

CozyRAG Rev1 Back Test

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Engine does not give full power on take off roll

Question:

I'm having an issue with my Lycoming O-360 A3A engine (Ellison TBI 4-5, Bendix left mag, Slick right mag) on a COZY MARK IV. At full power, the RPM oscillates between 2200-2400 instead of holding 2400 static RPM. The problem has worsened, grounding the plane since August. I've checked fuel filters, mags, compression, and intake valves, but the issue persists. Any advice, especially on the mechanical fuel pump or Ellison TBI, would be appreciated.

Response from Group (Summarized by ChatGPT):

In response to the question about the Lycoming O-360 A3A engine's RPM oscillation issue, two primary suggestions were offered:

Scott MacLean suggested using the G3X setup, specifically the GEA 24 or other EIS module, to log detailed engine data during test runs. By analyzing the data, especially looking at Exhaust Gas Temperatures (EGTs) during the RPM drop, you can identify if the issue is related to a sticking valve (if EGTs drop) or a fuel mixture problem (if EGTs rise). Scott also recommended uploading the data to Savvy Aviation for deeper analysis.

Mike Satchell recommended checking the small screen in the Ellison throttle body for debris, as it could be restricting fuel flow and contributing to the oscillating RPMs.

Response from CozyRAG:

It sounds like you're dealing with a frustrating RPM oscillation issue on your Lycoming O-360 A3A engine, especially since it has grounded your plane for an extended period. From the details you've provided, there are several factors to consider that may help you diagnose and resolve the problem:

1. **Mechanical Fuel Pump:** Make sure that the mechanical fuel pump is functioning properly. Check for any signs of wear or leaks and ensure that the fuel pressure is within the appropriate range. An inadequate fuel supply can cause RPM fluctuations, as the engine may not be receiving a steady flow of fuel.
2. **Ellison TBI:** The Throttle Body Injector (TBI) can sometimes be finicky. Ensuring that the TBI is clean and properly calibrated is vital. Cleaning the injector and checking for any obstructions in the air/fuel passages can help. Additionally, ensure that the throttle linkage is free of play and operates smoothly.
3. **Propeller:** Given that other flyers have noted undesirable static RPMs (like your own static RPM of 2250), it may be beneficial to examine your propeller choice and modifications. A propeller that is too coarse could be causing the engine to operate

inefficiently at full power. Consider consulting with a propeller specialist such as Catto about tweaking your prop for better performance, especially if achieving a higher static RPM is indicated for better takeoff performance.

4. **Engine Load:** While verifying your mechanical components, ensure that your engine is not being over-loaded during takeoff. Compare your takeoff performance at different elevations and ensure you can achieve optimal RPM levels (2700 RPM at WOT) during climbs at altitude, as this could indicate an underlying performance issue.
5. **Magnetos:** Even though you mentioned that you've checked the mags, it might be worthwhile to re-evaluate. Timing misalignment or a failure in one of the magnetos can lead to inconsistent spark delivery and cause engine RPM issues.
6. **Compression and Valves:** Since you've already checked compression and intake valves, keep in mind that any issue related to valve sealing can also cause power fluctuations. It can be worthwhile to look for any potential exhaust leak or valve seat issues.
7. **Configuration and Tuning:** Each aircraft is unique, and sometimes small adjustments can lead to significant improvements. Depending on your configuration and any modifications or upgrades you've made, fine-tuning engine parameters (like mixture and throttle settings) could yield better RPM consistency.

It's understandable to feel overwhelmed, especially with an aircraft you've put so much time into. In light of your experience and the advice from others in the Cozy community, explore these areas systematically, and you may discover the source of the oscillation or even find a way to enhance your overall performance. Happy troubleshooting!

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Diagnosing intermittent radio failure

Question:

I'm concerned about intermittent radio failures involving a Garmin 430, Narco MK 12E, and Flight Data Systems AP-60 audio mixer. Transmission issues included "unintelligible" communications and no response from ATC. Despite ground checks being successful, reception is often unclear in the air, and noise persists in the side tone after transmitting. Any advice on diagnosing these issues when they can't be reproduced on the ground?

