

RECORD OF ☐ VISIT ☐ CONFERENCE OR ☒ TELEPHONE CALL		TIME 9:45 AM	DATE 07/06/2017
NAME (S) OF PERSON (S) CONTACTED OR IN CONFERENCE AND LOCATION		ROUTING	
		SYMBOL	INITIALS
Richard J. Boucek / FAA Principal Operations Inspector			
Charles Heilmann / Witness to N3449 Aircraft crash			
SUBJECT Accident involving Harry A. Ross in Linesville, Pa on July 02, 2017. The			
aircraft involved was N3449 a Slip Stream Genesis.			
DIGEST			
On July 06,2017 at approximately 13:00pm. I conducted a phone interview with Mr. Charles Heilmann about the accident that occurred on 07/02/2017 in Linesville, PA. During the interview, Mr. Heilmann Identified himself as a local pilot that was on the field when the accident occured. Mr. Heilmann stated that Mr. Ross was talking with Jeff Weimer a fellow airman before the accident. Mr. Heilmann climbed into his CE-172 with a friend to do some pattern work when they noticed that Mr. Ross was taking off on runway 04 with a tailwind. Mr. Heilmann said that he and his passenger thought that it was strange that Mr. Ross was taking off with a tailwind. Mr. Heilmann and his friend then watched Mr. Ross make a sharp left hand turn crosswind at approximately 300-400 feet when the aircraft disappeared behind the tree line. Mr. Heilmann and his passenger then saw smoke coming from the soy bean field. Mr. Heilmann and Mr. Weimer then jumped into the truck and headed toward the scene. Mr. Heilmann stated that Mr. Weimer told him that Mr. Ross said that he was afraid of the airplane, and that he has had several issues with that aircraft. Mr. Heilmann also told me that Mr. Weimer told him that Mr. Ross told him he had an inoperative airspeed indicator that day.			
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NAME (S) OF PERSON (S) CONTACTED OR IN CONFERENCE AND LOCATION		ROUTING	
		SYMBOL	INITIALS
Richard J. Boucek / FAA Principal Operations Inspector			
Gary L. Ankney / FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector			
David Dygert / Witness to N3449 Aircraft crash [REDACTED]			
SUBJECT Accident involving Harry A. Ross in Linesville, Pa on July 02, 2017. The			
aircraft involved was N3449 a Slip Stream Genesis.			
DIGEST			
On July 03,2017 at approximately 09:45am. Inspector Gary Ankney and myself conducted an interview with Mr. David Dygert about the accident that occurred on 07/02/2017 in Linesville, PA. During the interview, Mr. Dygert identified himself as a local dairy farmer whose land adjoins the Soy bean field where the aircraft crashed. Mr. Dygert stated that he was working in the barn milking his cows when he heard an aircraft engine "screaming" and flying low over his barn. When Mr. Dygert and his son Daniel walked out of the barn they saw the aircraft at approximately 400 to 500 feet in the air when they saw the aircraft turn to right and then the aircraft started to "twist" for at least one turn and then crash into the adjoining soy field. Mr. Dygert and his son Daniel ran over to the aircraft and cut Mr. Ross out of the wreckage and pulled Mr. Ross from the aircraft. The aircraft then caught fire after pulling Mr. Ross from the wreckage. Mr. Dygert stated that the approximate time of the crash was at 19:30 local. Mr. Dygert informed us at the end of the interview that Mr. Ross had crashed his aircraft in his field last year and rebuilt in his hangar over the winter.			
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RECORD OF ☒ VISIT ☐ CONFERENCE OR ☐ TELEPHONE CALL		TIME 10:00 AM	DATE 07/03/2017
NAME (S) OF PERSON (S) CONTACTED OR IN CONFERENCE AND LOCATION		ROUTING	
		SYMBOL	INITIALS
Richard J. Boucek / FAA Principal Operations Inspector			
Gary L. Ankney / FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector			
Jeff Weimer / Witness to N3449 Aircraft crash [REDACTED]			
SUBJECT Accident involving Harry A. Ross in Linesville, Pa on July 02, 2017. The			
aircraft involved was N3449 a Slip Stream Genesis.			
DIGEST			
On July 03,2017 at approximately 09:45am Inspector Gary Ankney and myself conducted an interview with Mr. Jeffery Weimer about the accident that occurred on 07/02/2017 in Linesville, PA. During the interview, Mr. Weimer identified himself as a friend of Mr. Ross and fellow pilot. Mr. Weimer stated that he and Mr. Ross were talking for quite some time in the hangar before Mr. Ross went flying. Mr. Weimer stated that Mr. Ross was concerned about the aircraft and that "he didn't trust the plane". Mr. Weimer told Mr. Ross that if he didn't trust the aircraft, don't go flying. Mr. Weimer then told me that Mr. Ross grabbed his helmet and said he was going to go and fly around the airport. Mr. Weimer stated that Mr. Ross seemed a little confused that day, asking about the wind direction. Mr. Weimer said that Mr. Ross departed the north runway and at about 500 feet he saw the aircraft make a shallow right turn when the right wing "dipped and stalled". Mr. Weimer then heard a loud "Thud" and saw the smoke and flames from the wreckage. I asked Mr. Weimer if Mr. ross told him about any medical conditions, he stated none that he knew of. At the end of the interview, Mr. Weimer informed me that Mr. Ross told him that he didn't have a working airspeed indicator in his aircraft.			
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Mr. Weimer stated that he offered Mr. Ross a "Hall's Airspeed Indicator" so that he would have some means of knowing what his airspeed is. I asked Mr. Weimer if Mr. Ross installed the indicator; he stated "no it's still on my toolbox" and then showed it to me.