



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

NTSB Accident Number: ERA14LA362, N8826C, Venice Beach, Florida

The FAA inspector, Mr. William J. Stokes, provided additional information via hand-written notes shortly after the accident. That information included:

The pilot reported that the accident flight was the first flight for the airplane in the preceding 3½ months.

Airplane was refueled 3½ months earlier at Albert Whitted Airport.

The left fuel tank was ¾ full and the right fuel tank was ½ full.

The engine initially started “right away” but during the first magneto check, the left magneto dropped 300 rpm. A second magneto check had the engine running roughly on the left magneto, but on the third check, both magnetos had the engine operating smoothly.

Lap belt and no shoulder harness for both occupants.

Pilot-rated passenger held a private certificate, single engine land rating. Hadn’t flown in 10 years; first flight with the pilot.

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