









Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location: Pinedale, Wyoming

Date & Time: May 30, 2024, 11:03 Local

Aircraft: OKLAHOMA FAT TIRE FLYERS LLC

CCX-2000

Defining Event: Loss of control on ground

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

Accident Number:

WPR24LA176

Registration: N58QT

Aircraft Damage:

Substantial

Injuries: 2 None

Analysis

The pilot of the tailwheel-equipped airplane reported that upon landing, the aircraft "immediately darted to the left" and ground looped. The right main landing gear collapsed, and the right wing and elevator impacted the ground, resulting in substantial damage to both. The pilot indicated that he may have inadvertently applied pressure to the left toe brake during touchdown.

The pilot reported that there were no preaccident mechanical failures or malfunctions with the airplane that would have precluded normal operation.

Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be:

The pilot's failure to maintain directional control during the landing roll, which resulted in aground loop.

Findings

Aircraft	Directional control - Not attained/maintained
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Personnel issues Aircraft control - Pilot

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Factual Information

History of Flight

Landing-landing roll	Loss of control on ground (Defining event)		
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Pilot Information

Certificate:	Private	Age:	67,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Front
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	None
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	
Medical Certification:	BasicMed With waivers/limitations	Last FAA Medical Exam:	August 22, 2023
Occupational Pilot:		Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	October 6, 2022
Flight Time:	(Estimated) 1015 hours (Total, all aircraft), 36 hours (Total, this make and model), 831 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 20 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 10 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 9 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Passenger Information

Certificate:		Age:	Female
Airplane Rating(s):		Seat Occupied:	Rear
Other Aircraft Rating(s):		Restraint Used:	4-point
Instrument Rating(s):		Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):		Toxicology Performed:	
Medical Certification:		Last FAA Medical Exam:	
Occupational Pilot:	No	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:			

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Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	OKLAHOMA FAT TIRE FLYERS LLC	Registration:	N58QT
Model/Series:	CCX-2000	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:	2021	Amateur Built:	Yes
Airworthiness Certificate:	Experimental (Special)	Serial Number:	CCX-2000-0115
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	May 5, 2023 100 hour	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	2000 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	209.4 Hrs at time of accident	Engine Manufacturer:	Lycoming
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	CC363i
Registered Owner:	POINT2POINT LLC	Rated Power:	186
Operator:	On file	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KPNA,7086 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	0 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	10:55 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	115°
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Broken / 5500 ft AGL	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	6 knots / 10 knots	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	None / None
Wind Direction:	245°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	N/A / N/A
Altimeter Setting:	30.21 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	10°C / -5°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	Laramie, WY (LAR)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	Pinedale, WY	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	08:34 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class E

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Airport Information

Airport:	Ralph Wenz Field Airport PNA	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	7096 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	Runway 29	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	8900 ft / 100 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Full stop

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:		Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	2 None	Latitude, Longitude:	42.797389,-109.81102

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Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Whitaker, Kathryn
Additional Participating Persons:	John Berens; Federal Aviation Administration; Denver, CO
Original Publish Date:	July 25, 2024
Last Revision Date:	
Investigation Class:	Class 4
Note:	The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident.
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=194394

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