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**Regular meetings every
3rd Sunday of each
month at 1:00 p.m.**



Next Meeting

This Sunday Oct 14th at Al Frazer's hangar located at Laconia Municipal Airport. Time of meeting is 1:00 PM. Topic of discussion will be continued progress on training aircraft and other subjects of interest. This will probably be the last meeting at Laconia as the fair weather flying season is just about over. Call Al for directions if you do not know where his hangar is located. Arrive early if you wish to talk about aviation related topics. John will be there continuing his efforts to troubleshoot his engine problems.

Trainer Progress

The conversion from a side by side configuration to tandem seating is nearing completion. The longer, drop keel is in, the cheek plates have been made and I think drilled. It's been some time since we actively worked on this project. Now that winter is here we can continue making this become a reality. All who are interested are urged to

For Sale

Parsons two-place gyro for sale. Contact Rusty Blake: 207-663-4404. B8-

Barnett JB-4

We have a near complete two seat Barnett for sale. Normally for about 5k, this rolling frame needs an engine, rotors, and some instruments. Then up you go. Price reduced to \$1,000. This is pennies on the dollar for what it would cost.

Drop Keel Gyro

This Dominator style drop keel gyro, Tail w/ HS, 1100 cc Kawasaki Engine, seats two, a great flyer, Many options. A steal at \$12,500 Call Ray Mahue at 207-465-3203 This is a beautiful machine.

Beautiful Bensen B8-M

Really nice Bensen, many upgrades, under 5 hours, dragon wings. Call or write to John.

Attend and help out. If you just want to watch the experts (that's us), that's ok to. This has taken years to get this far and to give up now would certainly not help the Chapter's ends of dispersing information regarding gyros.



Lisa has been to hell and back, never flown in a small aircraft before, experienced a real life engine failure at altitude, and she's still smiling. Must be the company she keeps.

September Meeting

This month's meeting was as typically fun as they get. All key players in the Chapter attended making for a great get together, catching up on each other's progress, or lack thereof. John is still troubleshooting his engine. That skipping condition is still there and not even thinking of flying until it is fixed and running properly. The electronic fuel injection system is very sensitive to any problems with fuel delivery, like clogged filter. The engine will shut down to protect itself. Shown are Dale and John checking the fuel pressure from both pumps. All appears to be good. Troubleshooting continues.



Not related to engine problems is the heater fan. Sometime last spring the fan stopped working. Though not needed during the summer it sure is nice to have during the cold months of winter. The totally enclosed cabin holds the heat well, even when it's twenty degrees outside. The inside remains at a comfortable level. The panel had to be pulled exposing all wires. This also allowed a full inspection of all wires connected to the fuel pumps and circuit breakers all of which checked out well. It appears that the fan's connection wires had a small issue and is now working fine. Now to reconnect several wires and tidy this mess up.



It was not all work. Master Griler Dale is hard at work preparing delicious cuts of steak and beef, courtesy of Mike Paquin. Lisa watches on insuring that the "woman's touch" is present. We do get hungry at our meetings. Many travel very far to attend.



We were so busy with things to do that we forgot to hold the meeting. No further plans were made this day. Mike did perform another thrust test. Although his ship is flying, Mike feels a little more adjustments are in order. With a current thrust of 292 lbs. on this day. It is possible to get just a little more out of his 50 HP aircooled two stroke engine. This is just some of the fun you missed if you didn't attend. Our next meeting is this Sunday, 10/14.

