

Structural Power Cube

40 messages

Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com> To: Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

Hev Tom.

Hope all is well down your way. I saw a picture of a uPC running a log splitter. Awesome! I used the one that was built at the workshop to punch some 1" holes in 11ga steel the other day and it burned out. It had a good run, though!

Most of the interns here have left but there are a handful of us still here and we want to assemble the PowerCube kits you sent up. I was looking at the parts and although I didn't open any of the labeled bags (except engine module) it looks like everything is there. The only thing missing, as per the last workshop, are the muffler bolts and gaskets. We could maybe pick some up at the CarQuest in town but if they were supposed to come with the order then we should probably contact the vendor.

Best, Aidan

Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com> To: Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com> Fri, Aug 15, 2014 at 10:04 PM

Fri, Aug 15, 2014 at 7:38 PM

Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com>

Greetings, Aidan;

I think that using the larger pulley on the motor axle doesn't provide enough torque and we should do something different.

We built three of the uPCs, this time using only the rubber belt from the motor to a pulley on the pump shaft. We experienced some over-heating on one of the motors - similar to your experience. On another, I mounted a small fan blade on the shaft underneath the motor, so it would blow air up through the windings for cooling. This motor didn't overheat, though we did have some issues with the rubber belt heating up and slipping off the shaft.

The vacuum cleaner motors turn very fast (~ 30,000 RPM) and usually require lots of air flow for cooling. Although we were able to split logs using our setup, the belt and pulley are a problem.

I still want to solve this and come up with a working solution. I'm still looking for a better motor/pulley combination.

If you haven't seen it, the modules are illustrated in this page:

http://opensourceecology.org/wiki/Structural_Power_Cube#Kit_Cost_Breakdown

... that is, all but the part that holds the battery in place. It is in the Sketchup model, though.

The muffler bolts are missing? I asked the guy from SmallEngineSuppliers to ship 4 sets of gaskets & bolts. Probably best to pick up some bolts - there were some in the OSE workshop last time, but they were a bit too short.

Tom [Quoted text hidden]

Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com> To: Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

Morning!

I found em! I had checked the muffler box and one of the engine boxes but they were hiding at the bottom of the second engine box.

I did see the wiki page with the module documentation. Looks very straightforward.

Regarding the uPC, the only electrical motors I have experience with, really, are permanent magnet DC motors from treadmills. They often run at around 130V DC so rectifying wall current and filtering it through a capacitor would make them spin pretty well. I have one at home that I bought on ebay for 30-40 which is 130v and around 1500RPM at 2.5hp. That might be too slow but you could gear it up. They are heavier than the vacuum motors and a bit larger but it might work out.

This one is 120vDC at 6000rpm: link

-Aidan [Quoted text hidden]

Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com> To: Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>, Marcin Jakubowski <marcin@opensourceecology.org>

I have a question about the engine/pump mount piece. I was wondering if you had a suggestion as to how to go about cutting it for clearance fr the pump/engine. I was thinking I would bolt on the plates, mark the holes, take off the plates and torch it. What do you think? -Aidan

On 8/15/2014 10:04 PM, Tom wrote: [Quoted text hidden]

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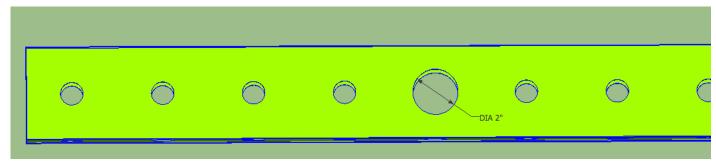
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Aidan;

My goal was to make minimal changes to the 4" x 4" tubing, as it should be reusable.

