

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: Pemberton State: NJ
 ZIP: 08068 Country: USA
 Latitude: 39°56'40.59"N Longitude: 74°38'5.36"W
(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 07/19/2017 Local Time: 1845
mm/dd/yyyy Time Zone: EASTERN

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

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N9270W
 Manufacturer: WEATHERLY
 Model: 620A
 Serial Number: 1505
 Year of Manufacture: 1980

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

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

Maximum Gross Weight: 2000 lbs HOPPER
MTOW 5500 IF RESTRICTED
 Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 1160 lbs HOPPER LOAD

Number of Seats: 1 Flight Crew Seats: 1
 Cabin Crew Seats: 0 Passenger Seats: 0
 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** **Special**
☐ Normal ☐ Restricted
☐ Aerobatic ☒ Limited
☐ Balloon ☐ Provisional
☐ Commuter ☐ Special Flight
☐ Transport ☐ Experimental
☐ Utility ☐ 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. <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>	Rated Power ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since: Inspection (hours)	Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	P+W	R985			450		79	1082
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

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

Date Last Inspection: 12/10/2016
mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 6698 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: _____

Propeller 1

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
☒ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: HARTZELL

Model: HC-B3R30-4B

ELT Installed: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

ELT Manufacturer: _____

Model or Part No.: _____

TSO No.: ☐ C91 (121.5 MHz) ☐ C91a (121.5 MHz)
☐ C126 (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

Propeller 2

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

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: JERSEY DEVIL DUSTERS LLCCity: NEW LISBONState: MT ZIP: 08064Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ NoCountry: USA**Operator of Aircraft**☒ Same As Registered Owner☒ Same Address as Registered Owner

Name: _____

City: _____

Doing Business As: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

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

Country: _____

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: AG AIR STRIP - RAKE POND FARMS

Airport Identifier: _____

Proximity to Airport: ☒ Off Airport/Airstrip ☐ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/ADistance From Airport Center: 0.25 smDirection From Airport: 280 degrees trueAirport Elevation: 20 ft. msl**Runway Information**Runway ID: _____ (L/R/C) Length: 2100 ft Width: 100 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 ☐ Crosswind ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)
☐ Unknown

IFR Approach (Check all that apply)☒ None

- ☐ ADF/NDB ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice
☐ SDF ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS
☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ ILS ☐ ASR ☐ Visual
☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Contact ☐ Circling
☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ RNAV ☐ 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

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ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information)						
Crew Name and Address NA			Seat Occupied		Injury	
First Name: _____ City of Residence: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____			☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Center ☐ Rear ☐ Right ☐ Single ☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown		☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Private ☐ Student ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Recreational ☐ Sport ☐ Commercial ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ US Military ☐ Foreign			Restraint Type: Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		Inflatable Restraints ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No			Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs			
Crew Name and Address			Seat Occupied		Injury	
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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
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other		☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
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FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point Airport ID: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____	Time of Departure Time: _____ Time Zone: _____	Destination Airport ID: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____	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
☐ VFR	☐ IFR	☐ VFR On Top	☐ Traffic Advisory
Airspace where the accident/incident occurred (Check all that apply)			Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence:
☐ Class A	☐ Class G	☐ Military Operations Area (MOA)	_____ ft msl
☐ Class B	☐ Demo Area	☐ Airport Advisory Area	
☐ Class C	☐ Warning Area	☐ Jet Training Area	
☐ Class D	☐ Prohibited Area	☐ TRSA	
☒ Class E	☐ Restricted Area	☐ FAR 93	
☐ Special	☐ Air Traffic Control Area	☐ Unknown	

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE

Source of Pilot Weather Information (Check all that apply)	Weather Observation Facility
☐ National Weather Service ☐ Flight Service Station ☐ TV/Radio ☐ Automated Report ☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) ☐ On-Board Weather	Facility ID: <u>KWRI</u> Observation Time: <u>1800 LCL</u> Time Zone: <u>EASTERN</u> Distance from Accident Site: <u>5</u> nm Direction from Accident Site: <u>040</u> degrees true

Basic Conditions	Light Condition
☒ VMC ☐ IMC ☐ Unknown	☐ Dawn ☐ Dusk ☐ Dark Night ☐ Unknown ☒ Day ☐ Night ☐ Bright Night

Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition	Ceiling	Temperature: _____ (C) or <u>81</u> (F)
☒ Clear ☐ Thin Broken ☐ Few ☐ Thin Overcast ☐ Partial Obscuration ☐ Unknown ☐ Scattered	☒ None (Clear) ☐ Obscured ☐ Broken ☐ Indefinite ☐ Overcast ☐ Unknown	Dew Point: _____ (C) or <u>69.8</u> (F)
Lowest Cloud Condition Height	Ceiling Height	Altimeter Setting: <u>3001</u> in. Hg
_____ ft agl	_____ ft agl	or _____ MB