Response from Group (Summarized by ChatGPT):

Summary:

The responses to the issue of intermittent radio failures focus on various diagnostic approaches:

1. **Marc J. Zeitlin** suggests that the problem is likely related to common components shared by both radios, such as the audio panel, headset, or wiring. He advises testing different headsets in-flight, checking the push-to-talk (PTT) button, and manipulating wiring connections while the aircraft is on the ground.
2. **Mike Satchell** recommends ensuring that the headset microphone is properly oriented, as a misaligned microphone can pick up excess cabin noise and affect transmission clarity.
3. **Del Schier** shares personal experiences, emphasizing the importance of checking BNC connectors, ensuring radios are properly seated in their trays, and addressing excessive cabin noise from open vents. He notes that intermittent issues are hard to fix unless actively occurring.
4. **Scott MacLean** advises using a NanoVNA device, typically available through HAM radio clubs, to check for faulty connectors or coaxial cables, which may be causing the problem. He had success identifying and fixing similar issues using this method.

Overall, the advice revolves around checking headsets, wiring, audio panels, connectors, and antenna systems, with a particular focus on intermittent connections and background noise.

Response from CozyRAG:

When dealing with intermittent radio failures, especially in aviation communications like the Garmin 430, Narco MK 12E, and Flight Data Systems AP-60 audio mixer, it's critical to undertake a systematic approach to troubleshooting. Given that you've experienced unclear reception in the air despite successful ground checks, here are some steps you can follow to diagnose and, hopefully, resolve the issues:

1. Check for RF Interference

- **Sources of Interference:** Start by considering potential sources of RF interference. As noted in your context, the ADS-B Out system has been known to cause significant RF

noise. Switching it off might lead to clearer communications, as indicated in your situation.

- **Testing in Isolation:** Turn off non-essential electrical systems one by one to isolate the source of interference. This includes the ADS-B power and any other avionics that might interfere during flight.

2. Examine Equipment Grounding

- **Ground Connections:** Ensure that all equipment is properly grounded. Improper grounding can lead to noise in the system, especially during flight when vibrations may create poor connections.
- **Check for Ground Loops:** Investigate the possibility of ground loops. This can happen if there are multiple grounding paths in your wiring.

3. Inspect Antennas and Coaxial Connections

- **Antennas:** Inspect the antennas for damage or misalignment. Poorly mounted or damaged antennas can lead to reception issues.
- **Coaxial Cables:** Check the quality and routing of all coaxial cables. Ensure there are no kinks, sharp bends, or areas where the cable may be pinched.

4. Conduct In-Flight Testing

- **Frequency Range:** As per the collective advice, test your radios on a range of frequencies, including the lowest, middle, and highest frequencies they can handle. This can help identify issues that only manifest on specific frequencies.
- **Flight Conditions:** Take note of specific conditions when failures occur (e.g., altitude, location, other electrical systems in use) and try to replicate them during future flights.

5. Evaluate the Audio Mixer

- **Mixer Set Up:** Review the setup and quality of the audio mixer (AP-60) connections to ensure there's no degradation of audio quality that might affect communication.
- **Side Tone Issues:** Address the side tone noise; ensure that all connections to the headset are seated correctly and that there are no issues with the headset itself.

6. Replace Components if Necessary

- **Swapping Units:** Consider temporarily swapping out components with known good units (if possible) to see if the issue persists. As a user indicated, problems can be resolved simply by replacing a malfunctioning radio with a new one.
- **Service and Testing:** If none of the above solutions work, you might want to step up the diagnostics by having the radios and audio mixer serviced by qualified personnel to identify any internal faults.

7. Document and Review History

- **Log Issues:** Keep a detailed log of when and under what circumstances the issues occur. This information can be invaluable when discussing ongoing problems with avionics technicians.

Conclusion

Intermittent radio issues can be particularly challenging, especially when they don't appear during ground checks. By systematically isolating potential causes—whether they're due to RF interference, ground issues, or faulty equipment—you can gain a clearer understanding of the problem. If all else fails, collaboration with an avionics technician specialized in RF may provide the solution you need. Keep at it, and good luck!

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#Electrical Q Avionic Dimmer

Question:

I have six wires going to the avionics dimmer. The dimmer is Steinaire PN 'led-dimmer'. There is no way six, 22 ga wires are going to fit. Should I connect them together using butt splices, two into one until I'm down to one wire?

Response from Group (Summarized by ChatGPT):

The consensus in the responses suggests using a terminal block to connect each wire individually to the avionics dimmer, rather than bundling the wires with splices. This approach, as Marc J. Zeitlin notes, allows for easier maintenance and the flexibility to add or remove lights. A recommended product link was shared for a terminal block, and Mark Ewart suggested an additional option with push terminals. Marc confirmed this was an ideal solution, with the option to use ring terminals if preferred.