I made an omission - the 4" x 4" tube supporting the engine and pump should have the 1" hole on top and bottom enlarged to 2" for clearance for the shaft coupling - like so:

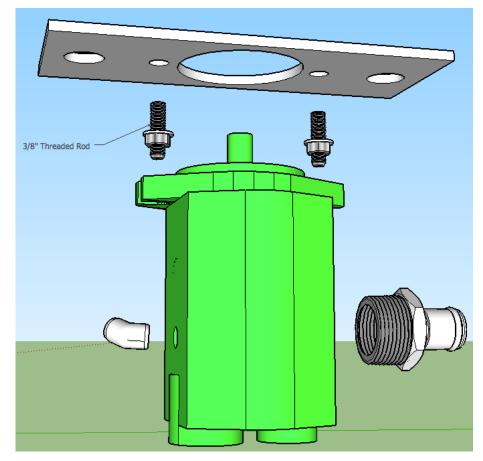
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If I were cutting it, I'd just mark the circles with something like a socket about 1 1/2" to 1 3/4" outer diameter (allow for standoff of the marker), then cut the circles with the torch. If the engine plate is already cut to 2 1/4" diameter. The 1" holes securing the pump and engine plates should line up with holes already in the tube and will be secured with short bolts about 1 1/2" long.

Also: note that on the inside of the 4" x 4" tubing is a seam where it was welded lengthwise to form the tube. This seam should be oriented on the side facing the hydraulic reservoir. The see inside the tube, and we will have them on the inside of three sides of the tube.

Please note that for the pump module, I have included "threaded rod" pieces about 2" long and 3/8" in diameter. These are to be welded in the pump plate and the top surface ground flat so these pieces must be aligned very well before welding:



Tom

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"Democracy is a suggestion box for slaves." - Stefan Molyneux

Marcin Jakubowski <marcin@opensourceecology.org> To: Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com> Cc: Tom Griffing <tom.griffing@gmail.com> Sat, Aug 16, 2014 at 6:27 PM

I would also do a larger hole on tube verticals, so if we want to replace the pump with a different one, we can access the set screw for the engine shaft key. I am thinking it's relevant to test out a 1.35 cu in pump instead of 1.0 cu in to get us 30% more brick pressing speed - from 6 to 8 blocks per minute. This can be done if we max the pump at 2400 psi instead of 3100 with the given engine.

I think we need to try a log splitter 2 stage pump in our Power Cube for the Brick Press - http://www.surpluscenter.com/Hydraulics/Hydraulic-Pumps/2-Stage-Log-Splitter-Pumps/22-GPM-DYNAMIC-2-STAGE-PUMP-9-7970.axd - so we would want to have interchangeable pumps.

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any thoughts on where the solenoid should mount? [Quoted text hidden]

Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com> To: Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com>

Aidan;

Good you asked.

I had placed it, but haven't drawn it yet, as it's difficult to draw.

I had in mind using a support bracket as on the other power cube I delivered - bent so two of the holes would align with the 4" holes in the structural steel. Here is the area I had in mind - beside the battery:

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I have only added the metal strip to show where I was thinking of placing it. The strip must be bent as before and bolted to the 4" tube, then the solenoid bolted to the metal strip. I'll try to draw it in more detail, but Sketchup doesn't have an image of a solenoid. Also, the tube is not aligned to the green axis and bending the metal strip is easier to do in person than in Sketchup.

I'll work on it, but please ask if you don't understand my description.

Regards,

Tom [Quoted text hidden]

Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com> To: Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

I understand. looks good. are there any of those strips in the kit? thanks Aidan [Quoted text hidden]

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For throttle lever connection is there supposed to be some flat welded at 90 to the back of the control panel for the lever to bolt to like the last ones we built?

On 8/18/2014 7:31 PM, Tom wrote: [Quoted text hidden]

Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

To: Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com>

Aidan;

Yes - each box with an oil cooler should have 4 of these metal straps. The bolts are 5/16" x 1" and need a large washer for seuring inside the tube. I had considered using another of the metal straps and welding nuts to the back side at 4" apart. this could simplify securing bolts / nuts. You can choose.

