

7-27-2018 INVESTIGATED ACCIDENT N1193Y CESSNA 150B SN#15059593. THE AIRCRAFT LANDED IN A CHURCH YARD AT 3330 MARGARET WALLACE RD. MATHEWS NC

THE ACCIDENT OCCURRED ON 7-26-2018 AT APPROXIMATELY 6:37 PM. AN ON DUTY CHARLOTTE MECKLENBURG POLICE OFFICER IN THE CHURCH PARKING LOT WITNESSED THE ACCIDENT. THE OFFICE REPORTED HE OBSERVED A SMALL PLANE TRAVELLING IN A NORTH TO SOUTH DIRECTION. THE PLANE WAS TIPPING ITS WINGS SIDE TO SIDE, LANDED ON THE NOSE GEAR, AND FLIPPED OVER. THE PILOT WAS ABLE TO EXIT THE PLANE WITHOUT ASSISTANCE.

INTERVIEWED THE PILOT MR. JOSHUA JONATHAN LANDELL [REDACTED]. THE PILOT REPORTED THAT THE ENGINE WAS STILL RUNNING BUT NOT MAKING ENOUGH POWER TO KEEP THE AIRCRAFT FLYING. THE AIRCRAFT WAS IN A STEADY DECENT CLEARED THE POWER LINES AT THE EDGE OF THE PROPERTY AND LANDED ON THE NOSE GEAR FLIPPING THE AIRCRAFT ON ITS BACK.

INITIAL INSPECTION OF THE AIRCRAFT DID NOT REVEAL ANY OBVIOUS DEFECTS THAT WOULD CAUSE THE REPORTED LOSS OF POWER. THE AIRCRAFT RECEIVED SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE

7-30-2018 INTERVIEWED MR. LANDELL AT THIS OFFICE. REVIEW OF HIS PILOT LOG REVEALED SEVERE TRAINING DEFICIENCIES. MR. LANDELL VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED HIS STUDENT PILOT CERTIFICATE

8-6-2018 INSPECTED AIRCRAFT AFTER IT WAS REMOVED FROM THE CHURCH YARD AND ON ITS LANDING GEAR. FURTHER INSPECTION OF THE AIRCRAFT DID NOT REVEAL ANY OBVIOUS DEFECTS THAT WOULD CAUSE POWER LOSS. GASCOLATOR WAS FULL WITH NO WATER EVIDENT. OIL WAS IN THE OPERATING RANGE.