# Trivia

#### did you know that ...

- Aristocracy: A society or group of people ruled by the upper class.
- Democracy: A form of government in which the people hold power. People can either exercise the power or elect officials to do so.
- Gerontocracy: A society or group of people in which older people are the most powerful.
- Matriarchy: A society or group of people in which women are the most powerful.
- Oligarchy: A society or group of people in which only a few people hold power.
- Patriarchy: A society or group of people in which men are the most powerful.

No country in the Southern Hemisphere has ever hosted a Winter Games.

It took 34 years to create the 50-mile-long canal across the Isthmus of Panama. The amount of digging required and the size of its locks helped make it the most expensive project in American history at that time and the most deadly: about 80,000 people died during construction (most from disease). An expansion project, set to be completed early 2015, will double the capacity of the canal by creating a new lane of traffic and allowing more and larger ships to transit

Cricket started in England, but now is popular in many of its former colonies, especially in the West Indies and India. Like baseball, a batsman must hit a ball tossed by a pitcher (called a bowler)—except the ball must be hit on a bounce. There are usually four innings in a game. An inning ends when 10 batsmen make an out; then the fielding team gets to bat. Hundreds of runs are often scored, and games can take days to complete.

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## Product Spotlight

#### Air King

#### **Applications:**

• designed for use in air and water service

#### Specification:

• meets pressure requirements as specified in A-A-59553 commercial item description superseding Mil Spec. WWC-633D

#### Materials:

• malleable iron, brass, 316 stainless steel and investment cast steel

#### **Features:**

- universal head enables any two fittings (within that size range) to be directly connected regardless of hose shank or threaded size.
- domestic: ¼" to 1"
- global:  $\frac{1}{2}$ " to 1"

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### Product Safety A

Connections are made by pushing two heads together and turning one quarter turn in a clockwise direction. When this is done and the heads have seated properly, the small holes through the flange on the side of each coupling head will line up. An Air King Safety Clip should be inserted at this point to assure the Air King couplings will not become accidentally disconnected. If a Safety Clip is not available, insert a cotter pin or wire type retainer through the holes. The fitting is now ready to be put into service.

Disconnect by removing the safety clip, cotter pin or wire. Press the heads firmly together and turn them counterclockwise. The heads will then separate. NEVER attempt to disconnect any hose while pressure is in the line.

Although Air King couplings may interchange with other manufacturers' fittings, we do not recommend their use with other products. Not all locking heads are made to the same standards as Dixon Air King. Use with other brands of fittings may create an unsafe condition, due to poor design or worn equipment.

### Dates in History

- 1784 On August 23rd, four counties in western North Carolina declared their independence as the state of Franklin. The counties lay in what would eventually become Tennessee.
- **1989** On August 22nd, Nolan Ryan of the Texas Rangers became the first pitcher in major league history to register 5,000 career strikeouts. Ryan would go on to rack up a total of 5,714 strikeouts, over 1,500 more than his closest competition.

## On the Lighter Side

Little Tim was in the garden filling in a hole when his neighbor peered over the fence. Interested in what the cheeky-faced youngster was up to, he politely asked, "Whatcha doing, Tim?" "My goldfish died," replied the boy tearfully, without looking up. "And I've just buried him." The neighbor was concerned. "That's an awfully big hole for a goldfish, isn't it?" Tim patted down the last heap of earth then replied, "That's because he's inside your cat."

After the fire-truck arrived at a burning building in a small Spanish town, the firemen observed a man dressed in a matador's costume prancing around on the roof. Four of the firemen held a safety-net and urged him to escape from the burning building by jumping into the net. He refused and loudly proclaimed, "I'm Fearless José the bullfighter who fears nothing, not even fire." The firemen begged and pleaded but to no avail. José kept prancing around while repeating the same phrase over and over until the firemen got really sick and tired of hearing it. Finally, when the flames began to scorch his feet, José announced he had changed his mind, was ready to jump and then leaped off the rooftop. As his body hurtled toward the safety-net, the four firemen shouted, "Ole!".

Judge: Is there any reason you could not serve as a juror in this case?

Juror: I don't want to be away from my job that long. Judge: Can't they do without you at work? Juror: Yes, but I don't want them to know it.