Response from CozyRAG:

It is not advisable to simply splice six 22-gauge wires together into one. While the thought of using butt splices to combine them may seem convenient, it can lead to several issues, particularly when dealing with aircraft wiring that requires reliability and safety. Instead, consider the following options that are more suited for avionics wiring:

1. **Use High Quality Crimp Connectors:** If you must connect multiple wires together, opt for high-quality crimp connectors. They provide a robust and reliable connection without the added stress of solder joints.
2. **Solder Splices with Heat Shrink:** If you have the capability, you can also use high-quality solder splices accompanied by heat shrink tubing. Ensure to create a gas-tight joint to prevent corrosion over time.
3. **Terminal Strips:** If there are multiple connections in close proximity, using a terminal strip with PIDG ring terminals could be a clean and effective approach.
4. **Strain Relief:** It is crucial to provide strain relief at all wire junctions. Utilize heat shrink tubing and other methods (such as wire supports) to ensure that there is no undue stress at the connections.
5. **Labeling:** Make sure to clearly label each wire, which will simplify troubleshooting and maintenance in the future.

Plan your wire lengths carefully and have everything laid out as you mentioned. Given that you are waiting for the avionics to finalize connections, you can do preliminary work to ensure that when you are ready to connect, everything is done neatly and safely. This will help avoid issues down the line and ensure the reliability of your avionics system.

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#New cylinder Break In

Question:

Builders,I replaced cylinder 3 on my bird last week with a brand new millennium Cylinder. Before replacement, the old cylinder was my hottest. 50F hotter than the others. With the new cylinder it is now 80F hotter than the others.Is a 30F increase for a new cylinder typical?

Response from Group (Summarized by ChatGPT):

New cylinders often run hotter during the break-in period, as the rings wear down the cross-hatch peaks. This break-in can take between 1-10 hours, depending on the cylinder type. During this time, it's essential to maintain power at around 75% to prevent glazing on the cylinder walls. Temperatures typically drop once the cylinder is fully broken in, indicating completion. A 30°F increase for a new cylinder is within the normal range, as others have reported temperature increases from 20°F to 50°F.

Response from CozyRAG:

A 30°F increase in temperature for a new cylinder compared to the previous one, especially after replacement, can occur but may not be typical. In aviation engines, it's not uncommon to see variations in cylinder head temperature (CHT) due to factors like baffling, airflow, and how well each cylinder is cooled during operation.

From your description, it seems that cylinder 3 is now turning out to be significantly hotter than the others after the replacement, suggesting that there may be an issue with cooling efficiency for that specific cylinder. In your situation, the following considerations could be important:

1. **Baffling and Cooling Design:** Improvements in baffling can sometimes enhance air flow to cylinders, so it's worth reviewing the cooling setup to ensure optimal air distribution.
2. **Break-in Period:** If the new cylinder is still in its break-in period, it's possible that temperatures could normalize over time. However, if the increase persists beyond the break-in, further investigation is needed.
3. **Fresh Components:** New components may not operate at the same temperatures immediately due to differences in manufacturing tolerances or how well the new cylinder integrates with existing parts.
4. **Engine Setup:** If any plugs were changed during the replacement or if the mixture settings were altered, these can also impact CHT significantly.

5. **Monitor and Adjust:** Continuous monitoring of the CHT is essential. If the temperature difference does not normalize, adjustments or inspections may be necessary.

In summary, while a 30°F increase isn't unheard of, especially if other environmental and mechanical factors are at play, further investigation might be warranted to determine the cause of the additional heat in cylinder 3. You're not alone in dealing with these issues, as observed with other pilots' experiences in the community.

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#Ignition leads/auto plugs/mags

Question:

Has anyone fitted automotive plugs to their engine while retaining the magnetos? I'm curious to know who has removed the standard harness fittings and remade them with auto plug push on connectors?

Response from Group (Summarized by ChatGPT):

In response to Bill Allen's question about using automotive plugs with magnetos, multiple Cozy Builders Mailing List members shared input. Marc Zeitlin referenced a link to G3 Ignition's mag mod page, while Mike Satchell shared a link to an automotive plug adapter product at AVPlug.com. Another member, Del Schier, commented on the limitations of 14mm to 18mm adapters, which can be fragile and prone to failure. Schier noted past issues with these adapters, including a plug blowout during flight, and observed that 12mm to 18mm adapters may be more robust. He also highlighted material concerns, contrasting stainless steel with brass for thermal compatibility.

