IMMEDIATE ACTION



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SUBJECT:

Replacement of Kem Gasoline Filter Gasket

TO:

All Owners of Piper J3C-65 Airplanes

Serial No. 14027 to 18574 Inclusive.

PA-12 Airplanes

Serial No. 12-1 to 12-205 Inclusive

Several cases of failure of the glass fuel strainer bowl in the subject model airplanes have recently been called to our attention. The following instruction will serve to eliminate this condition.

An excessive tightening of the bowl seat nut is required to properly form a gas-tight seal with the original gasket installed. This excessive tightening causes undesirable strain on the bowl which is further aggravated by vibration. By using a new gasket with more cushioning properties, breakage will be eliminated.

It is necessary that gaskets in the airplanes listed above be replaced by a new gasket, Piper Part No. 85012-32. New gaskets may be obtained through your local dealer or distributor or through the Service Department of Piper Aircraft Corporation at no charge.

NOTICE

WITH THE INSTALLATION OF THE NEW GASKET, NO. 85012-32, THE BOWL SEAT NUT NEED BE TIGHTENED NO MORE THAN FINGER TIGHT. DO NOT USE ANY TOOL TO TIGHTEN THIS NUT.

The installation of the new gasket should be covered by an appropriate entry in the aircraft log book.

If you have sold your airplane, please forward this bulletin to the present owner.

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