

# Trivia

*did you know that ...*

The dates 4/4, 6/6, 8/8, 10/10, and 12/12 all fall on the same day of the week during any one year.

*There are no clocks in Las Vegas casinos.*

*The "S" in Harry S. Truman doesn't stand for anything. His middle name was just S.*

Everyone has a unique tongue print, just like fingerprints.

*During World War II, the crew of the British submarine HMS Trident kept a fully grown reindeer called Pollyanna aboard their vessel for six weeks (it was a gift from the Russians).*

All of the gold mined in the history of the world would more or less fit into a 20x20x20 meter cube. A total of 165,000 tons of gold have been mined in human history. This is roughly equivalent to 5.3 billion troy ounces or, in terms of volume, about 8,500 cubic meters, or a 20.4m cube.

*Male penguins will give their mate a pebble as a way of proposing.*

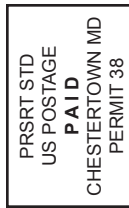
Black printer ink costs roughly 1,400 times as much as crude oil, gallon for gallon.

*France, including the French Islands, is the country with the most time zones in the world.*

There were still people making their way across the United States via the Oregon Trail during The Great Migration in 1843 which was also the same year the fax machine was invented.

*There's enough water in Lake Superior to cover all of North and South America in 1 foot of water.*

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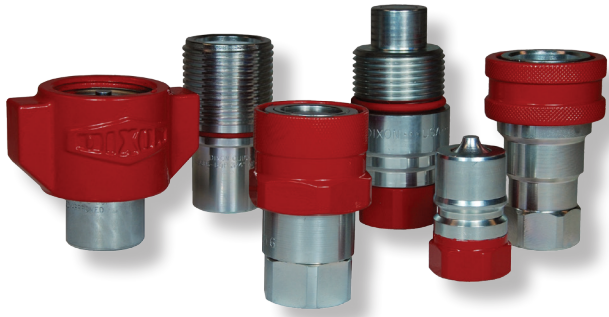
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# Product Spotlight

## Blowout Preventer Couplings (BOP Series)



### Application:

- designed specifically for use on the hydraulic hoses connecting blow-out preventor accumulator control systems to the drill rig BOP stacks

### Sizes:

- VEP-BOP Series:  $\frac{3}{8}$ " -  $1\frac{1}{2}$ "
- H-BOP Series:  $\frac{3}{8}$ " - 1"
- WS-BOP Series:  $\frac{3}{4}$ " - 2"

### Materials:

- VEP-BOP Series: steel
- H-BOP Series: steel and 316 stainless steel
- WS-BOP Series: steel and 316 stainless steel

### Features:

- fire tested and Lloyd's certified to 700°C (1300°F) in accordance with API 16D, certificate available upon request
- certified at a test pressure of 5,000 PSI
- red powder coated components and external seals provide easy BOP approved identification
- critical seals are FKM

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# Dates in History

**1776** On January 2nd, the Continental Congress published the "Tory Act" resolution which described how colonies should handle those Americans who remained loyal to the British and King George. The act called on colonial committees to indoctrinate those "honest and well-meaning, but uninformed people" by enlightening them to the "origin, nature and extent of the present controversy."

**1803** On January 18th, President Thomas Jefferson sent a special confidential message to Congress asking for money to fund the journey of Lewis and Clark. In the summer of 1802, Jefferson began actively preparing for the mission recruiting his secretary, Meriwether Lewis, to be its leader. Throughout 1802 Jefferson and Lewis discussed the proposed mission, telling no-one, not even Congress, which would have to approve the funds what they were contemplating

**1908** On January 24th, the Boy Scouts Movement began in England with the first installment of Robert Baden-Powell's *Scouting for Boys*.

**1946** On January 10th, the first General Assembly of the United Nations, comprising of 51 nations, convened at Westminster Central Hall in London, England. One week later, the U.N. Security Council met for the first time and established its rules of procedure. Then on January 24th, the General Assembly adopted its first resolution, a measure calling for the peaceful uses of atomic energy and the elimination of atomic and other weapons of mass destruction.

# On the Lighter Side

A school teacher injured his back and had to wear a plaster cast around the upper part of his body. It fit under his shirt and was not noticeable at all. On the first day of the term, still with the cast under his shirt, he found himself assigned to the toughest students in school.

Walking confidently into the rowdy classroom, he opened the window as wide as possible and then busied himself with desk work. The classroom became a bit unruly and he reprimanded them. This happened several times. When he would do work at his desk, the strong breeze from the window made his tie flap annoyingly. He kept rearranging the tie as the class raised its level of unruliness.

Finally, becoming disgusted with the wayward tie, he stood up and took a big stapler off his desk and stapled the tie to his chest in several places. Discipline was not a problem from that day forth.

*An art connoisseur passed a little grocery in New York when he noticed a kitten on the front step lapping up some milk in a bowl. The cat was mangy with one ear half chewed off and clumps of fur missing. What really caught the collector's eye was the bowl the kitten was drinking from. It was a rare antique worth thousands. He walks in the store and offers \$20.00 for the cat. "He's not for sale," says the store owner. "That's ridiculous!" Says the collector. "He is one of the ugliest cats I've seen. He must be for sale. I'll give you \$100.00 for him." The store owner thought for a second and said "It's a deal." The connoisseur hands the store owner the money, which he quickly pockets, and as he starts out the store asks, "For that price I'm sure you won't mind sending that old bowl with him. He seems so happy drinking from it." The store owner says, "No way. That's my lucky bowl. From that bowl I've sold 26 cats this week!"*