



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: February 16, 2016
Person Contacted: Mr. Steven Bohus (aircraft owner)
NTSB Accident Number: WPR16LA071

Narrative:

The following is a synopsis of the information provided by Mr. Bohus in a telephone conversation on this date:

- Mr. Bohus is the owner of the aircraft
- It was an Evolution Revo trike
 - It is a weight-shift controlled aircraft
- He based the aircraft at Buckeye Municipal airport (BXK)
- The pilot was a "friend of a friend"
 - The pilot & his wife were temporarily in the Phoenix area for a business trip of the wife
 - The pilot had some free time and repeatedly/strongly requested to be allowed to fly the aircraft
 - The pilot showed the owner his flight instructor endorsement for weight shift aircraft
 - He had about 15-17 hours in weight shift aircraft
 - The pilot spoke very confidently about his abilities/skills
 - These factors combined to cause the owner to decide to allow the pilot to fly the aircraft
- The owner had recently purchased the aircraft, and had only more recently flown it on his own
- The owner and pilot took the aircraft out for an uneventful flight the evening prior to the accident
 - The owner was the PIC
 - The accident pilot was a passenger
- On the day of the accident, both individuals conducted the preflight; no anomalies were noted
- The pilot reportedly planned to do a solo flight, and then return for an unspecified passenger
- The takeoff roll on runway 17 was normal, but shortly after breaking ground, the wing went to the "full flare" position

- o When asked to elaborate, the owner meant that the wing was at the full wing leading edge up position, which normally would be accomplished by the pilot pushing fully forward on the control bar
- The wing remained in that position, and the aircraft climbed rapidly and steeply, but then appeared to stall
 - o The maximum altitude between 100' and 150' agl
 - o The aircraft then "rounded out," and descended rapidly to the ground in a nose-down attitude