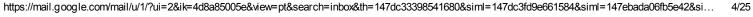
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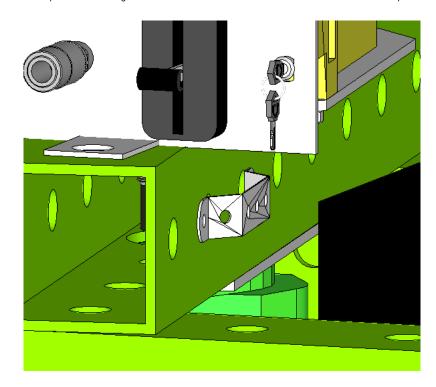
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The metal strip is bent something like this - and the solenoid mounted on the bracket - I'll have to draw up a solenoid:



Tom [Quoted text hidden]

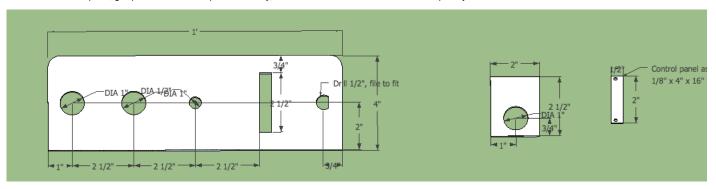
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Note that the dimensions for hole sizes and positions aren't shown - I will add them when I get to the shop and measure the holes in the throttle control. I believe they are 3/16" holes and an side welded to the control panel. Holes are roughly 1 1/2" - 1 3/4" apart. YMMV.

Tom [Quoted text hidden]

Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com> To: Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

Hey Tom, I actually noticed that right after I emailed but was called away to dinner. Thanks for the info. Best, Mon, Aug 18, 2014 at 8:34 PM

Aidan

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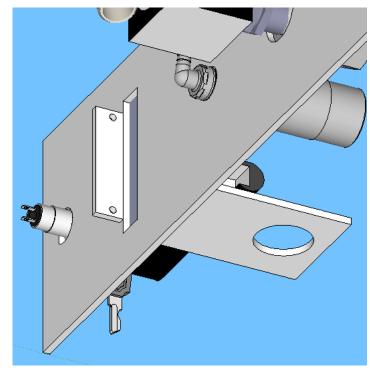
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Aidan;

I've added it to the drawing - even without exact dimensions. On the Power Cube I delivered, I think it was welded on the other side of the slot for the throttle control, but I wanted it on the opposite side for the future. Can you verify this is correct?:



Tom [Quoted text hidden]

Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com> To: Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

the power cubes we built here have it on the opposite side from the drawing I torched the control panel 5 mins ago. shot a video. will upload soon [Quoted text hidden]

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Tue, Aug 19, 2014 at 4:42 PM

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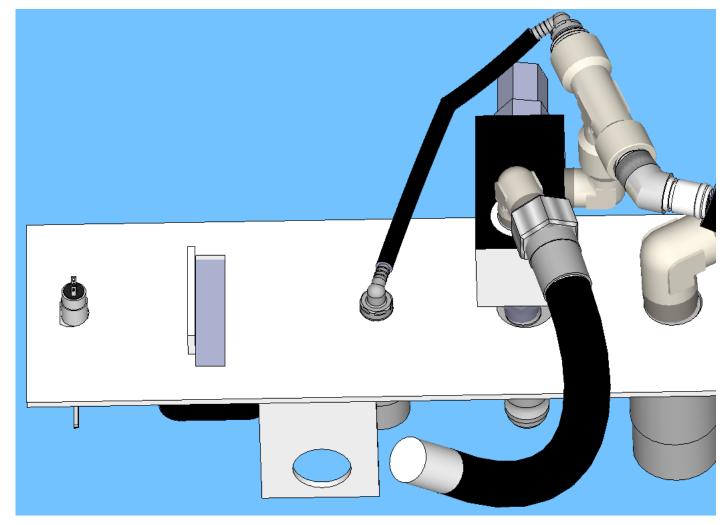
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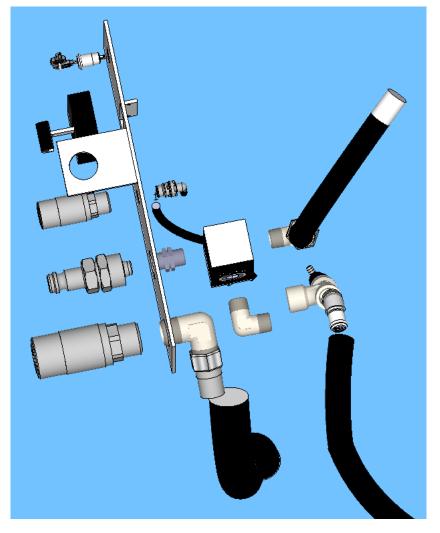
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2		Washer: 1"	Hardware Store	\$0.60	
1	1/8" x 4"	Flat Iron	Local Steel Supplier	\$1.23	
1	9-1556	1/2 NPT 16 GPM 1000-2500 PSI RELIEF VALVE	SurplusCenter.com	\$42.95	
1	9-5605-8-8-8	1/2 X 1/2 X 1/2 NPTF TEE	SurplusCenter.com	\$4.70	
1	9-5404-12-8	3/4 NPT x 1/2 NPT HEX NIPPLE	SurplusCenter.com	\$2.55	
1	9-5500-8-8	1/2 NPTM TO 1/2 NPTM 90 ELBOW	SurplusCenter.com	\$2.60	
1	28-1478	1/4" NPTM X 1/4" I.D. HOSE BARB STEEL ELBOW	SurplusCenter.com	\$0.49	
1	9-2501-10-12	JIC 10M x 3/4 NPTM 90 ELBOW	SurplusCenter.com	\$5.39	
1	928-C	3/4" QUICK COUPLER S40-6 F/F	SurplusCenter.com	\$25.95	
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And an extra part:

