

Notes from 8-18-23 off airport landing

At airport approx 1400. Assigned N405WB for flights.

Got manifests. Did weight and bal.

Ron returned in 405 from BID trip.

Took acft to Dooney Av, topped off fuel all tanks.

Preflighted airplane.

Loaded passenger and departed for JPX at about 1500.

Passenger disembarked at JPX.

Departed JPX for MVY about 1600.

Arrived MVY. Loaded 2 pax with bags.

Departed MVY at about 1700

About 40 minutes into the flight the engine ran rough briefly (seconds vs minutes) and quit. I was at about 4500' MSL and had just passed over Fisher's Island airport, OB8. I immediately turned right direct back to this field. I put the fuel pump on and switched tanks. The prop was windmilling but the engine did not restart. I set up best glide speed. Once over the east end of the field I began a left circling spiral to lose excess altitude. I think I was about 1000' when I stopped the turn hdg downwind. However, I misjudged the strength of the wind such that when I made my turn to line up with rwy 30, my ground speed/glide angle was not sufficient to get me to the runway. My options at that point were limited to the beach, or try to make it over the scrub on the edge of the beach to a grassy area. I chose the latter.

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