

I saw the aircraft start up and noticed it back fire several times. Then I started mower and headed out. I then noticed the aircraft climbing out, seemed fine, I could not hear it as mower was running then. I Looked away then back and aircraft was in a steep left bank which continued to tighten into a one turn spin nose down then went out of sight behind trees. Then smoke erupted.

Wayne Simpson 08-20-2021



Coming off break

looked to right

Seen air plane, looked as if it was
trying to turn around, went towards
the tree line a took a nose dive.
Heard a big boom and then seen
a big cloud of smoke.

Walter L. Wall



To whom this may concern:

We arrived at the Anson County airport on Friday, August 20, 2021 a few minutes after 9:30 AM as a small plane landed. We watched as two men put fuel in their plane and what seemed to be work on something on there plane with wires near the back of the cab. They then went into the airport terminal, returned, got back in the plane. As they as they started their engine it seemed to sputter or backfire they then pulled out and went to the end of the runway to await take off. During that time a plane landed, they then took off and as they took off and gained some elevation they started to make a left-hand turn as they made a left-hand turn it sputtered and backfired louder and then lost elevation and then we heard a loud explosion and a large plume of smoke, and dialed 911.

Courtney & Brett Sikes

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