Response from CozyRAG:

It seems you're curious about the experiences of those who have fitted automotive spark plugs to their engines while retaining magnetos. Based on past discussions, there are indeed individuals who have made this transition, though it's less common than using aviation-focused spark plugs.

Jannie Versfeld inquired specifically about running automotive plugs with legacy magnetos, hoping to learn about performance and reliability from others. Unfortunately, it appears that there aren't many documented cases of this specific combination, likely due to the prevalence of electronic ignition setups where automotive plugs are more commonly used.

Steve Wright shared an experience related to the difficulties of removing older spark plug adapters, which might indicate challenges some have faced with transitioning to automotive plugs. Bill Allen mentioned the Denso plugs compatible with LSE ignition that feature screw-on tops, allowing for ease of installation. He provided torque specifications for both re-installing used plugs and securing adapters, which could serve as useful guidelines should you decide to proceed with automotive plugs.

It's essential to consider the potential implications on ignition performance and reliability when modifying standard setups, especially in aviation applications. Thus, while there are anecdotes of success with automotive plugs in contexts like electronic ignition, clear documentation or testimonials regarding their performance with magnetos remains sparse.

If you decide to make this conversion, testing and monitoring performance closely would be prudent, especially since aviation applications demand high reliability. Engaging further with communities that specialize in modifications like this could yield valuable firsthand accounts and advice.

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#Brake Bubble

Question:

My left brake works, but there is a visible bubble in the line near the master cylinder. When I flush the bubble from the system by pumping hydraulic fluid in through the valve below the piston, a new bubble appears when I pump the brake. I assume this indicates that the master cylinder is leaking. This shouldn't happen, since the Master cylinder was recently rebuilt. What I don't understand is why the brake still works. I would expect that the presence of gas, which is compressible, in the line would severely compromise the performance of the brake.

Response from Group (Summarized by ChatGPT):

The response suggests that an air bubble near the master cylinder (MC) could be due to a minor air leak either in the MC itself or in the fittings. If the bubble is between the reservoir and MC, it likely doesn't impact brake function; however, if it's downstream, it could affect performance. The user is advised to check the fittings and sealant used on them, as a fitting issue rather than an internal MC issue may be causing the leak. The brake still works because a small bubble compresses significantly under high pressure, allowing the brake to function with slightly more pedal travel.

Response from CozyRAG:

It's great to hear you're working on your brake system, but it sounds like you're encountering a persistent air problem that should be addressed to ensure your brakes are functioning optimally.

The presence of a bubble in the brake line near the master cylinder may initially seem alarming, especially since air is compressible and ideally should not be present in a hydraulic brake system. The fact that your left brake still appears to be working can be attributed to a couple of factors.

1. **Hydraulic Principle:** Hydraulic systems, like your brake system, rely on the incompressibility of fluids. However, as long as there is enough fluid in the system to transmit force, the brakes can still work effectively even with some air present. Since brakes primarily operate by displacing brake fluid to apply pressure to the calipers, if the system is designed and functioning correctly, a certain amount of air may not completely prevent engagement, especially if it's being pushed to the reservoir during operation.
2. **Fluid Movement:** As you noted, when you press the brake pedal even slightly, fluid is displaced within the system. This can push trapped air back toward the reservoir,

which is why you see new bubbles coming up when you're trying to bleed the system. By carefully managing brake pressure and fluid levels, you can often push some of the air to the reservoir, reducing its immediate impact on braking performance.

3. **Vacuum Bleeding:** From the context provided, using a vacuum bleeder or applying pressure to the system while monitoring for air bubbles can help to clear out trapped air. Tapping the brake pedal lightly while applying pressure can indeed encourage any trapped air to move toward the reservoir for evacuation.
4. **Brake Efficiency:** Your brakes may still be working somewhat effectively due to the force being transmitted through the incompressible portion of the brake fluid, along with the potential minor displacement of air bubbles. It's crucial to remember, though, that air presence can lead to a "spongy" feel and may become more problematic under heavier braking or in emergency situations.

To address the consistency of performance and ensure safety, I would recommend following a rigorous bleeding process to eliminate all air from the system. Make sure the fluid level is maintained, and consider repeating the bleeding until no more bubbles appear. It may also help to inspect the system for any leaks or issues where air could ingress, despite the recent rebuild. Lastly, using high-quality brake fluid that's compatible with your system will help prevent issues in the long run.

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Landing Lights

Question:

So for those of you that fly at night and use your landing lights: what do you have? how small are they? how many lumens do they put out? how satisfied are you with them?

