

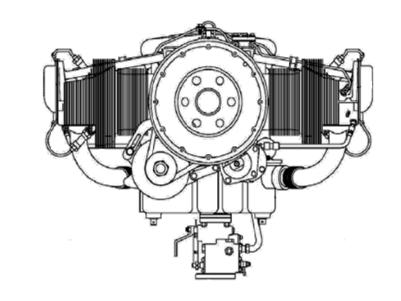


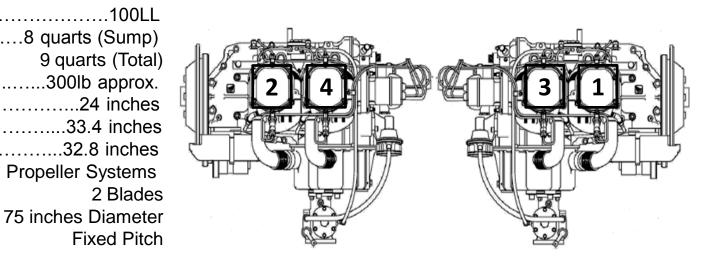
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# GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

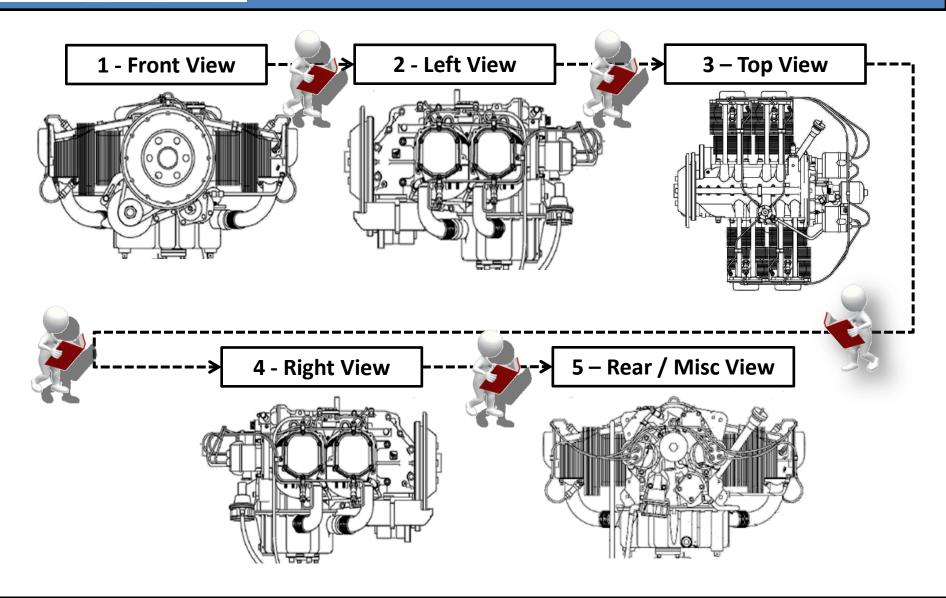
Manufacturer	Lycoming Textron
Model	IO-360-L2A
Type	Normal Aspirated
	Air Cooled
	Horizontally Opposed
	Port Fuel Injected
Displacement	361 Cubic inch
Derated Power	160hp
Derated Speed, RPM	2400
Bore	5.125 inch
Stroke	4.375 inch
Compression Ratio	8.5:1
Firing Order	1-3-2-4
Fuel	
Oil	8 quarts (Sump)
	9 quarts (Total)
Weight	300lb approx.
Height	
Width	
Length	32.8 inches
PropellerMcCau	ley Propeller Systems
	2 Blades







# RECOMMENDED ORIENTATION



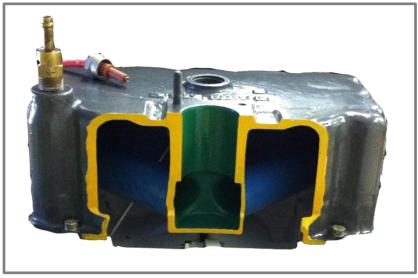


## COLOR CODING



## **Color Coding**

Throughout this learning experience on the cut-out specimen of Lycoming IO-360-L2A, you will discover that several parts on the engine have been painted in 3 different colors. This is merely to distinguish the different mixtures / byproducts, circulating within the engine during an actual operation.



