

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: Heber City State: UT

ZIP: 84032 Country: USA

Latitude: N40 28 54.5 Longitude: W111 25 43.7

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

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 09/24/2018 Local Time: 0940-0950
mm/dd/yyyy

Time Zone: Mountain

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

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N823HE

Manufacturer: Kenneth Heidorn

Model: RV-14

Serial Number: 140082

Year of Manufacture: 2016

Amateur-Built: ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes: ☒ Kit/Plans ☐ Original Design Make: RV-14

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

Maximum Gross Weight: 2050 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 1828 lbs

Number of Seats: 2 Flight Crew Seats: 2

Cabin Crew Seats: _____ Passenger Seats: _____

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

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

- ☐ Tricycle ☒ Tailwheel
☐ Amphibian ☐ High Skid
☐ Emergency Float ☐ Skid
☐ Float ☐ Ski
☐ Hull ☐ Ski/Wheel
☐ 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	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	<u>Lycoming</u>	<u>YIO 390 EXP10</u>	<u>EL 426 80E</u>	<u>07/18/2016</u>	<u>210</u>	<u>138</u>		
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

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

Date Last Inspection: 10/15/2017
mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 138 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: Hartzell

Model: HC C2YR 1BFP

Propeller 2

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

ELT Installed: ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

ELT Manufacturer: ACK Technologies

Model or Part No.: E04

TSO No.: ☐ OC91 (121.5 MHz) ☒ OC91a (121.5 MHz)
☐ OC126 (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: Ken HeidornCity: Heber CityFractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ NoState: Utah ZIP: 84032Country: USA**Operator of Aircraft**☒ Same As Registered Owner☒ Same Address as Registered OwnerName: Ken Heidorn and Louie Tessler

City: _____

Doing Business As: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): _____

Country: _____

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 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 ☐ 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

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: Heber City- Russ McDonald FieldDistance From Airport Center: 0 smAirport Identifier: KHCRDirection From Airport: on airport degrees trueProximity to Airport: ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☒ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/AAirport Elevation: 5637 ft. msl**Runway Information**Runway ID: 22 (L/R/C) Length: 6898 ft Width: 75 ft**Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)**

- ☒ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Macadam ☐ Water
☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Metal/Wood
☐ Dirt ☐ Ice ☐ Snow ☐ Unknown

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
☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual
☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact
☐ RNAV ☐ Circling
☐ Unknown

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

☒ 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: Louis

City of Residence: Park City

Middle Initial: A

State: UT ZIP: 84098

Last Name: Tessler

Country: USA

Age at time of Accident/Incident: 51 Date of Birth: 1967 mm/dd/yyyy

Certificate Number:

Degree of Injury

☒ None
 ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor
 ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

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
☐ Student
 ☐ Sport
 ☒ 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

08/14/2018
 mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations

none

Medical Certificate Special Issuance

none

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

04/07/2018
 mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: Boeing

Model: B757 (simulator)

Airplane Rating(s)

(Check all that apply)
☐ None
☒ 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 Multi-Engine
 ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane
 ☐ Glider
☐ Powered Lift
 ☐ Sport

Type Ratings

Boeing 737, 747, 757, 767, DC9, A330, A320, SD3

Student Endorsements (Include dates)

Flight Time (Enter appropriate number of hours in each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time	16000	17	>1000	>10000	>3000	>3000	200	n/a	n/a	n/a
Pilot in Command (PIC)	>6000	12	>1000	>5000	>2000	>2000	100			
Time as Instructor	>500	0	>400	>100	>100	0	0			
This Make/Model					0	0	0			
Last 90 Days	133	17	17	120	30	10	0			
Last 30 Days	48	6	6	40	20	10	0			
Last 24 Hours	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 2" INFORMATION

"Flight Crewmember 2" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident

☐ 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 ☐ Fatal ☐ Minor ☐ Unknown ☐ Serious	Seat Occupied ☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown ☐ Right ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single	Restraint Type <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Available</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Used</th> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ None</td> <td>☐ None</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ Lap only</td> <td>☐ Lap only</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 3-point</td> <td>☐ 3-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 4-point</td> <td>☐ 4-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 5-point</td> <td>☐ 5-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ Unknown</td> <td>☐ Unknown</td> </tr> </table>	Available	Used	☐ None	☐ None	☐ Lap only	☐ Lap only	☐ 3-point	☐ 3-point	☐ 4-point	☐ 4-point	☐ 5-point	☐ 5-point	☐ Unknown	☐ Unknown	Inflatable Restraints ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown				
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Medical Certificate Limitations

Medical Certificate Special Issuance

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

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: _____
Model: _____

Airplane Rating(s) <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ None ☐ Single-Engine Land ☐ Single-Engine Sea ☐ Multiengine Land ☐ Multiengine Sea	Other Aircraft Rating(s) <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ None ☐ Airship ☐ Balloon ☐ Glider ☐ Gyroplane ☐ Helicopter ☐ Powered Lift	Instrument Rating(s) <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ None ☐ Airplane ☐ Helicopter ☐ Powered Lift	Instructor Rating(s) <i>(Check all that apply)</i> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td> ☐ None ☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Airplane Multi-Engine ☐ Gyroplane ☐ Powered Lift </td> <td> ☐ Instrument Airplane ☐ Instrument Helicopter ☐ Helicopter ☐ Glider ☐ Sport </td> </tr> </table>	☐ None ☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Airplane Multi-Engine ☐ Gyroplane ☐ Powered Lift	☐ Instrument Airplane ☐ Instrument Helicopter ☐ Helicopter ☐ Glider ☐ Sport
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Type Ratings

