

No one realizes how long it has been since my last update, more than me. Just about the time you think everything is going well, something happens which slows down the entire process. A good example of what I am talking about took place about three weeks ago. Without going into a lot of detail, there was a question, or maybe a better word "concern" about the timing gears, which I had to address. This necessitated me removing the entire front of each engine. I am talking oil pumps, belts, pans, timing cover, pulleys, pulley drive hubs, distributor, etc. I knew this was not going to be an easy process but nevertheless it was something that I felt should be check. It was easier to verify in my shop, rather than having a potential problem, down the road. Once everything had been removed, each engine was thoroughly examined and found to be in perfect running condition with no problem areas. This was a great relief! Then, came the time consuming part of putting everything back together! It took over three weeks for this process. The net result can be seen in the first four pictures. If you look closely, you will also notice that all the carbs, linkage, fuel lines, and fuel pumps have also been installed. The air cleaner tops were just set in place for the photos. The only items that remain are to install the distributor caps, spark plugs and clutch. The transmission assemblies with then be put into place, which allows for each engine to be test run. Maybe now you can see why I was unable to do an update. There was just not enough time to explain everything. During all this I will still making other parts. The oil tank fittings are finished and can be seen in picture #5. This goes into the bottom of each oil tank and allows a quick-disconnect with a 1/8 pipe thread to be installed. All the pulleys are finished for the next run of superchargers. A little more than needed, but this assures that I will always have parts in stock. The starter gears have been machined and are ready for the one-way clutch bearing to be installed.

If I do not do an update in the near future, do not be too concerned. Most of my time will be spent testing and hopefully shipping engines. Realistically, very few pictures will probably be taken of the finished engines.







Pic #5 (Oil tank quick-disconnect adaptors)



Pic #6 (Supercharger pulleys)



Pic #7 (Finished starter gears)

