

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

This form to be used for reporting civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: KCRS - Corsicana State: TX

ZIP: 75109 Country: USA

Latitude: 32-01-41.0000N Longitude: 096-24-02.1000W

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

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 07/07/2018 Local Time: 11 AM
mm/dd/yyyy

Time Zone: Central

Collision with Other Aircraft: ☐ Midair ☐ On-ground ☒ None

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N314CT

Manufacturer: Rockwell International

Model: Commander 114

Serial Number: 14120

Year of Manufacture: 1976

Amateur-Built: ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes: ☐ Kit/Plans ☐ Make: ☐ Original Design

☒ IFR-Equipped and Certified

☐ Commercial Space Flight

☐ Unmanned Aircraft

Maximum Gross Weight: 3140 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 2640 lbs

Number of Seats: 04 Flight Crew Seats: 02

Cabin Crew Seats: 00 Passenger Seats: 02

Number of Engines: 1

Category of Aircraft

- ☒ 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
- ☐ 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

- ☒ Tricycle
- ☐ Amphibian
- ☐ Emergency Float
- ☐ Float
- ☐ Hull
- ☐ Tailwheel
- ☐ High Skid
- ☐ Skid
- ☐ Ski
- ☐ Ski/Wheel
- ☐ Other Launch/Recovery System
- ☐ None
- ☐ Unknown

Engine Type (Select one)

- ☒ Reciprocating
- ☐ Turbo Shaft
- ☐ Turbo Prop
- ☐ Turbo Jet
- ☐ Turbo Fan
- ☐ Electric
- ☐ Liquid Rocket
- ☐ Solid Rocket
- ☐ Hybrid Rocket
- ☐ None
- ☐ Unknown

Fuel System Type (Reciprocating)

☐ Carburetor ☒ Fuel-Injected

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Manufacturer's 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	Lycoming	IO-540-T4B5D	L-15199-48A		260	4044	75	266
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

- ☐ 100-Hour
- ☐ AAIP
- ☒ Annual
- ☐ Continuous Airworthiness
- ☐ Conditional Inspection
- ☐ Unknown

Date Last Inspection: 07/26/2017
mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 4044 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: _____

Description of Fire Extinguishing System

- ☒ None
- ☐ Specify: _____

Propeller 1

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
- ☒ Controllable Pitch
- ☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: MT-Propeller

Model: MTV-9-B

Propeller 2

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
- ☐ Controllable Pitch
- ☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

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 ☐ No

Was ELT still connected to antenna? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Did ELT Activate? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If activated:

Did ELT Aid in Locating Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If not activated:

- Indicate Reason:
- ☐ Impact Damage
 - ☐ Fire Damage
 - ☐ Battery Expired/Damaged
 - ☒ Unknown

Additional Equipment (Check all that apply)

- ☒ ADS-B
- ☐ Airframe Parachute
- ☐ Angle of Attack Indicator
- ☒ Autopilot
- ☐ Data Recorder
- ☒ Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device
- ☐ Electronic Multifunction Display
- ☐ Electronic Primary Flight Display
- ☐ Handheld GPS
- ☐ Heads Up Display
- ☐ Onboard Weather
- ☐ Satellite Tracking Device
- ☒ Stall Warning System
- ☐ Video Recording Device
- ☐ Other, Specify: _____

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION			
Registered Aircraft Owner Name: <u>N314CT LLC / Walter C. "Chip" May (Pilot)</u> Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No		City: <u>Arlington</u> State: <u>TX</u> ZIP: <u>76017</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	
Operator of Aircraft ☒ Same As Registered Owner Name: <u>Walter C. "Chip" May</u> Doing Business As: <u>N314CT, LLC</u> Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): _____		☒ Same Address as Registered Owner City: <u>Arlington</u> State: <u>TX</u> ZIP: <u>76017</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	
Operating Certificates Held <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ 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 91 Special Flight ☐ Non-US, Commercial ☐ Non-US, Non-commercial ☐ Public Aircraft <i>(Select one)</i> ☐ Armed Forces ☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ Local ☐ Unknown	Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135 <i>(Select one for each group)</i> ☐ Scheduled or Commuter ☐ Domestic ☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi ☐ International ☐ Passenger ☐ Cargo ☐ Mail Contract Only	
Revenue Sightseeing Flight ☐ Yes ☒ No	Air Medical Flight ☐ Yes ☒ No	Purpose of Flight for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137 <i>(Select one)</i> ☐ Aerial Application ☐ Firefighting ☐ Unknown ☐ 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	
AIRPORT INFORMATION <i>(Fill in if accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)</i>			
Airport Name: <u>David Campbell Field-Corsicana Municipal Airport</u> Airport Identifier: <u>KCRS</u> Proximity to Airport: ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☒ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/A		Distance From Airport Center: <u>0.10</u> sm Direction From Airport: <u>280(?)</u> degrees true Airport Elevation: <u>448</u> ft. msl	
Runway Information Runway ID: <u>32</u> (L/R/C) Length: <u>5004</u> ft Width: <u>75</u> ft		Condition of Runway/Landing Surface <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ 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	
Runway/Landing Surface <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Macadam ☐ Water ☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Metal/Wood ☐ Dirt ☐ Ice ☐ Snow ☐ Unknown			
Approach/Departure Segment <i>(Select one)</i> ☐ Taxi ☐ VFR Departure ☐ On Instrument Approach ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach ☒ Takeoff ☐ IFR Departure Procedure/Clearance ☐ Landing ☐ Base ☐ Go Around ☐ Initial Climb ☐ Final ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown) ☐ Crosswind ☐ Unknown			
IFR Approach <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ None ☐ ADF/NDB ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice ☐ SDF ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS ☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ ILS ☐ ASR ☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual ☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact ☐ RNAV ☐ Circling ☐ Unknown		VFR Approach <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ 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	

