

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD • PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT Use this form (Form 6120.1) to report civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents**BASIC INFORMATION****Accident/Incident Location**Nearest City/Place: Millbury State: OHZIP: 43447 Country: USALatitude: 41.55740 N Longitude: 83.47126 W

(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)

Accident/Incident Date/TimeDate: 08/22/2025 Local Time: 19:48
mm/dd/yyyy HH:MMTime Zone: EDTCollision with Other Aircraft: ☐ Midair ☐ On-ground ☒ None**AIRCRAFT INFORMATION**Registration Number: N591KYManufacturer: Air Fly Balonismo E InflaveisModel: AF-SS-94Serial Number: LP2025-03Year of Manufacture: 2,025Amateur-Built: ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes: ☐ Original Design ☐ Kit/Plans

Make: _____

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

Maximum Gross Weight: 1,984 lbs.Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 1,477 lbs.Number of Seats: 0 Flight Crew Seats: 0Cabin Crew Seats: 0 Passenger Seats: 0Number of Engines: 0**Category of Aircraft**
(Select one)

- ☐
- Airplane
-
- ☐
- Balloon
-
- ☐
- Blimp/Dirigible
-
- ☐
- Glider
-
- ☐
- Gyroplane
-
- ☐
- Helicopter
-
- ☐
- Powered Lift
-
- ☐
- Rocket
-
- ☐
- Ultralight
-
- ☐
- Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate
(Check all that apply)**Standard**

- ☐
- Normal
-
- ☐
- Aerobatic
-
- ☐
- Balloon
-
- ☐
- Commuter
-
- ☐
- Transport
-
- ☐
- Utility

Special

- ☐
- Restricted
-
- ☐
- Limited
-
- ☐
- Provisional
-
- ☐
- Special Flight
-
- ☒
- Experimental
-
- ☐
- Special Light-Sport
-
- ☐
- Experimental Light-Sport

- ☐
- Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
-
- ☐
- None
- ☐
- Unknown

Landing Gear

(Check all that apply)

- ☐
- Retractable
- ☐
- High Skid
-
- ☐
- Tricycle
- ☐
- Skid
-
- ☐
- Tailwheel
- ☐
- Ski/Wheel
-
- ☐
- Emergency Float
- ☐
- Hull
-
- ☐
- Float
- ☐
- Ski
-
- ☐
- Amphibian
-
- ☐
- 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/Series	Engine Serial Number	Date of Mfg. (mm/dd/yyyy)	Rated Power ☐ Horsepower or ☐ Lbs. of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since: Inspection (hours)	Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	<u>N/A</u>							
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

- ☐
- 100-Hour
-
- ☐
- AAIP
-
- ☐
- Annual
-
- ☐
- Continuous Airworthiness
-
- ☒
- Condition
-
- ☐
- Unknown

Date of Last Inspection: 05/01/2025
mm/dd/yyyyAirframe Total Time: 6.6 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:
- Condition (Exhibition)

Description of Fire Extinguishing System

- ☐
- None
-
- ☒
- Specify:
- Handheld

Additional Equipment

- ☐
- ADS-B
-
- ☐
- Airframe Parachute
-
- ☐
- Angle of Attack Indicator
-
- ☐
- Autopilot
-
- ☐
- Autopilot/FMS, Model: _____
-
- ☐
- Coupled Flight Director
-
- ☐
- Data Recorder
-
- ☐
- Device Stall Warning System
-
- ☐
- Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device
-
- ☐
- Electronic Multifunction Display
-
- ☐
- Electronic Primary Flight Display
-
- ☐
- Flight Management System

- ☐
- Handheld GPS
-
- ☐
- Heads Up Display
-
- ☐
- Night Vision Goggles
-
- ☐
- Onboard Weather
-
- ☐
- Primary Flight Display
-
- ☐
- SAS, Number of Axes: _____ Model: _____
-
- ☐
- Satellite Tracking Device
-
- ☐
- Stall Warning System
-
- ☐
- Video Recording Device
-
- ☐
- Wire Strike Detection
-
- ☐
- Wire Strike Protection
-
- ☐
- Other, Specify: _____

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 ☐ NoWas ELT still connected to antenna? ☐ Yes ☐ NoDid ELT activate? ☐ Yes ☐ NoIf activated: Did ELT aid in locating aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ NoIf not activated: Indicate Reason: ☐ Impact Damage☐ Fire Damage ☐ Battery Expired/Damaged ☐ UnknownPropeller 1 ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground AdjustableManufacturer: N/A

Model: _____

Propeller 2 ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION**Registered Aircraft Owner**Name: BB Aero Works, Ltd.