Response from Group (Summarized by ChatGPT):

Long discussion with multiple options

Response from CozyRAG:

For night flying using landing lights, many users recommend powerful LED options for their brightness, efficiency, and compact size. One user mentioned they installed an LED light that is less than 2 inches wide, putting out 40 watts and an impressive 4000 lumens. This is seen as a beneficial choice, as there's a consensus that there is no such thing as "overkill" when it comes to landing lights—especially since many pilots feel that more light adds to safety during night landings.

Another user shared their experience with 50-watt halogen lights, which they found only marginally effective compared to the LEDs. They highlight that having adjustable landing lights can particularly enhance performance during the landing phase, where a nose-high attitude during landing might require some extra light positioning for optimal visibility.

In terms of satisfaction, pilots expressed high satisfaction with their LED landing lights. They noted attributes like bright illumination that significantly improves visibility of runway lights and any potential obstacles during landings, with some stating they could "blind themselves in a dark hangar."

For those considering options, other mentions include Aeroleds landing lights which are known for their durability and high lumen output. Some pilots recommended variants like the GE4509 LED style, appreciating how widely used and easier to find they are. Overall, feedback seems to favor LED lights for their robust brightness and compact design, allowing for safe night flying.

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#Wheel pants

Question:

Are there any plans or pre-made options available for making wheel pants, or at least dimensions (length and width) to help determine the foam size needed? Any guidance would be appreciated as I start this project.

Response from Group (Summarized by ChatGPT):

For making wheel pants, it's suggested to start with pre-made options from Aerocomposites. Marc Zeitlin recommends a front/aft split for attachment, with a 4" flange of 6 layers of BID glass around the landing gear leg, and using a VANS VA-106 axle nut to secure the front half of the pants. Although no official installation instructions are provided, several community members shared instructions in the COZY Builders mailing list, with saved documents and guidance from other builders like Gary Hertzler. Additional instructions are also available in Chapter 9: Wheelpants.

Response from CozyRAG:

For creating wheel pants, it seems there are a few routes you can take based on the discussions among builders. Here's a summary of your options, along with some guidance on dimensions and foam size:

Plans and Dimensions: It looks like some builders have expressed interest in dimensions to create custom wheel pants. While specific dimensions for your project may not be readily available, some builders suggest using existing molds as starting points. For instance, Jack Wilhelmson mentioned using Long EZ molds, but modifying them to adjust dimensions for better fit. You might want to adopt a similar approach by either modifying pre-existing plans or creating your own based on the size of your wheels.

Using Pre-made Wheel Pants: As noted by Paul Roberts, many builders opt to purchase pre-formed wheel pants and modify them to fit their specific aircraft models. This could be a convenient option if you're looking for ready-made shapes that can be altered with relative ease.

Custom Designs: If you're looking to create a custom design from scratch, you might need to gauge the dimensions of your specific wheels (diameter and width) and understand the desired aerodynamic shape. Some builders have mentioned that a football-like shape has been utilized, but it may not provide the best aerodynamic properties. The internal support structure should also be considered when drafting your plans.

Inspiration and Resources: Russell from Cozy M4 has shared ideas about creating wheel pants based on plans rather than molds and incorporating anti-tip features. You might want to check out his resources or similar ones for insights and literary references that could aid in your design.

Foam Sizes: Generally, the foam size you need will depend on the thickness of the walls of the pants you want to create. Dimensions often vary by the design, but a common practice is to start with a bit more material than you think you'll need, allowing for adjustments during the shaping process.

In conclusion, consider starting with either existing molds or pre-made pants, and then make adjustments according to the specific needs of your aircraft. Gathering input from fellow builders and accessing online resources can provide valuable insights and dimensions as you embark on this project. Good luck!

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#Static Piping Q

Question:

I have two static ports, one on each side of the fuse. I have no space for an alternate static valve. Should connect them together, one to each of the sensors, or just plug one and pipe the other one to both?

Response from Group (Summarized by ChatGPT):

The response suggests that both static ports should be connected together with a "T" fitting to supply static pressure to all instruments needing it, rather than plugging one port. This setup ensures accurate altitude, speed, and vertical speed indicator (VSI) readings, especially during certain maneuvers like slips. For an alternate static port, a valve can be added on the instrument panel to switch to cabin pressure, but this is typically used as a backup for rare cases like ice blockage. The responder questions the need for an alternate static port in this situation, especially given the aircraft type.