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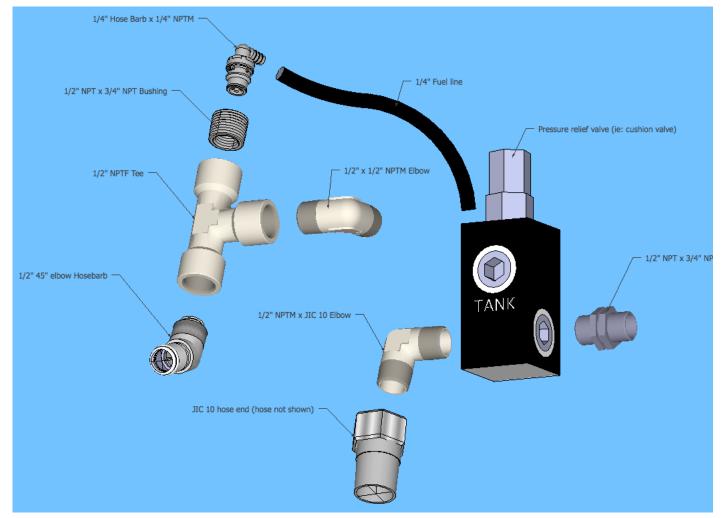
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The elbow in the picture on the left is actually 3/4 nptm which does not fit into the cushion valve. Yes, the $1/2^{"}$ hose is female.

I just found out that the 2" clearance hole for the coupler should not be concentric with the existing gridbeam hole. I think the best way to make it work is to put the engine mount plate on the gridbeam and align the bolt holes then mark the 2" hole to torch.

The rest of the PC is coming together well.

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Aidan;

Another good catch on the elbow. I've added it to the list.

About the 2" holes . . . why shouldn't they be concentric? Oh . . . looking at the drawing, I think I see the issue. The holes for the engine shaft and 4 engine bolts are correct - the issue is the second second

The engine plates will have to be re-cut from 1/4" x 8" steel, as follows:

Can you do this?

