new arms
Posted by Rlb - 02 Aug 2012 10:24

Just looking for an update one the new arms. I did a search and I couldn't find anything recent. Are the available? ETA?

Thanks!!

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Re: new arms
Posted by wickededge - 28 Aug 2012 09:13

Yes - a while back we reduced the thickness of the arms to allow for the variation in the handles. The new rods are thicker to answer the feedback we'd been getting about too much play. I like the thicker arms and just reaming the whole a little as a solution because it eliminates most of the play.

Billabong wrote:

wickededge wrote:

It's an issue we hear almost nothing about these days though it used to crop up a few years ago.

Thanks for the detail Clay, I'm sure it's not a big deal.

Perhaps it has only reared it's head again with the increased diameter of the new, thicker rods supplied with the new arms?

Or maybe just with older stones/paddles?

Either way, I can't wait to get hold of these new arms.

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Re: new arms
Posted by Billabong - 28 Aug 2012 09:31

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wickededge wrote:

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Posted by wickededge - 28 Aug 2012 09:59

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I get 6.31mm on my Mitutoyos

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Re: new arms
Posted by PhilipPasteur - 28 Aug 2012 10:28

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Please correct that if I am off Clay.

Phil

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Re: new arms

Posted by wickededge - 28 Aug 2012 11:48

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Sounds about right. How about fitting the boot on between the nut and the rod end joint?

PhilipPasteur wrote:

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Re: new arms

Posted by PhilipPasteur - 28 Aug 2012 12:19

This is what I was looking at

So yes, that is ..I think.. what I was trying to say. The top of the collar of the boot would be below the nut and the body of the boot would stretch to cover the entire joint and have another collar (nipple ??) at 90 degrees to seal the exit for the horizontal part of the joint.

The only problem I see is getting the thing stretched over the whole joint... and maybe how much friction it would cause in the movement of the joint.

Phil

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Re: new arms
Posted by Billabong - 28 Aug 2012 12:55

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That's the ultimate option.

i1169.photobucket.com/albums/r520/mandrake50/boot.jpg

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Re: new arms
Posted by DustinKampel1 - 28 Aug 2012 13:03

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Re: new arms
Posted by KenBuzbee - 28 Aug 2012 13:05

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They are back ordered a couple weeks.

Ken

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Re: new arms
Posted by wickededge - 28 Aug 2012 14:30

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Dustin,

Thanks for mentioning it. I'm forwarding to Kyle and he'll get right back to you.

DustinKampel1 wrote:

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