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## Vocational students compete in bike build contest at High Octane

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For years, Joe Roy has led teams from small car shops in a popular annual competition over who can build the best motorcycle from disassembled parts.

These NH Bike Build Offs took place during the annual Laconia Motorcycle Week, but over the years, the shops have gotten too busy to take part.

So this year, Roy, the owner of Vintage Custom Cycles in Penacook, worked with Gov. Kelly Ayotte's Office and the Department of Education to create a new tradition — vocational students, building bikes.

The first vocational Build Off takes place at High Octane Saloon in Laconia. It started June 13, and runs through the

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ABOVE: From left, Corey Dionne, Gavin Ryan, and Ethan Buja, from Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School, in Haverhill, Massachusetts, stand behind their bike-build student project, a 1996 Road King cycle, on Wednesday at High Octane Saloon in Weirs Beach. INSET: The 1976 Honda 554 being rebuilt by students from the Wilbur H. Palmer Career and Technical Education Center, in Hudson. (Delaney Nickerson/The Laconia Daily Sun photos)

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