were adding power when instead they added forward (nose down) trim. After the accident, I was informed that the trim was in the full forward (nose down) position.

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

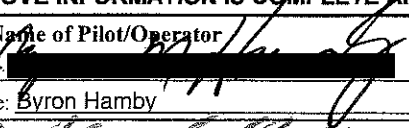
The design and location of the elevator trim control lever allows it to be easily confused with the throttle lever. Both are in close proximity to each other on the left side of the aircraft, and the trim control lever is only accessible to the front seat pilot. Both the throttle lever and the trim control lever have identical knobs, the only difference is that one is slightly smaller than the other. Also, because the trim tab is controlled by a lever with a relatively short actuating distance, large deviations in the trim tab setting are possible with a relatively short movement of the trim control lever. My recommendation is to replace the trim control lever with a crank or wheel to make it less likely to be confused with the throttle lever. Also, I recommend that the manufacturer offer a dual elevator trim control system so that a rear-seat instructor may have easy access to the airplane's trim system.

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**

03/15/2012

*mm/dd/yyyy***Signature and Name of Pilot/Operator**Signature: 

Type or Print Name: Byron Hamby

Signature and Name of Person Filing Report if Other than Pilot/OperatorSignature: 

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