Oil Sump - Bottom View



Cylinder – Bottom View



**Blue** – Depicts parts of the engine where **Engine Oil** circulate



**Red** – Depicts parts of the engine where **Exhausted Byproducts** circulate



**Green**— Depicts parts of the engine where **Air / Fuel Mixture** or **Positive Charge** circulate



**Yellow** – Depicts parts of the engine which have been cut-out for learning purposes

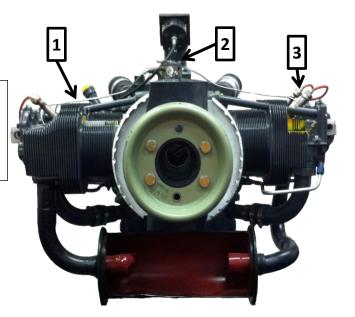


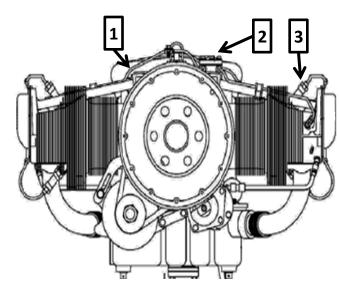
## FRONT VIEW

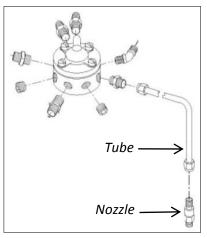
1...... Fuel Injector / Tube / Nozzle

2....Fuel Injection Manifold

3.....Spark Plugs







**Fuel Injection System** 

## 1 & 2 - Fuel Injection Manifold / Tube / Nozzle

In contrast with the Carburettor System, the Fuel Injection System generally increases fuel efficiency and is less susceptible to Throttle Icing. It accurately distributes

air/fuel mixture to all cylinders, churning greater power output than the Carburettor system. Fuel Atomization i.e. producing fine air/fuel mixture based

on Venturi Effect, takes place at the Nozzles.

3 – Spark Plugs

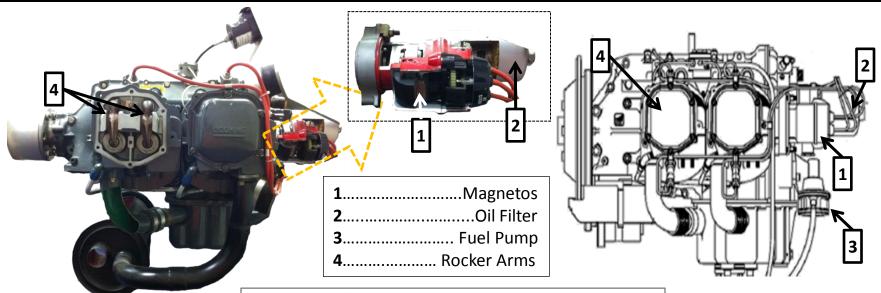
The Spark Plugs supply the spark that ignites the air/fuel mixture so that combustion can occur. The spark must happen at just the right moment for things to work properly. In this Textron Lycoming IO-360-L2A, there are a total of 8 spark plugs, two for each cylinder.



**Electrode Aviation** Spark Plug



## LEFT VIEW



## 1 – Magnetos

Lycoming IO-360-L2A utilises 2 engine driven Magnetos which provide alternating current to the spark plugs. Main parts of a Magneto are a Permanent-Magnet Rotor, Primary a Winding, a Secondary Winding, Circuit Breaker, and a Capacitor. The process generally collapse involves the and reversal of magnetic field in the



**Engine Driven Magnetos – Bottom View** 

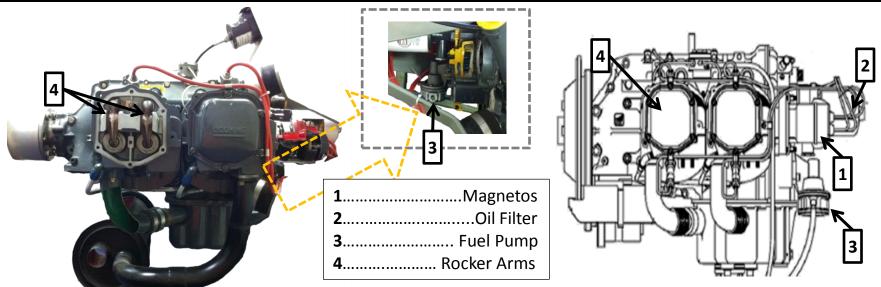
windings which send current to the spark plugs. Being driven by the *Main Gear (connected to the Crankshaft)* via the *Accessories Gear,* the Magnetos do not require battery for their operation.