Fractional Ownership Aircraft:

☐ Yes☒ NoCity: Whitehouse State: OHZIP: 43571 Country: USA**Operator of Aircraft**☐ The Operator is also the Registered Owner☐ Same address as Registered OwnerName: Bradley J. Burdue

Doing Business As: _____

City: Whitehouse State: OH

Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4-character code): _____

ZIP: 43571 Country: USA**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 450
- ☐ 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
- ☐ 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 ☐ Unknown

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: Toledo Executive AirportDistance From Airport Center: 0.80 sm.Airport Identifier: KTDZDirection From Airport: 135.00 degrees trueProximity to Airport: ☒ Off Airport/Airstrip ☐ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/AAirport Elevation: 623.00 ft. MSL**Runway Information**

Runway ID: _____ Length: _____ ft. Width: _____ ft.

Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Asphalt ☒ Grass/Turf ☐ Ice ☐ Snow
- ☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Macadam ☐ Water
- ☐ Dirt ☐ Helideck ☐ Metal/Wood ☐ Unknown
- ☐ Elevated Heliport ☐ Helistop ☐ Off-site landing area

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 ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown) ☐ Crosswind ☐ Unknown

IFR Approach (Check all that apply)

- ☒ None
- ☐ ADF/NDB ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice
- ☐ SDF ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS
- ☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ ILS ☐ ASR ☐ Unknown
- ☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual
- ☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact
- ☐ RNAV ☐ Circling

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

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 1" INFORMATION**"Flight Crewmember 1" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☒ Captain ☐ First Officer ☐ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

"Flight Crewmember 1" was pilot flying ☐ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 1" Identification

First Name: Bradley

City of Residence: Whitehouse

Middle Initial: J

State: OH ZIP: 43571

Last Name: Burdue

Country: USA

Age at time of Accident/Incident: 53

Date of Birth: (mm/dd/yyyy)

Certificate Number:

Degree of Injury

☒ None ☐ Serious
☐ Unknown ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single

Restraint Type**Available**

☒ None
☐ Lap only
☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Used

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Supplemental Restraint, specify:

Inflatable Restraints

☒ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☒ Flight Instructor ☒ Commercial
☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational
☒ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Sport
☐ Student ☐ Flight Engineer

Principal Occupation

☒ Pilot
☐ Other
☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate

☐ None ☐ Class 3
☒ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)
☐ Class 2 ☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate Validity

☒ Without limitations/waivers ☐ Unknown
☐ With limitations/waivers ☐ N/A
☐ Special Issuance

Date of Last Medical

05/07/2025
 mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations

None

Medical Certificate Special Limitations

None

Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply)

☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal locator beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves
☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other:

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:

04/13/2025
 mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: Boeing

Model: 757

Airplane Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☒ Single-Engine Land
☒ Single-Engine Sea
☒ Multiengine Land
☐ Multiengine Sea

Other Aircraft Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☐ Airship
☒ Balloon
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instrument Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☒ Airplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instructor Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None ☒ Instrument Airplane
☒ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Instrument Helicopter
☒ Airplane Multiengine ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider
☐ Powered lift ☐ Sport

Type Ratings and Applicable Logbook Endorsements

B-17 (SIC)
 G280
 B757/767
 High Altitude
 Tail Wheel
 High Perf/Complex

Student Endorsements (Include dates)

Flight Time (Enter hours for each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air	Multi-engine Rotorcraft	Tail-wheel
						Actual	Simulated					
Total Time	11,000	7								303		
Pilot in Command (PIC)	9,500	7								283		
Time as Instructor	750									25		
This Make/Model												
Last 90 Days	81	7								23		
Last 30 Days	17	1								11		
Last 24 Hours	1	1								1		

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 2" INFORMATION**"Flight Crewmember 2" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☐ Captain ☐ First Officer ☐ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

"Flight Crewmember 2" was pilot flying ☐ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 2" Identification

