



NTSB RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Person Contacted: James Craik (Flight Instructor)
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The following is a summary of a telephone conversation with the above mentioned:

The flight instructor reported that he believed the airplane was rigged improperly, but the student pilot, and owner, believed it was correct. When utilizing the throttle control, if you take your hand off the throttle, it will spring full open and the “engine would go wide open.”

The flight instructor reported that they were practicing landings to the east at the student pilot’s private airstrip, which is a one way in runway. The airplane bounced hard and the student pilot “went wide open throttle.” He thought the student was performing a go around, but they had not discussed go around procedures previously. The airplane continued toward the end of the airstrip, but the student pilot was not going around and was not landing either. He took the flight controls, but the airplane struck trees about 15 ft off the ground, spun around, and stopped about 4 ft from the ground.