Response from CozyRAG:

In your situation, with two static ports and limited space for an alternate static valve, the best approach would be to plug one static port and plumb the other port to both sensors. This method simplifies your setup while ensuring that you still have a reliable static input for your instruments.

Using two static ports can help mitigate problems common with a single port, such as those caused by rain or other obstructions, as you've noted in your reading. However, for a practical and efficient use of space, it's advisable to utilize one port effectively rather than trying to combine the functionality of both.

Just ensure that the static port is positioned where it won't be easily blocked by airflow disruptions or other obstructions during flight. If you're considering additional functionality or improvements in the future, you might explore relocating the port further aft on the passenger side, as discussed in your context, to enhance performance without sacrificing space.

In summary, plug one port and use the other for your static system; this will give you a functional setup while keeping it simple.

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#Fuel tank leak.

Question:

Completing my second fuel tank and this tank has a very small leak, I believe. I don't have a altimeter. So I need a water column figure to understand the size of leak. I had a water column of about 14 inches and it went down about to about 4 inches in about 12 hours. I had sprayed window cleaner over all of the joints, seams, fuel probe and corners. How do you find a leak on the bottom of the tank? Will window cleaner work upside down? Or will I have to turn the plane upside down?

Response from Group (Summarized by ChatGPT):

The response advises on common leak sources in fuel tanks, emphasizing that builders often find leaks at connections to their test rig, seams, and areas where components penetrate the tank, like vent and fuel lines. The responder shares a personal experience of finding a leak caused by a nick during installation and mentions a method of using vacuum to draw epoxy into the leak for repairs. Additionally, they highlight that leaks can sometimes be hidden and suggest checking connections, using vacuum tests, and considering regular maintenance on components like O-rings. They also recommend using a refrigerant leak detector for more precise identification.

Response from CozyRAG:

To locate the small leak in your second fuel tank, you can use a few different methods, since you've already tried spraying window cleaner without success. While window cleaner can help detect leaks right-side-up, it may not work effectively if the leak is on the bottom of the tank when the plane is upright. Here's a comprehensive approach you can take:

1. **Tilt and Fill Method:** As mentioned, fill the tank to various levels while tilting the airplane. This allows you to see if the leak becomes apparent when the fuel reaches certain levels, especially if it's towards the bottom. You can elevate the nose or tail of the plane gradually and monitor the water column. This specific method helps target where the leak might be located based on the level at which fuel exits the tank.
2. **Endoscope Inspection:** If you want to avoid turning the plane upside down, consider drilling a small access hole to insert an endoscope equipped with a light source. This will allow you to visually inspect the interior areas of the tank for signs of leakage without needing extensive disassembly.
3. **Acoustic Leak Detection:** The mechanics stethoscope could be beneficial. You can listen for sounds that might indicate escaping fuel, specifically in areas where potential leaks are likely, like joints or seams.

4. **Vacuum Testing:** You can also try to apply a vacuum to the tank. Start with a small vacuum and progressively increase it if no leaks are observed. Listen for hissing sounds that might indicate a leak.
5. **Accessing Difficult Areas:** If the leak is suspected in a hard-to-reach area (like corners or seams on the bottom), you may eventually need to turn the plane upside down, or access those sections from below if possible. Monitor the leaks by filling the tank and observing any flow during these tests.
6. **Corrosion Consideration:** If a prolonged inspection period is expected, be cautious about leaving water inside the tank, as it could culminate in corrosion of the metal components.

Locating a leak can indeed be a meticulous process, and using multiple methods might yield the best results. Each situation is unique, so trial and error with these techniques may lead you to the source of the leak.

Here is the prompt used to generate the summaries of the Group Responses:

Given this question and response, summarize the response:

Question:

Response:

Rough Summary:

	Group Answers	RAG answers in Group Answers	Other RAG answers	Incorrect RAG Answers		Coverage Rate	Additional Answers	Incorrect Answers
# Engine does not give full power on take off roll	2	1	6			50%	350%	
Diagnosing intermittent radio failure	5	4	3			80%	140%	
Electrical Q Avionic Dimme	1	1	2			100%	300%	
New cylinder Break In	2	1	4			50%	250%	

Ignition leads/auto plugs/mags	1	1	0			100%	100%	
Brake Bubble	2	2	0			100%	100%	
Landing Lights	6	1	0			17%	17%	
Wheel Pants	3	2	2			67%	133%	
Static Piping Lead	2	0	0	1		0%	0%	
Fuel Tank Leak	3	1	1	1		33%	67%	
			Average of sample			60%	146%	20%