First Name: _____

City of Residence: _____

Middle Initial: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Last Name: _____

Country: _____

Age at time of Accident/Incident: _____

Date of Birth: _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)

Certificate Number: _____

Degree of Injury

☐ None ☐ Serious
☐ Unknown ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single

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

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial
☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational
☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Sport
☐ Student ☐ Flight Engineer

Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____

Principal Occupation

☐ Pilot
☐ Other
☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate

☐ None ☐ Class 3
☐ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)
☐ Class 2 ☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate Validity

☐ Without limitations/waivers ☐ Unknown
☐ With limitations/waivers ☐ N/A
☐ Special Issuance

Date of Last Medical_____
mm/dd/yyyy**Medical Certificate Limitations****Medical Certificate Special Limitations****Personal Flight Equipment** (Check all that apply)

☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal Locator Beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves
☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:_____
mm/dd/yyyy**Flight Review Aircraft**

Make: _____

Model: _____

Airplane Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ Single-Engine Land
☐ Single-Engine Sea
☐ Multiengine Land
☐ Multiengine Sea

Other Aircraft Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☐ Airship
☐ Balloon
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instrument Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☐ Airplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instructor Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Instrument Airplane
☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Airplane Multiengine ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider
☐ Powered lift ☐ Sport

Type Ratings and Applicable Logbook Endorsements**Student Endorsements** (Include dates)

Flight Time (Enter hours for each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air	Multi-engine Rotorcraft	Tail-wheel
						Actual	Simulated					
Total Time												
Pilot in Command (PIC)												
Time as Instructor												
This Make/Model												
Last 90 Days												
Last 30 Days												
Last 24 Hours												

ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information.)

Additional Crewmember Information		Seat Occupied	Injury
First Name: _____	City of Residence: _____	☐ Left ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single ☐ Right ☐ Unknown ☐ Front	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____		
Last Name: _____	Country: _____		
Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal locator beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____			
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer		Restraint Type Available Used ☐ None ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	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.		

Additional Crewmember Information		Seat Occupied	Injury
First Name: _____	City of Residence: _____	☐ Left ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single ☐ Right ☐ Unknown ☐ Front	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____		
Last Name: _____	Country: _____		
Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal Locator Beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____			
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer		Restraint Type Available Used ☐ None ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	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.		

PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include cabin crew; continue on separate sheet, if necessary.)

Number of Passengers <u>3</u>					
Passenger Information	Seat	Injury	Restraint Type	Inflatable Restraints	Age
First Name: <u>Mateo</u> City: <u>Bowling Green</u> Middle Initial: <u>G</u> State: <u>OH</u> Zip: <u>43402</u> Last name: <u>Knoll</u> Country: <u>USA</u> ☐ Crew ☒ Passenger ☐ Other Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☒ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available Used ☒ None ☒ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	☒ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown

First Name: <u>Amy</u> City: <u>Rosford</u> Middle Initial: <u>L</u> State: <u>OH</u> Zip: <u>43460</u> Last name: <u>Lauback</u> Country: <u>USA</u> ☐ Crew ☒ Passenger ☐ Other Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☒ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☒ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	Used ☒ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☒ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
First Name: <u>Corin</u> City: <u>Rosford</u> Middle Initial: <u>J</u> State: _____ Zip: <u>43460</u> Last name: <u>Lauback</u> Country: <u>USA</u> ☐ Crew ☒ Passenger ☐ Other Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☒ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☒ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Last name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown

FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point	Time of Departure	Flight Information	Destination	Type Flight Plan Filed
Airport ID: <u>KTDZ</u> City: <u>Millbury</u> State: <u>OH</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	Time: <u>19:16</u> HH:MM Time Zone: <u>EDT</u>	Flight Number: _____ Operating as Flight _____	Airport ID: <u>KTDZ</u> City: <u>Millbury</u> State: <u>OH</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	☒ None ☐ Company VFR ☐ Military VFR ☐ VFR ☐ VFR/IFR ☐ IFR ☐ Unknown Activated? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Type of ATC Clearance/Service (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Certificate of Authorization ☐ Special VFR ☐ Special IFR ☐ VFR Flight Following ☐ Cruise
☐ VFR ☐ IFR ☐ VFR On Top ☐ Traffic Advisory ☐ Unknown / NA
☒ None