#### 2 – Oil Filter

Oil Filter removes contaminants from the engine oil, circulating in the engine, which can shorten the lifespan of the engine. The filter also has an over-pressure mechanism that will allow oil to flow through it even when the filter has been clogged up by sediments.

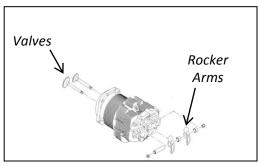


## LEFT VIEW



#### 4 - Rocker Arms

Rocker Arms are a vital component in an Internal Combustion Engine. They are acted on by the Camshaft and precisely push open either Intake or Exhaust Valves.



**Rocker Arms Assembly** 

This allows fuel and air to be drawn into and expelled from the Combustion Chamber during Intake and Exhaust Stroke respectively.



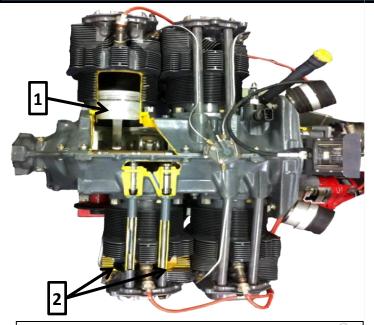
Engine Driven Fuel Pump – Bottom View

## 3 – Fuel Pump

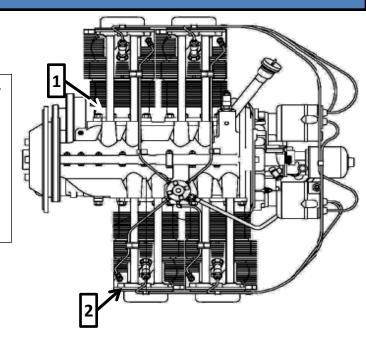
Similar to the *Magnetos*, C172R is equipped with an engine driven *Fuel Pump* and an Auxiliary Pump. A faulty *Fuel Pump* may lead to fuel starvation but can be resolved by activating the Auxiliary Pump.

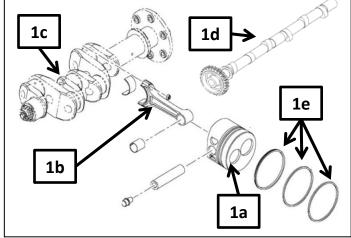


## TOP VIEW (A)



1	Piston Assembly
1a	Piston
1b	Connecting Rod
1c	Crankshaft
1d	Camshaft
1e	Piston Rings
<b>2</b> Int	take & Exhaust Valve





**Piston Assembly** 

## 1 – Piston Assembly

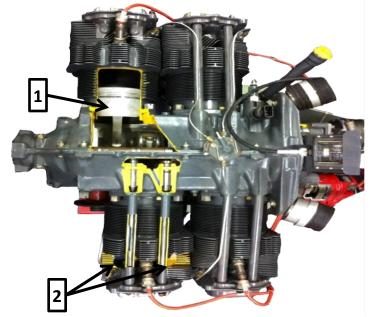
A *Piston* (1a) is a moving component of reciprocating engines that is contained by the cylinder. The cylinder is made gas-tight by 3 *Piston Rings* (1e). The top two *Piston Rings* are *Compression Rings*. The lowest ring is the Oil Control Ring, which lubricates the piston skirt and the compression rings.

#### 1c - Crankshaft

The *Crankshaft* translates reciprocating linear piston motion into rotational motion by means of "*Crank Throws*", which are connected to the pistons via the *Connecting Rod* (1b). This in turn drives the propeller of the Cessna 172.



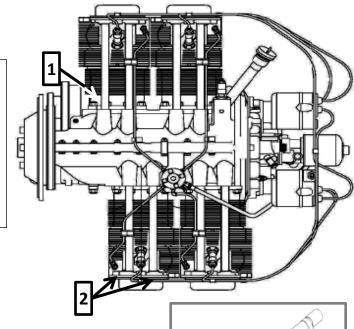
## TOP VIEW (B)



Push Rods  Exhaust Valves 'Red'
Intake Valves 'Green'

Intake & Exhaust Valve

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1a	Piston
1b	Connecting Rod
1c	Crankshaft
1d	Camshaft
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<b>2</b> Inta	ke & Exhaust Valve