Tom

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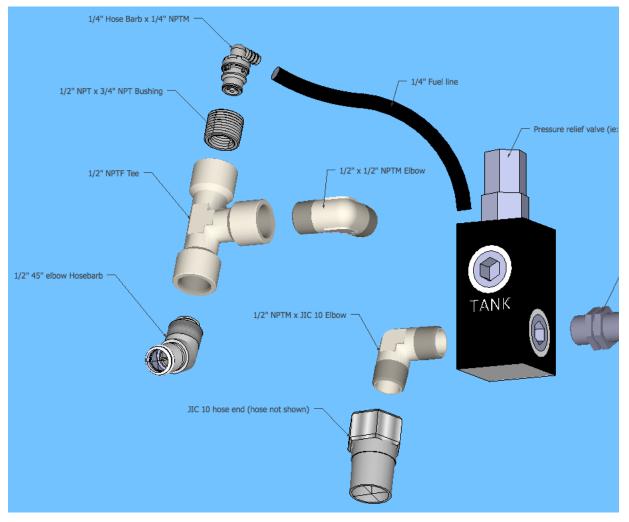
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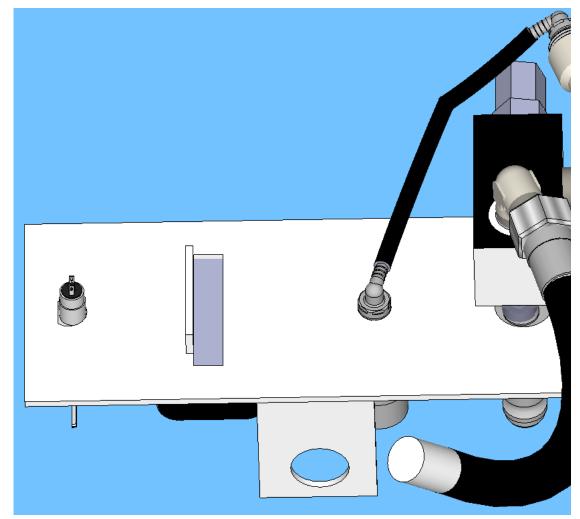
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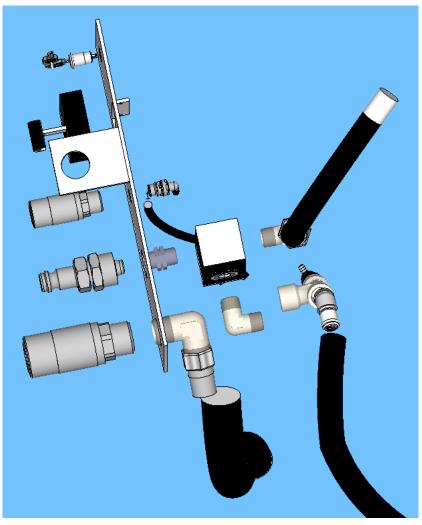
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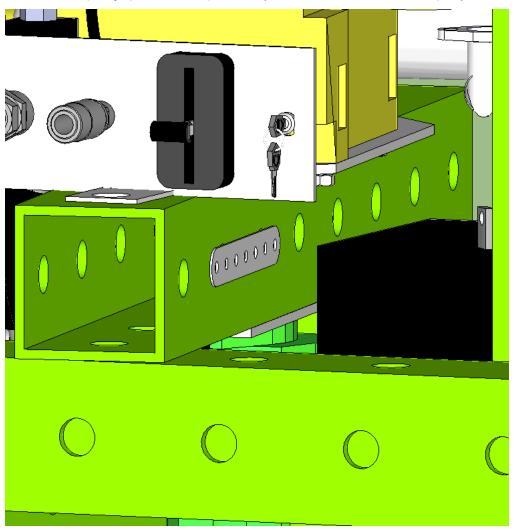
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Note that the dimensions for hole sizes and positions aren't shown - I will add them when I get to the shop and measure the holes in the tr apart. YMMV.

Tom

On 8/18/14, 7:42 PM, Aidan Williamson wrote:

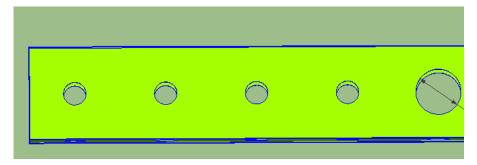
For throttle lever connection is there supposed to be some flat welded at 90 to the back of the control panel for the lever to bolt to lik

On 8/18/2014 7:31 PM, Tom wrote:

Aidan;

Good you asked. I had placed it, but haven't drawn it yet, as it's difficult to draw.

I had in mind using a support bracket as on the other power cube I delivered - bent so two of the holes would align with the 4 Here is the area I had in mind - beside the battery:



I have only added the metal strip to show where I was thinking of placing it. The strip must be bent as before and bolted to tl a solenoid. Also, the tube is not aligned to the green axis and bending the metal strip is easier to do in person than in Sket

I'll work on it, but please ask if you don't understand my description.