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

Crew Name and Address	Seat Occupied	Injury
First Name: _____ City of Residence: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____	☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Center ☐ Rear ☐ Right ☐ Single ☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown
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 ☐ 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
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs		

Crew Name and Address	Seat Occupied	Injury
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PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include cabin crew; continue on separate sheet if necessary)

Name and Address	Seat	Injury	Restraint Type	Inflatable Restraints	Age
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If Under 5, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
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Last Departure Point	Time of Departure	Destination	Type Flight Plan Filed
Airport ID: <u>KGKY</u>	Time: <u>9:55</u>	Airport ID: <u>KCRS</u>	☒ None ☐ VFR/IFR ☐ Company VFR ☐ IFR ☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown ☐ VFR
City: <u>Arlington</u>	Time Zone: <u>Central</u>	City: <u>Corsicana</u>	
State: <u>TX</u>		State: <u>TX</u>	
Country: <u>USA</u>		Country: <u>USA</u>	Activated? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Type of ATC Clearance/Service <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ None ☐ Special VFR ☐ Special IFR ☒ VFR Flight Following ☐ Cruise ☐ VFR ☐ IFR ☐ VFR On Top ☐ Traffic Advisory ☐ Unknown / NA				
Airspace where the accident/incident occurred <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ 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: <u>449</u> ft msl

Source of Pilot Weather Information <i>(Check all that apply)</i>	Weather Observation Facility
☐ National Weather Service ☐ Flight Service Station ☐ TV/Radio ☐ Automated Report ☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) ☐ On-Board Weather	Facility ID: <u>KCRS</u> Observation Time: <u>10:45</u> Time Zone: <u>Central</u> Distance from Accident Site: <u>0.10</u> nm Direction from Accident Site: <u>280</u> degrees true
☐ Company ☐ Military ☐ Internet ☐ None ☐ Unknown	

Basic Conditions ☒ VMC ☐ IMC ☐ Unknown	Light Condition ☐ Dawn ☐ Dusk ☐ Dark Night ☐ Unknown ☒ Day ☐ Night ☐ Bright Night
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Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition	Ceiling	Temperature: _____ (C) or _____ (F)
☒ Clear	☒ None (Clear)	
☐ Thin Broken	☐ Obscured	
☐ Few	☐ Broken	Dew Point: _____ (C) or _____ (F)
☐ Partial Obscuration	☐ Overcast	
☐ Scattered	☐ Unknown	
Lowest Cloud Condition Height	Ceiling Height	Altimeter Setting: _____ in. Hg or _____ MB
<u>4000</u> ft agl	<u>4500</u> ft agl	

Wind Direction ☒ Variable -OR- Direction: _____ degrees true	Wind Speed ☐ Calm ☒ Light and Variable -OR- Speed: _____ kts	Wind Gusts ☒ Not Gusting -OR- Speed: _____ kts	Visibility <u>10</u> miles RVR: _____ feet RVV: _____ miles Density Altitude: _____ ft
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Intensity of Precipitation	Type of Precipitation <i>(Check all that apply)</i>				Restriction to Visibility <i>(Check all that apply)</i>	
☐ Light	☐ None	☐ Drizzle	☐ Freezing Rain	☒ None	☐ Fog	
☐ Moderate	☐ Rain	☐ Ice Pellets	☐ Snow Shower	☐ Blowing Dust	☐ Ground Fog	
☐ Heavy	☐ Snow	☐ Snow Pellets	☐ Ice Pellets Shower	☐ Blowing Sand	☐ Haze	
☒ N/A	☐ Hail	☐ Snow Grains	☐ Freezing Drizzle	☐ Blowing Snow	☐ Ice Fog	
☐ Unknown	☐ Rain Showers	☐ Ice Crystals		☐ Blowing Spray	☐ Smoke	
				☐ Dust	☐ Unknown	