Student Endorsements *(Include dates)*

Flight Time <i>(Enter appropriate number of hours in each box)</i>	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						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)						
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		☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Private ☐ Student ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Recreational ☐ Sport ☐ Commercial ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ US Military ☐ Foreign			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	
First Name: _____ City of Residence: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____			☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Center ☐ Rear ☐ Right ☐ Single ☐ Unknown		☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	
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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)						
Name and Address		Seat	Injury	Restraint Type		Inflatable Restraints
First Name: <u>David</u> City : <u>Park Ctiy</u> Middle Initial: _____ State: <u>UT</u> ZIP: <u>84098</u> Last Name: <u>Klodnicki</u> Country: <u>USA</u> ☐ 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 <i>If Under 5,</i> ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
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 <i>If Under 5,</i> ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
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FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point Airport ID: <u>KHCR</u> City: <u>Heber City</u> State: <u>UT</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	Time of Departure Time: <u>0940-0945</u> Time Zone: <u>Mnt</u>	Destination Airport ID: <u>Local</u> City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____	Type Flight Plan Filed ☒ None ☐ VFR/IFR ☐ Company VFR ☐ IFR ☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown ☐ VFR Activated? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown
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Type of ATC Clearance/Service (Check all that apply)				
☒ None	☐ Special VFR	☐ Special IFR	☐ VFR Flight Following	☐ Cruise
☐ VFR	☐ IFR	☐ VFR On Top	☐ Traffic Advisory	☐ Unknown / NA

Airspace where the accident/incident occurred (Check all that apply)			Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence: _____ ft msl
☐ 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	

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE

Source of Pilot Weather Information (Check all that apply)	Weather Observation Facility Facility ID: <u>KHCR AWOS</u> Observation Time: <u>0934-0940 local</u> Time Zone: <u>mountain</u> Distance from Accident Site: <u>0</u> nm Direction from Accident Site: <u>n/a</u> degrees true
☐ National Weather Service ☐ Flight Service Station ☐ TV/Radio ☒ Automated Report ☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) ☐ On-Board Weather	☐ 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 ☒ Clear ☐ Thin Broken ☐ Few ☐ Thin Overcast ☐ Partial Obscuration ☐ Unknown ☐ Scattered Lowest Cloud Condition Height <u>clr</u> ft agl	Ceiling ☒ None (Clear) ☐ Obscured ☐ Broken ☐ Indefinite ☐ Overcast ☐ Unknown Ceiling Height _____ ft agl	Temperature: _____ (C) or <u>65</u> (F) Dew Point: _____ (C) or <u>?</u> (F) Altimeter Setting: <u>>30.00</u> in. Hg or _____ MB
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Wind Direction ☒ Variable -or- Direction: _____ degrees true	Wind Speed ☐ Calm ☐ Light and Variable -or- Speed: <u><7</u> kts	Wind Gusts ☒ Not Gusting -or- Speed: _____ kts	Visibility <u>cavok</u> miles RVR: _____ feet RVV: _____ miles Density Altitude: <u><7500</u> ft
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Intensity of Precipitation ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Heavy ☐ N/A ☐ Unknown	Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply)	Restriction to Visibility (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	☒ None ☐ Fog ☐ Blowing Dust ☐ Ground Fog ☐ Blowing Sand ☐ Haze ☐ Blowing Snow ☐ Ice Fog ☐ 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 (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Clear Air ☐ Terrain-Induced ☐ Convective Turbulence Severity ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Extreme
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NOTAMs (D and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident:

n/a

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)*

more than minor damage, unknown yet if "substantial". Left main gear wheel fairing hit taxiway sign, wheel fairing came off and at point where left strut meets fuselage there is damage. Right wingtip struck ground prior to landing. Unknown extent of damage but right aileron is rubbing against trailing edge of wing. Scratches and several holes on bottom of fuselage from taxiway sign contact. Taxiway sign was damaged.

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.

