

News Release

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Clearwater County Statement on Aircraft Accident

(Rocky Mountain House, Alta.) – Clearwater County is deeply saddened by the loss of pilot Ken Fowler and passenger Hannelie Eder on Saturday, September 26, as the result of an aircraft accident.

Mr. Ken Fowler served as the Manager of the Rocky Mountain House Airport for the last 22 years and was a beloved member of the local flying community.

"Ken's fervent belief in public service and commitment to aerobatics in western Alberta will be greatly missed," said Reeve Timothy Hoven. "There are few communities that are fortunate enough to have benefitted from the hard work, dedication and expertise that Ken brought to his role every day."

Mr. Fowler was a passionate aviator who co-founded Team Rocket Aerobatics, which is among the most highly regarded airshow routines in North America. Under the leadership of Mr. Fowler, the Rocky Mountain House Airport became a thriving aviation hub that will continue to grow in his absence for generations to come.

Ms. Hannelie Eder served as an employee for the Town of Rocky Mountain House and was a skilled pilot and active member of the local flying community. With a background in specialized policing, Ms. Eder took great pride in providing safety and security to the communities in which she served.

Clearwater County would like to extend its sincere condolences to the families of Mr. Fowler and Ms. Eder.

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