



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Person Contacted: John Fishburn
NTSB Accident Number: GAA19CA431

Narrative:

Mr. John Fishburn contacted the NTSB Response Operation Center to notify NTSB of the event near FA81 today. He was put on with the NTSB Eastern Region Duty Officer at 1223 EDT.

He leases the airplane from the owner and is allowed to fly the airplane 100 hours a year.

With respect to the flight, he, his wife and their Chihuahua were on-board on the flight from KBCT to FA81. Another airplane, a Piper was accompanying them. They departed BCT at 1015 and flew to FA81. The Piper airplane landed first, and then he initiated an approach to runway 26 with full flaps extended. He mentioned that he was too fast a speed (was maintaining 70 knots of approach), and floated down the runway touching down about ½ way down the runway.¹ Realizing that he was unable to stop, he added power to go-around, but reported the airplane was not climbing. The airplane impacted mangroves about ½ mile west of FA81. He and his wife and dog exited the airplane and were rescued by a boater. They were not injured. He was asked if there was anything wrong with the airplane or its systems or the engine or engine systems that caused the accident and he replied he did not think so. He was asked where the flaps were positioned for the go-around and he replied that he thought he raised them to the first notch.

¹ According to AirNav, runway 26 is a grass runway 2,175 ft long