Jet Packs



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History

In the 1950's the Army contracted the Bell Aerospace Corporation to make a rocket belt (an early name for jet pack). However, the first flights were not attempted until the 1960's. Wendell Moore was the first tester pilot. However, he fell ten feet fracturing his knee and was replaced by Harold Graham. On April 20, 1961 Graham flew eighteen inches off the ground and flew one hundred feet forward at ten miles an hour. This was the first major step for the jet back.

Who will it Impact?

Jet packs will impact people.



What will it Impact?



Jetpacks will impact:

- Car Businesses
- Airports
- Boats

If everyone had their own jetpack why would they buy a car or pay for a airplane ticket when they could just fly there themselve. Car businesses and airports would not be able to survive.

Pros



Some of the pros that would come from readily available jet packs are things such as...

- Quicker medical attendance in emergency situations for paramedics.
- Would better the process of resupplies between ships, as well as being faster than a helicopter.
- Improved medivac for wounded soldiers.
- Moving equipment to and from places that are not as easy to access for a helicopter.

Cons



- Expensive
- Humans are not built for flying
- Short flying time

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Summary



We feel that considering all of the pros and cons of jet packs we are for them. However, we feel that having jet packs for medical and medical military use is the best of the benefits that can come from jet packs. Humans are not made for flight and the use of jet packs for recreational use is not the best application for this technology.

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