Wind Direction	Wind Speed	Wind Gusts	Visibility
☒ Variable	☐ Calm	☒ Not Gusting	<u>10 +</u> miles
-or- Direction: _____ degrees true	☒ Light and Variable	-or- Speed: _____ kts	RVR: _____ feet
	Speed: _____ kts	-or- Speed: _____ kts	RVV: _____ miles
			Density Altitude: _____ ft

Intensity of Precipitation	Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply)	Restriction to Visibility (Check all that apply)
☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Heavy ☒ N/A ☐ Unknown	☒ None ☐ Drizzle ☐ Freezing Rain ☐ Rain ☐ Ice Pellets ☐ Snow Shower ☐ Snow ☐ Snow Pellets ☐ Ice Pellets Shower ☐ Hail ☐ Snow Grains ☐ Freezing Drizzle ☐ Rain Showers ☐ Ice Crystals	☒ None ☐ Fog ☐ Blowing Dust ☐ Ground Fog ☐ Blowing Sand ☐ Haze ☐ Blowing Snow ☐ Ice Fog ☐ Blowing Spray ☐ Smoke ☐ Dust ☐ Unknown

Icing Forecast	Icing Actual	Turbulence
Amount ☒ None ☐ Trace ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown Type ☒ N/A ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed ☐ Unknown	Amount ☒ None ☐ Trace ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown Type ☒ N/A ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed ☐ Unknown	Type (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Clear Air ☐ Terrain-Induced ☐ Convective Turbulence Severity ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Extreme

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

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)

- AIRCRAFT SUBSTANTIALLY DAMAGED
- NO PROPERTY DAMAGE

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

SEE ATTACHED

FILE COPY

July 21, 2017

email to FAA 8/7/17

TO: FAA, PSDO, Mr. Kirk Jaeger

To whom it may concern:

On July 19, 2017 at approximately 1845 I initiated my takeoff roll with 145 gallons of liquid in the chemical hopper and 30 gallons of total fuel on board. Fuel was distributed 20 gallons left and center integral tanks and 10 gallons in the right tank. Fuel was being fed from left and center tank. At end of runway I performed flight control checks, set trim for TO, checked fuel selector on fullest tank, performed magneto checks and cycled the prop pitch 3 times and set prop control to full forward (low pitch). My personal flow checklist prior to any aerial application takeoff roll following the above before takeoff checks is hopper lid closed and locked, fuel caps on, elevator trim set for TO, spray switch off, carb heat off, mags both, mixture rich, prop full forward, advance throttle - as rpm advances past 1800 rpm check for manifold gauge indicating approximate reading prior to engine start (field pressure), advance throttle to full forward. Check rpms 2270-2295* range, manifold pressure 36+", fuel pressure 3+psi, oil pressure 70+psi. My first personal gate is for tail to be up by first ¼ of available runway, second gate is for main tire lift off to occur a by ½ available runway length. From main tire lift off I need to see increasing speed with a minimum of a shallow climb to 80 – 95 mph depending on load.

All of the above procedures were followed and gates met until approximately 10 -20 feet above the runway at approximately 80 mph when I felt a drastic decrease in performance. At that time I verified all three engine control levers full forward and threw on the fuel boost pump. With no improvement to performance, I lowered the nose in anticipation of a pitch up moment as I emergency dumped the hopper load. I felt no increase in aircraft speed or climb performance, in spite of instantly reducing weight by approximately 1100 pounds. It was then that I realized I was going to have a forced landing. I ran the manual trim nose up while holding current attitude with forward stick pressure. The plane continued a slow decent. I kept the wings level and used slight rudder inputs to align with what I determined to be the best point of initial impact with the approaching tree line. As the plane entered the trees, I pulled back full on the stick, then released the stick and tried as best I could to relax my body for impact.

When the plane came to rest, I was upside down hanging from the shoulder straps. I quickly assessed that I was not injured, turned off the fuel selector, mags, and fuel boost pump. It was then that I noticed a very strong smell of 100LL and that fuel was pouring onto my right arm and chest from the ruptured right fuel tank that was above me due to being inverted. I made the deliberate decision to leave the master switch and all other electrical switches as is to avoid any potential spark from a change in power. I quickly egressed the aircraft from the right canopy window and got away from the aircraft.

When the police, and fire rescue arrived (which seemed less than 10 minutes time), I informed them that there is a very bad fuel leak and the plane's electrical power master switch was still on. We decided together to wait till the ruptured fuel tank had leaked out completely before approaching the aircraft and turning off electrical switches.

Jeffrey R. Daniel, [REDACTED]

*8.7.2017: This is a corrected statement : change in **BOLD**

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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)

_____ 30 _____ 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

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: _____

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

08/04/2017
mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator:

JEFFREY R. DANIEL

Signature:

- or - ☐ Check here to electronically sign this document

If a Person Other than Pilot/Operator is Filing Report

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

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