Icing Forecast Amount ☒ None ☐ Trace ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown Type ☐ N/A ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed ☐ Unknown		Icing Actual Amount ☒ None ☐ Trace ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown Type ☐ N/A ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed ☐ Unknown		Turbulence Type <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ None ☐ Clear Air ☐ Terrain-Induced ☐ Convective Turbulence Severity ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Extreme	
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None

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 ☐ Explosion at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

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

Left wing tip came off with contact with tree
Two of the propellers damaged
Left wing root damaged and fuel tank opened
Knocked down about 40 feet of barb wire fence 2 metal fence posts.

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.

FAA Incident Report

Date: 7 July 2018

Aircraft: N314CT

AC11 - Rockwell Commander 114

Pilot: Walter C. "Chip" May

Date: 7 July 2018

Approximately time of Incident 11:00 CDT +/-

Airport: KCRS

One person on board - Pilot

No injuries - only pride

Incident occurred during VFR conditions no weather issues.

I had just received N314CT out of maintenance on 5 July to replace an altitude hold servo and send my JPI-900 in for a software upgrade we were not able to complete locally. Today 7 July I wanted to take the plane up for a quick down and back flight to KCRS to check the altitude hold. Later today I am leaving for Norway and a cruise and will not return until 23 July.

I completed a preflight on the airplane. and complete a computer review for weather.

On my way down to KCRS I asked for flight following and spoke to KDFW departure; Waco approach; Fort Worth Center then I canceled my flight following

My normal practice is to rotate take off practice; normal, short field, soft field takes off and have never had any issues. I also practice soft field landings, short field landings and short approaches on a regular base.

Incident:

Today being alone I decide with the light wind to practice a soft field take off. A) I had just landed and taxied back and preformed a mag check run up - no issues. B) I pulled on to the runway 32 set the plane straight. C) trim set for take off D) Set flaps to 20 degrees d) Elevator control to my belly e) full power.

Upon feeling the nose wheel come off the ground I started to let the aft pressure off as I found the ground effect all felt normal. As my view out of the windshield came in I saw i was drifting left and tried to adjust with right rudder - hard and then harder. I felt I was not getting good rudder control. Now I was in ground effect but did not have positive control and new I was in trouble I choose to land the plane in the grass. I had not retracted the landing gear.

I hit a evergreen tree/bush with my left wing and went through the bar wire fence all on the ground. I shut the engine down and secured the aircraft and walked back to the FBO.

I was feeling very good today and had no cockpit distractions. I love flying this plane and platform and very familiar with my plane.

The N314CT is running great and I usually fly form 100-125 hours per year and as high as 145. I love to fly and fly safely.
Note the N314CT is for my wedding anniversary and my two children first initial of their first name.

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RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

- 1) Not attempting a soft field take off on the day you have an international flight to get back home for.
- 2) Feel the error was primary with not enough ground speed my last thought of ground speed as the nose was coming off the ground holding the yoke tight to my belly was crossing 55.
- 3) Hesitated on abort procedures.
- 4) Use the available runway size and resources.

This plane is a solid plane and responds well to yoke and elevator control.

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

N314CT was running awesome

**Total Time/Cycles
On Part**

_____ Hours

_____ Cycles

**Time Since This Part
Inspected/Overhauled**

_____ Hours

FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION

Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff
(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

40 _____ Gallons

Fuel Type

- ☐ 80/87 ☐ 115/145 ☐ Jet B ☐ Other, specify _____
☒ 100 Low Lead ☐ Jet A ☐ JP8
☐ 100/130 ☐ Jet A-1 ☐ Automotive

Other Services, if Any, Prior to Departure

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFT

Was an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Method of Exit – Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location

Pilot opened the door and evacuated the plane like normal.

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 ☐ Minor
☐ Substantial ☐ None

Registered Owner of Other Aircraft

Name: _____
City: _____
State: _____ ZIP: _____
Country: _____

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: _____
City: _____
State: _____ ZIP: _____
Country: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Please type or print in ink)

Use this space if additional space is needed for any answers.

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

Date of this Report

07/24/2018

mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator: Walter C. "Chip" May

Signature: 

-- or --

☐ Check here to electronically sign this document

If a Person Other than Pilot/Operator is Filing Report

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

-- or --

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Name of Investigator
Eric Swenson

Date Report Received
07/25/2018