

Dear Mr. Horrell,

July 29,2021

The following is my account of the events that occurred on June 21, 2021.

At 3:45 am, Rick McCarthy and myself left Gillespie Field in my Cessna 182 tail number N2087F in route to Caldwell Idaho and then on to Warren. We had VFR flight following direct to Caldwell. I was the PIC and we landed in Caldwell at 10:30 am local time. The plane was fueled with 40 gallons of 100 LL while we were getting breakfast. Prior to departure we did a follow up weather check for McCall and Warren. Unfortunately, we were unable to get a good radio frequency for an accurate update in Warren however, Fore Flight did not report any significant weather for the area.

At 12:00pm we departed Caldwell with Rick as the PIC and I was right seat. The flight was uneventful until our approach to Warren. Rick did one fly over to assess the conditions and then attempted to land the plane. As he approached he realized that the air speed was too excessive to land and he aborted the landing. His plan was to make a go round for a second approach.

The high DA affected our ability to climb to an appropriate altitude and we impacted the first tree. The left wing was significantly damaged but we were still able to fly. However, the plane was unable to gain altitude. We made several attempts to avoid collision with the terrane but eventually we ran out of space and the plane crashed into a marshy grove of small pine trees at 1:00pm. The cabin immediately burst into flames and we both were scrambling to remove our seat belts to exit the plane on the left side. Once outside of the plane we regrouped and moved farther away to a creek about 50 yards away. The flames continued to intensify and the plane exploded.

It is my understanding that a search group was sent out from Warren and we were located about 5 hours later. The explosion created a small forest fire that was contained by local fire jumpers.

Please let me know if you have any further questions or require any explanations to this report.

Respectfully,

John G. McClelland

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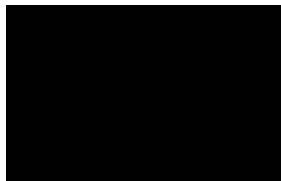
On April 21, 2021 at approximately 3:15, Robert Carver came to our cabin for help to look for possible downed plane. We loaded water, ems and fire extinguisher on my 4 wheeler, and Robert on dirt bike.

I went Smiths Knob direction, found smoke at the headwaters of May Flower Creek. Shut off 4 wheeler, heard a cry for help. Radioed Robert to go to town for life flight.

Took 4 wheeler as close to crash as I could. Then walked $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile to find plane. I found 2 men sitting on ground by plane wreckage close to fire in extreme shock and very bad burns all over their bodies. The crash had started a fire. I asset the situation, got them to drink water. Used fire extinguisher to put fire out around them. Talked to them, asked questions seeing how coherent they were. Asked if they felt they had internal injuries beside their very bad burns. Asked if they felt capable of getting away from the fire and possibly walking up to the road. I got them both standing and got them stable on their feet. In a $\frac{1}{4}$ of mile, Robert got back and helped get them to the road. That took about 2 hours. By the time we got to the road, Life Flight landed. Also Helitack crew came to fight the fire. Life Flight first took John. We stayed with Rick and Ian (life flight emt) until Life Flight returned.

Danny Rosselli

April 21, 2021



April 21, 2021, around 1 pm, I was sitting at my kitchen table when I looked up to see a plane flying low just above treetops by our cabin. It was flying angled, not level. The passenger side was up higher. The temperature was 80 degrees, clear sky. We have all been taught to never fly in the hot of the afternoon. There is always a wind here in the afternoon. But I did not pay attention at that time. I was thankful the plane made it up over the next two cabins and trees.

Approximately 3:15 pm Robert Carver came and asked Danny if he would help look for that plane. The Baum Shelter had gotten calls concerning the transponder reporting a crash. Danny & Robert packed water, ems, fire extinguisher and our bca radios and headed towards Warren Summit.

An hour or less, Robert came back to cabin and said Danny had found plane South side of Smiths Knob and requested Life Flight and help with the forest fire from the plane. Robert left to go help Danny. I called 911 and got Valley County, they transferred me to Idaho County. I worked with Stephanie, dispatcher, and communicated with Robert on our radios.

Wendy Rosselli

4/21/2021