Airspace where the accident/incident occurred (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Class A ☒ Class G ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ Special
☐ Class B ☐ Demo Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area ☐ Air Traffic Control Area
☐ Class C ☐ Warning Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ Unknown
☐ Class D ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ TRSA
☐ Class E ☐ Restricted Area ☐ FAR 93

Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence: 633 ft. MSL**WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE****Source of Pilot Weather Information**

(Check all that apply)

- ☒ National Weather Service ☐ Company
☐ Flight Service Station ☐ Military
☐ TV/Radio ☐ Internet
☒ Automated Report ☐ None
☒ Electronic Flight Bag-Application: ☐ Unknown
 Foreflight
☐ On-Board Weather

Weather Observation Facility

Facility ID: _____
 Observation Time: _____
 Time Zone: _____
 Distance from Accident Site: _____ nm
 Direction from Accident Site: _____ degrees true

Basic Conditions

- ☒ VMC
☐ IMC
☐ Unknown

Lowest Cloud Condition**Height**

_____ ft. AGL

Light Condition

- ☐ Dawn ☐ Dusk ☐ Dark Night ☐ Unknown
☐ Day ☐ Night ☐ Bright Night

Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition

- ☒ Clear ☐ Thin Broken
☐ Few ☐ Thin Overcast
☐ Partial ☐ Unknown
☐ Obscuration
☐ Scattered

Ceiling

- ☒ None (Clear)
☐ Broken
☐ Overcast
☐ Obscured
☐ Indefinite
☐ Unknown

Ceiling Height

_____ ft. AGL

Temperature: 20.00 (°C) or _____ (°F)Dewpoint: 16.60 (°C) or _____ (°F)**Altimeter Setting:**

1,015 (Hg), or _____ (mb)

Wind Direction

☐ Variable or
 Direction: 90.00
 degrees true

Wind Speed

☐ Calm
☐ Light and Variable
 or
 Speed: 3.0 kts

Wind Gusts

☒ Not Gustating
 or
 Speed: _____ kts

Visibility

10.0 miles
 RVR: _____ feet
 RVV: _____ miles
 Density Altitude: 1,300.0 ft.

Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply)

- ☒ None ☐ Drizzle ☐ Freezing Rain
☐ Rain ☐ Ice Pellets ☐ Snow Shower
☐ Snow ☐ Snow Pellets ☐ Ice Pellets Shower
☐ Hail ☐ Snow Grains ☐ Freezing Drizzle
☐ Rain Showers ☐ Ice Crystals

Restriction to Visibility (Check all that apply)

- ☒ None ☐ Fog
☐ Blowing Dust ☐ Ground Fog
☐ Blowing Sand ☐ Haze
☐ Blowing Snow ☐ Ice Fog
☐ Blowing Spray ☐ Smoke
☐ Dust ☐ Unknown

Icing Forecast

- | Amount | Type |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| ☒ None | ☐ N/A |
| ☐ Trace | ☐ Rime |
| ☐ Light | ☐ Clear |
| ☐ Moderate | ☐ Mixed |
| ☐ Severe | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Unknown | |

Intensity of Precipitation

- ☐ Light
☐ Moderate
☐ Heavy
☒ N/A
☐ Unknown

Icing Actual

- | Amount | Type |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| ☒ None | ☒ N/A |
| ☐ Trace | ☐ Rime |
| ☐ Light | ☐ Clear |
| ☐ Moderate | ☐ Mixed |
| ☐ Severe | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Unknown | |

Turbulence (Check all that apply)

- | Type | Severity |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| ☒ None | ☐ Light |
| ☐ Clear Air | ☐ Moderate |
| ☐ Terrain-Induced | ☐ Severe |
| ☐ Convective | ☐ Extreme |

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

None of note

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 ☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property *(Use additional sheet, if necessary.)*

Aircraft damage: Heat and arc damage to one riser cable and the associated quick link (at the envelope attachment). The load tape that attaches the envelope to the quick link was melted through. Burn hole in the "cuff" fabric that covers the cable/attach point to the envelope.

Property damage: Broken power line

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.

Weather prior to the flight was obtained from Foreflight, Hot Air (a balloon app) and KTOL (current condition, TAF, MOS and winds-a-loft). On this particular date the weather at the launch airport (KTDZ) was not fully functional and most data was missing. The weather was CAVOK and a pilot observation showed that the current weather at KTOL was the similar at KTDZ.