Regards,

Tom

On 8/18/14, 6:30 PM, Aidan Williamson wrote:

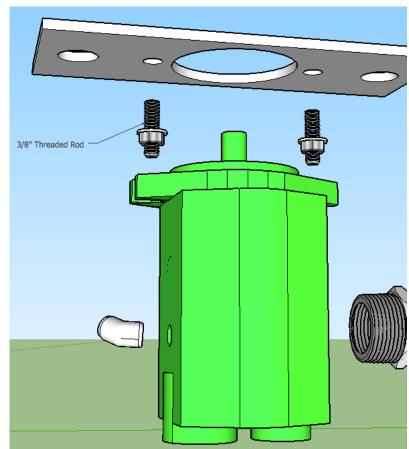
any thoughts on where the solenoid should mount?

On 8/16/2014 5:51 PM, Tom wrote:

Aidan;

My goal was to make minimal changes to the 4" x 4" tubing, as it should be reusable.

I made an omission - the 4" x 4" tube supporting the engine and pump should have the 1" hole on top and botto



If I were cutting it, I'd just mark the circles with something like a socket about 1 1/2" to 1 3/4" outer diameter (a be cut to match. The pump plate is already cut to 2 1/4" diameter. The 1" holes securing the pump and engin The pump plate

Also: note that on the inside of the 4" x 4" tubing is a seam where it was welded lengthwise to form the tube. nuts or washers from lying flat inside the tube, and we will have them on the inside of three sides of the tube.

Please note that for the pump module, I have included "threaded rod" pieces about 2" long and 3/8" in diamete support tube. Note that these pieces must be aligned very well before welding:

Tom

On 8/16/14, 4:54 PM, Aidan Williamson wrote:

I have a question about the engine/pump mount piece. I was wondering if you had a suggestion as to he the holes, take off the plates and torch it. What do you think? -Aidan

On 8/15/2014 10:04 PM, Tom wrote:

Greetings, Aidan;

I think that using the larger pulley on the motor axle doesn't provide enough torque and we should

We built three of the uPCs, this time using only the rubber belt from the motor to a pulley on the experience. On another, I mounted a small fan blade on the shaft underneath the motor, so it we some issues with the rubber belt heating up and slipping off the shaft.

The vacuum cleaner motors turn very fast (~ 30,000 RPM) and usually require lots of air flow for c

I still want to solve this and come up with a working solution. I'm still looking for a better motor/p

If you haven't seen it, the modules are illustrated in this page:

http://opensourceecology.org/wiki/Structural_Power_Cube#Kit_Cost_Breakdown

... that is, all but the part that holds the battery in place. It is in the Sketchup model, though.

The muffler bolts are missing? I asked the guy from SmallEngineSuppliers to ship 4 sets of gasł time, but they were a bit too short.

Tom

On 8/15/14, 7:38 PM, Aidan Williamson wrote:

Hey Tom,

Hope all is well down your way. I saw a picture of a uPC running a log splitter. Awesome! other day and it burned out. It had a good run, though!

Most of the interns here have left but there are a handful of us still here and we want to as open any of the labeled bags (except engine module) it looks like everything is there. The maybe pick some up at the CarQuest in town but if they were supposed to come with the

Best, Aidan

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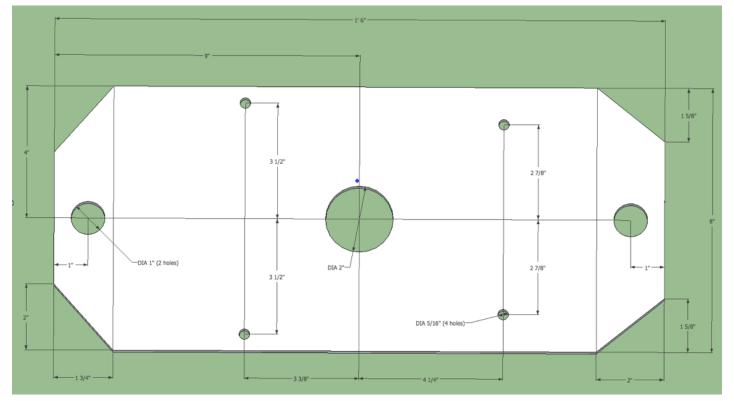
To: Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com>

Aidan;

I composed a message saying as much, but after hitting "Send", it failed to send and I didn't see it.

