

# Trivia

*did you know that ...*

The name "leopard" comes from the Greek words for lion (leo) and panther (pardos).

*Emus and kangaroos cannot walk backwards, and are on the Australian coat of arms for that reason.*

The Hubble telescope is so powerful that it is like pointing a beam of light at a dime that is two hundred miles away.

*Flying squirrels have "break-away" tails for self-defense. Should a predator attack and grab a flyer's tail, escape is possible, if only at the cost of part of its tail, not its life.*

Cerberus was the 3-headed dog that guarded the entrance to the underworld in Greek mythology.

*The word "maverick" came into use after Samuel Maverick, a Texan, refused to brand his cattle. Eventually any unbranded calf became known as a Maverick.*

The word Karate means, "empty hand."

*Sälen in Sweden opened the first ski-through McDonald's in the world.*

The first product that Sony came out with was the rice cooker.

*The width of a tornado can range from less than ten yards to more than a mile.*

It takes the Hubble telescope about 97 minutes to complete an orbit of the Earth. On average, the Hubble uses the equivalent amount of energy as 30 household lightbulbs to complete an orbit.

*When playing competitive darts the player must be 7 feet 9 1/4 inches back from the dartboard. Also the board must be 5 feet 8 inches above the floor.*

The sport Lacrosse was initially played by Native American Indians. They played the sport to prepare for war.

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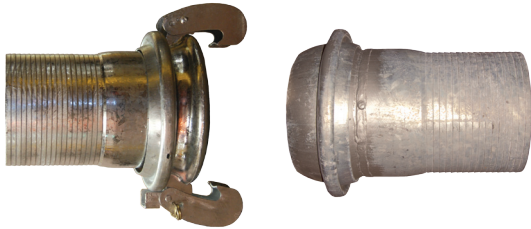
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# Product Spotlight

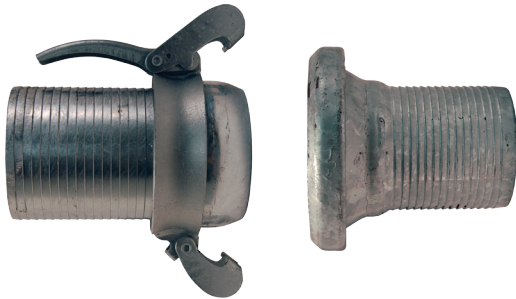
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Dixon's Heavy Duty Quick Connect fittings are intended primarily for irrigation and suction line applications. They feature a Dixon STB style hose shank machined from schedule 40 pipe.



*Agri-Lock style  
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# Dates in History

**1811** On January 2, Senator Timothy Pickering, a Federalist from Massachusetts, became the first senator to be censured when the Senate approved a censure motion against him by a vote of 20 to 7. Pickering was accused of violating congressional law by publicly revealing secret documents communicated by the president to the Senate.

**1957** On January 23, machines at the Wham-O toy company rolled out the first batch of their aerodynamic plastic discs--now known to millions of fans all over the world as Frisbees.

**1972** On January 24, after 28 years of hiding in the jungles of Guam, local farmers discovered Shoichi Yokoi, a Japanese sergeant who was unaware that World War II had ended. After he was discovered, he was finally discharged and sent home to Japan, where he was hailed as a national hero. He subsequently married and returned to Guam for his honeymoon.

**1908** On January 11, U.S. President Theodore Roosevelt declared the massive Grand Canyon in northwestern Arizona a national monument.

**1901** On January 10, a drilling derrick at Spindletop Hill near Beaumont, Texas, produced an enormous gusher of crude oil, coating the landscape for hundreds of feet and signaling the advent of the American oil industry. The geyser was discovered at a depth of over 1,000 feet, flowed at an initial rate of approximately 100,000 barrels a day and took nine days to cap. Following the discovery, petroleum, which until that time had been used in the U.S. primarily as a lubricant and in kerosene for lamps, would become the main fuel source for new inventions such as cars and airplanes; coal-powered forms of transportation including ships and trains would also convert to the liquid fuel.

# On the Lighter Side

There was this duck that walked into a bar and sat down on a stool and the bartender said, "Can I help you?" The duck said, "quack, quack, quack, got any raisins?" The bartender said, "NO! This is a bar and we don't sell raisins."

The duck walked out and then he came in the next day and sat on the very same stool!

The bartender walked over and asked him if he could help him? The duck said, "quack, quack, quack, got any raisins?"

The bartender said, "NO this is a BAR we don't sell raisins!" So the duck walked out again.

He came back the next day and sat on the same stool once again! The duck yelled at the bartender, "quack, quack, quack, got any raisins?"

The bartender said, "NO. And if you come back here once more I am gonna nail your webbed feet to the ground and you are gonna stay there." The duck said, "ok", and left.

The next day came and sure enough the duck came back except he only peeped his head inside the door. He said, "quack, quack, got any nails?" The bartender replied, "No!"

The duck said "Good, then you got any raisins?"

A man goes skydiving for the first time. After listening to the instructor for what seems like days, he is ready to go. Excited, he jumps out of the airplane. After a bit, he pulls the ripcord. Nothing happens. He tries again. Still nothing. He starts to panic, but remembers his back-up chute. He pulls that cord. Nothing happens...

He frantically begins pulling both cords, but to no avail. Suddenly, he looks down and he can't believe his eyes. Another man is in the air with him, but this guy is going \*UP\*!!

Just as the other guy passes by, the skydiver -- by this time scared out of his wits -- yells, "Hey, do you know anything about skydiving?"

The other guy yells back, "No! Do you know anything about gas stoves?"