

Date: Aug 25, 2014

Subject: Central Alabama Soaring Association Blanik L23 Accident Aug 17, 2014

Review by Roger A Lewis Supervising Instructor:

Rachel arrived on the field at approximately 1:00 PM CDT. I brief Rachel on the crosswind which was approximately 8 mph @ 30 degrees. We were using the turf adjacent to runway 27 for launching the gliders. Rachel was scheduled to be the next pilot for the Blanik L23. While she waited for the Blanik to return I had discussions with a prospective member in the FBO.

When returning to the launch area I saw Rachel soaring just south of the field at ~2500 ft @ approximately 3:00PM. While flying with my next student in our SGS2-33A, I next saw Rachel flying ~300 ft above us at our 10 o'clock position. At this time my student and I were about to enter a right hand pattern for 27 @ 1500ft. I remember thinking that I felt comfortable that Rachel was in a good position to enter the pattern behind us if she didn't find any lift.

As we landed I realized something had happen due to the activity on the ground.

Respectively Submitted,

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