

# Trivia

Australia's Ayers Rock is the largest rock in the world. It rises out of the middle of the country with a diameter of 5.5 miles around its base and a height of 1,000 feet.

*The shortest human we have documented evidence on was Pauline Musters of the Netherlands. She measured 12 inches at her birth in 1876, and was 23 inches tall with a weight of 9 pounds at her death in 1885.*

It may take longer than two days for a chick to break out of its shell.

*The average American will eat 35,000 cookies during their life span.*

The amount of lava produced when Iceland's Laki volcano erupted in 1783, was enough to bury a four story building.

*The Eternal God is a redwood tree in California that is believed to be 12,000 years old. That makes the tree four times older than the great pyramids in Egypt. Located in the Prairie Creed Redwoods State Park, the Eternal is 238 feet tall and 19.6 feet in diameter.*

A bee has five eyes, two large compound eyes on either side of its head, and three ocelli (primitive eyes) on top of its head to detect light intensity.

*When out hiking or camping, you can determine how much daylight is left by holding your fist up to the western horizon. Stack your fists on top of one another up to the Sun's level in the sky. Each fist represents about an hour of remaining daylight.*

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# Product Spotlight



## Flomax Connectors

Dixon offers the Flomax Connector series used in fast fueling and fluid management systems found on mining and construction equipment.



The diesel fuel components consist of a 2" aluminum nozzle and a 1½" steel or aluminum receiver permanently attached to the fuel tank on the equipment. The system delivers 180 gallons per minute. These units are available with dust plugs for the nozzle and dust caps for the receiver.



Color coded nozzles and receivers are available for engine oil (red), coolant fluid (teal), hydraulic oil (gold) and transmission oil (violet). Available in Standard, R Series and High Flow for various flow and thread configurations. All Flomax connectors consist of stainless steel wear components and anodized aircraft grade aluminum non-wear components. Each color connector will only couple with their matching color component. These series are interchangeable with both Caterpillar® and Wiggins.



# Dates in History

**1799** On July 17<sup>th</sup>, the Rosetta Stone, (a stone, which dates back to 196 B.C., with writing in two languages, Egyptian and Greek, honoring the Egyptian pharaoh), was found by a French Soldier during Napoleon's Egyptian campaign.

**1832** On July 18<sup>th</sup>, the first recorded railroad accident in U.S. history occurred.

**1913** On July 17<sup>th</sup>, the first filmed pie-in-the-face was shown to audiences in the silent film *A Noise from the Deep*.

**1937** On July 2<sup>nd</sup>, Amelia Earhart was reported missing.

**1941** On July 1<sup>st</sup>, NBC broadcasted the first official TV commercial.

**1953** On July 22<sup>nd</sup>, the United States, the People's Republic of China, North Korea, and South Korea agreed to an armistice, bringing the Korean War to an end.

**1964** On July 31<sup>st</sup>, *Ranger 7*, an unmanned U.S. lunar probe, took the first close-up images of the moon.

**1996** On July 5<sup>th</sup>, Dolly the sheep, the first successfully cloned mammal, was born.

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# On the Lighter Side

- If you really want the last word in an argument, say "You're absolutely right."
- *Grandfather had just invested in one of those almost-invisible hearing aids. He paid a return visit to the salesman to express his satisfaction. "I imagine your family likes it too," said the salesman. "Oh, they don't know I've got it," chortled grandpa. "And am I having fun! In the past two days I've changed my will twice!"*
- "What is your name, sir?" the bank teller asked politely. "Don't you see my signature?" snapped the indignant patron. "Yes, sir. That's what aroused my curiosity."
- *Woman vacationist to friend. "It took a trip to Scotland, but believe it or not, my husband has finally stopped chasing the first thing to come along in a skirt."*
- Hospital patient upon receiving his bill for an operation: "No wonder they wore masks in the operating room."
- *Proud mother: "He's only two and he's been walking like that for almost a year." Bored visitor: "Amazing. Can't you make him sit down?"*