1d

Camshaft

### 1d - Camshaft

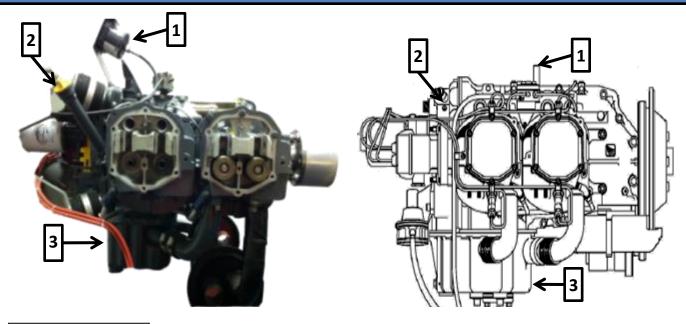
The *Camshaft* uses lobes to assist in opening and closing the *Intake* and *Exhaust Valves*. The camshaft is geared to the crankshaft and rotates at half its speed.

#### 2 - Intake & Exhaust Valve

The *Intake Valve* opens during the *Intake Stroke* for the air-fuel mixture to be drawn into the combustion chamber prior to the *Compression Stroke*. The *Exhaust Valve* opens subsequently, allowing for exhaust gases to be expelled from the combustion chamber during the *Exhaust Stroke*. Both of these valves are precisely controlled by the *Camshaft* via the *Push Rods* and Rocker Arm.



## RIGHT VIEW



1	Tachometer Module
2	Oil Dip Stick
3	Oil Sumn

C172R Tachometer

## 1 - Tachometer

Tachometer is an instrument used to show the rate of rotation of the engine's crankshaft measured in revolution per minute. There are ranges that are set in place for safe operation of the aircraft which should be adhered to by the pilot. "Redlining" may generate excessive heat or over-stress the engine's internal components.

## 2 – Oil Dip Stick

Oil Dip Stick is used to measure the

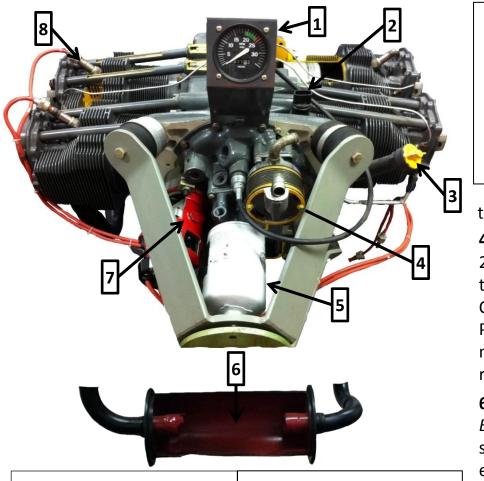
quantity of oil in the sump, located at the bottom of the engine, by removing the stick and then checking the extent that it is covered by the oil. Recommended to be at 6-8 quarts.

## 3 - Oil Sump

Being a Wet Sump system, the engine is lubricated by oil which is pumped from the reservoir (sump) into various moving parts such as bearings and pistons. Thereafter it is allowed to drain back to the sump, at the base of the engine, under gravity.

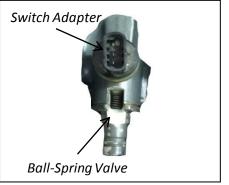


# REAR / MISC VIEW



<b>1</b> Tach	ometer Module
2Low Oil I	Pressure Switch
3	Oil Dip Stick
4	Vacuum Pump

5	Oil Filter
6	Exhaust Muffler
7	Magneto
8	Spark Plugs



Low Oil Pressure Switch

### 2 - Low Oil Pressure Switch

Connected to the cockpit central Warning Annunciator, the Low Oil Pressure Switch will prompt the pilot if the oil pressure within the engine is below the pre-determined set value (80psi @ 180°F). Engineers may vary the value

to a desired safe operating range via the Ball-Spring Valve.

## 4 – Vacuum Pump

2 engine driven *Vacuum Pumps* provide constant air supply to all essential *Air Driven* gyroscopic equipment on board C172R i.e. *Directional Indicator* and *Artificial Horizon*. Particular attention is given to the *Pump Vanes* during maintenance servicing which will indicate the physical running condition of the pump.

### 6 - Exhaust Muffler

Exhaust Mufflers are normally installed as part of the exhaust system of an internal combustion engine to suppress the exhaust noise to a acceptable level thru "Destructive Interference", which essentially uses resonating exhaust noises to cancel each other. This is achieved by a series of chambers and passages within the Muffler.



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