

Aircraft Occurrence September 2023

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| Ref | Date of Occ | Registration | Location of Accident | Aircraft Type | Operations (Private, Training) | Province | Fatalities | Circumstances |
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| TBA | 02-09-2023 | ZU-IHA | FAPY | Apollot T | Operation of parachutes | FS | 0 | The pilot reported that after he had dropped the last group of skydivers he headed for New Tempe Airport and, whilst he was on downwind, the engine stopped. He then made a radio call that he had an engine failure. He later landed on a farm just outside the airport. The aircraft sustained damage to the nose landing gear and the propeller blades. |
| TBA | 05-09-2023 | ZU-EKI | FAKM | PA-28-140 | Aviation Training Organisation | GP | 0 | The pilot reported that they were on a cross country and were going to land at the Kimberly aerodrome as part of the cross country. The pilot lined up on final approach and the aircraft touched down and that's when he realised that the rudder was stuck on the left. The aircraft veered off to the left of the runway and the nose wheel broke. The aircraft sustained damage to the nose landing gear and propeller blades. |
| TBA | 08-09-2023 | ZS-RKK | Rustenburg | R44 Raven II | General Operating and Flight Rules | NW | 0 | According to the pilot who is also the owner, he took off from his farm on a private flight with intentions to go assist in locating games (wild animals) on one of his friend's private farm. Upon arrival at the farm, the helicopter was landed on an open field with long dry grass. During landing while still settling the helicopter and was initiating a shutdown procedure, the pilot noticed one of the farm workers waving to him and pointing towards the rear. As the pilot looked, he noticed a smoke emanating from the side of the exhaust. At the time the engine had already been shut down. The pilot jumped outside with the onboard fire extinguisher with intention to extinguish the fire. Due to the intensity of the fire and the size of the extinguisher, the attempt was in vain. The fire got intense and suddenly set the helicopter alight. The pilot and other people run away from the intense fire to a distance and watched the helicopter engulfed by the veld fire that erupted. The helicopter was destroyed by fire. |

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