Arrived KHCR around 0845-0900 mountain local time Monday, September 24, 2018. Planned local pleasure flight and discussed possible stop for fuel depending on how long we stayed up. Fuel stops would've been either KEVW or U69, U69 most likely as discussed. As with every flight I've done since buying partnership in the RV-14, I would do a few Touch & Go's before departing the KHCR area. Aircraft partner and original builder arrived at hangar same time we did. As I did my preflight inside the hangar, the 3 of us chatted and I gave my friend some briefing on the RV. He is a licensed pilot, but had no RV experience. We got in and started the engine at 9:33am. As I taxied to the RWY22 run-up area, I listened to AWOS for KHCR. Winds were within 20 degrees of rwy 22 and they were 6 to 7 kts. 2 aircraft were in the runup area behind us, one Cessna jet took off before us, and at least one aircraft was in the pattern doing Touch & Go's on RWY 22. After take-off, I entered left traffic for 22. Perfect day, beautiful weather. All good until just after my first touchdown. For some reason I can't explain, after the tailwheel came down I couldn't keep the aircraft on centerline and was pulling to the right. From this point on in my description, I must emphasize that description is.. "to the best of my recollection"...Everything happened fast, and my actions were quick and instinctual. Applying more and more left rudder, I couldn't stop the aircraft from going right. I felt my current speed was too fast to apply hard braking or differential braking to force the aircraft to the left. When I was 10-15 feet from right edge of runway, I applied power to regain rudder effectiveness and control so as not to exit the right edge of the paved surface. When I advanced the throttle the nose quickly pointed 10-15 degrees left of centerline. Again, I sensed braking straight and/or differential braking would lead to loss of directional control or nosing over the aircraft. There was no room to stop on the paved surface at that speed, so I made the decision to get airborne. I never looked at my airspeed indication as all my attention was focused outside. I sensed I had enough room at current speed with flaps still down to get airborne as I accelerated but was headed directly for a taxiway sign on the left edge of RWY 22. I eased the nose to the right to avoid a prop/engine strike with the sign and attempted to get off the ground but ended up hitting the sign with the left landing gear wheel fairing. I cannot recall if I made it slightly airborne before the sign, but immediately after impact I definitely was. The noise and force of hitting the sign was enough that my immediate instinctive reaction was to pull the throttle to idle and land the aircraft in the "safety area" grass between the ramp and runway. I stopped the aircraft, shut it down, and we both exited with no injuries..not even a scratch. We were surprised to see that we damaged the right wingtip since we didn't recall the wing making ground contact, but it was obvious it did. The impact with the taxiway sign was not sufficient to activate the ELT. After 15-20 minutes of clearing my head and trying to piece together what had just happened, we pushed the aircraft off the grass with help from others who had come out to us. I then tugged the aircraft back to the hangar. Shortly after putting the aircraft in the hangar and consulting part 830, I contacted the NTSB to make notification. I'm pretty sure my call to them was 11:15am local time. Airport management removed the sign and debris from the impact area. The wheel fairing was the only aircraft part that became detached from the airplane.

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

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

Aside from what was almost certainly my error in controlling the aircraft...and knowing that even without the sign placement I would have exited the paved surface of the runway..the sign placement on the edge of the runway is less than ideal. I was surprised to hear that the grass area between the ramp and runway was termed a "safety area" due to the sign placement. The very next morning another larger twin engine aircraft lost control on landing after a tire/landing gear failure and came to a stop in the exact same spot where I impacted the sign 24hrs earlier.

Having instructed and signed off many students in tailwheel aircraft years ago and flying solo PIC in B-18's in the 1990's, it didn't take much for me to become comfortable in this aircraft after 20-25 take-off and landings. I felt I was competent even to the point that I took both my 7yr and 10yr old boys flying in this aircraft. I'm so grateful they weren't with me for this incident. I had never had an uncontrollable situation landing or taking off before this... ever...in any tailwheel to include this RV-14 which I flew with the owner 4 times before he was confident in my ability. I would never have wanted to fly it alone until I felt the same.. This has been an embarrassing and humbling experience.

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.)

**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)

25 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

normal exit. opened canopy and exited

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.

in the aircraft info, it asks how many crew seats and how many pax seats the aircraft has. This is a 2 seat aircraft with access to all controls from both seats. Though my passenger was a licensed pilot, he had no familiarity with this aircraft and was occupying the seat as a passenger. He did not operate the controls at any time.

The ELT info box only allows one choice to be marked, but the manufacturer told me the ELT is C126 (406MHz) capable as well as C91a. Though this is irrelevant because the ELT did not activate.

in approach/departure segment section I checked "unknown" since the form again only allows one choice. As I state above, this was a touch and go. I lost initial directional control after landing, but the incident occurred during my attempted take-off.

My ratings include Flight Engineer and CFI. Both these ratings are not current.

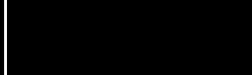
With the exception of "Total Time" my reported flight times are (>) greater than. In most cases, "far" greater than the numbers listed. My logbook has been electronically kept by my employer since 1995. We don't log "actual" night or instrument flying. And I have no clue how many hours I've spent in simulators over 23yrs at the airlines conducting "simulated" instrument or night flying

I can't recall the exact WX info at the time of the incident. Temperature was 60-65, no clue on dewpoint or exact density altitude. It was clear skies and I remember the wind almost definitely was 6 knots and it was within 20 degrees of runway direction. I recall right, but not sure. I recall the altimeter being higher than 30.00. Probably closer to 30.10. I searched for historical AWOS data for KHCN but couldn't find it.

This report originally created on 10/02/2018 and minor clarifications, editing with no changes based on or due to submission date.

Feel free to contact me anytime for further info or any clarification needed.

Louie Tessler

**I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE****Date of this Report**10/2/2018*mm/dd/yyyy***Name of Pilot/Operator:** Louis Tessler**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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