The balloon was inflated as normal. We departed the airport (KTDZ) at 19:16 EDT. The take-off, climb, cruise and descent phases of flight were all okay and normal. The goal of this particular flight was to use the winds (out of the east at the surface, out of the west at altitude (3000 to 4000 feet MSL)) to fly and navigate the winds back to the airport. It became apparent on the final portion of the flight that I would not make it to the airport, and I elected to make an off-airport landing (normal for flying hot air balloons).

There was no immediate hurry to land as I had plenty of fuel (1.5 hours remaining) and about 30 minutes until sunset. I did pick this landing site as it is large and open, flat and smooth, nice cut grass, easy access for my chase crew and I had landed there before. I was aware of power lines running along the north of the field (running East to West). My approach was East to West parallel to those power lines. I did see one lone pole in the middle field I was landing at, but I did not see any power lines running from that pole to the nearby North poles that were running parallel to my approach path. As I continued my controlled descent, my passenger (Mateo Knoll) said "Brad, are those power lines?". Once notified, I did see the power lines but at this point we were deep into the descent landing phase and the energy of the balloon was going down. I would estimate I had approximately 5 seconds to think, react and rectify. I felt I had two options: 1. Burn hard and out climb the power lines (with the "descent energy" this would have put the powerlines at the cables, uprights, fuel lines or basket level - all of these scenarios would have been disastrous). 2. Vent as hard as possible and try to drape only the fabric over the power lines and hope no metal contacts the lines. Yes, this all went through my head in the maybe 5 seconds, and I elected for option 2.....VENT!

At approximately 19:48 the envelope and upper portion of one riser cable contacted 2 wires, I heard the pop and seen the arc. The balloon landed as normal. I secured the fuel tanks, checked on the passenger's well-being, evacuated the passengers away from the powerlines and secured the balloon until the police, ambulance and fire trucks arrived.

OPERATOR/OWNER SAFETY RECOMMENDATION *(How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)*

The most obvious answer would be to see the power lines and avoid the power lines. It is in my opinion that there could be two contributing factors this this accident. At the time of the approach, I had a fantastic field picked out, good sized, nicely mowed, easy crew access, and I've landed there before. Could I have become target fixated? This would lead then to the second factor, complacency. It was a fantastic field, good sized, nicely mowed, easy crew access, I've landed there before, what could go wrong?

I am so thankful that even though I had a power line strike, there were no injuries and minimal damage. It disappoints me that I saw the lone pole but failed to see that power lines running to this pole. I've always thought I have been strict when instructing future balloon pilots to be vigilant of poles and powerlines. More vigilance is needed!

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on a 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.)

Steel riser cable, quick link and piece of load tape. Manufacture was Air Fly Balonismo E Inflaveis. No part numbers or serial numbers available at this time.

Steel riser cable had one arc mark and signs of heat.

Quick link had an arc mark.

Load tape was burnt/melted through from the hot quick link

Total Time/ Cycles On Part

7.0 Hours

_____ Cycles

Time Since This Part Inspected/Overhauled

7.0 Hours**FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION**

Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff

(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

35.0 Gallons

Fuel Type

☐ 100 Low Lead☐ Automotive☐ Jet A☐ Jet A-1☐ Unleaded AV☒ Other, specify LPG

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:

A normal evacuation was made in the normal evacuation method of departing a basket was made once I assessed that there were no arcing/sparking of wires. The passengers (3) and myself remained clear of the basket and powerlines until the area was deemed safe.

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☐ Substantial☐ Minor☐ None

Registered Owner of Other Aircraft

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

Name: _____

City: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Country: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Additional space for answers to any question.)

Pictures will be sent along with this completed form.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

I understand that the information provided may be subject to public release.

Date of this report:

08/30/2025

mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator: Bradley J. Burdue

Signature:

-or- ☒ Check here to electronically sign this document

If a person other than Pilot/Operator is filing this report

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

-or- ☐ Check here to electronically sign this document

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NTSB Accident/Incident No.	Reviewed by NTSB AS Division	Name of Investigator	Date Report Received
ERA25LA321	ERA	D. Boggs	08/31/2025