Here is the latest on the engine plate:

Wed, Aug 20, 2014 at 8:15 PM



Thanks for taking care of this.

Tom [Quoted text hidden]

Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com> To: Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

No problem. This assembly is taking longer than expected - as expected. Most everything else seems good. What is the red tube in the hydraulic reservoir bag for? -Aidan [Quoted text hidden]

Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

To: Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com>

Aidan;

So, is everything else there for assembly? If so, I can go ahead and order the missing parts.

"Red tube"? I don't remember a red tube. Can you describe it better? Plastic or steel? How big? Photo?

Tom

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Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com>

To: Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

Looks like a fuel line or an oil line. Camera is down right now, sorry. It's in the hydraulic reservoir parts. probably 1/4" hose about 6-12" in length

Everything else appears to be here.

-Aidan [Quoted text hidden]

Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

To: Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com>

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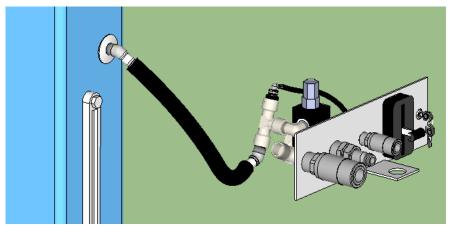
Oh . . . that's the 1/2" rubber hose that will connect between the hosebarb on the control panel to the Hydraulic reservoir:

Wed, Aug 20, 2014 at 10:35 PM

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I colored it black, but the one they had in the store was red. There should be medium size hose clamps for this as well. There should be enough of it for the two power cubes.

Tom

On 8/21/14, 4:02 PM, Aidan Williamson wrote:

Looks like a fuel line or an oil line. Camera is down right now, sorry. It's in the hydraulic reservoir parts. probably 1/4" hose about 6-12" in length

Everything else appears to be here.

-Aidan On 8/21/2014 12:27 PM, Tom wrote:

Aidan;

So, is everything else there for assembly? If so, I can go ahead and order the missing parts.

"Red tube"? I don't remember a red tube. Can you describe it better? Plastic or steel? How big? Photo?

Tom

Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com> To: Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

ah, gotcha thanks [Quoted text hidden]

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Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com> To: Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com>

Aidan;

Before issuing the order for the extra parts, can you verify nothing else is missing?

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To: Aidan W Aidan;		villiamson@gmail.com> lus Center Order # I0341819			
They say	7 - 10 business days	s (but I've found it's usually quicker).			

Regards,

Tom

On 8/22/14, 9:48 AM, Aidan Williamson wrote:

looks good!

On 8/22/2014 9:44 AM, Tom wrote:

Aidan;

Before issuing the order for the extra parts, can you verify nothing else is missing?

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Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com> To: Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

Tom

Thanks Tom.

I will be leaving FeF on Monday so I probably won't get to finish this power cube. The current status is:

• Marcin asked us to remake the engine plate from 1/2" steel.

• We are remaking the pump plates to have the same bolt spacing (8" from center) as the engine plates so that we can use the same 1" bolts.

Radiator and tank assemblies are complete. Overall about 50% complete.

In case you want to see a 2 min video of the control panel being torched: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZeuBIPsT2Js

-Aidan

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Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

To: Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com>

Aidan;

Pretty good video - he wasn't even wearing gloves! Audio could be replaced by a "jingle", as it couldn't be understood.

Sorry to hear that you won't be able to finish the Power Cube - thanks for all the help so far.

1/2" steel for the engine plate? That's pretty strong. Remaking the pump plate - makes sense. Will it be 1/2" steel as well?

Tom

[Quoted text hidden]

Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com>

To: Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

Haha that was me not wearing gloves ...

The pump plate will be 1/4". We had already cut some 1/4" steel for the engine plate when marcin requested half so we will reuse it for the pump plates. I have sketchup files of the new plates... do you want me to send them to you so you can incorporate them into your model? [Quoted text hidden]

Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

To: Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com>

Yep . . . eye protection from time to time as well.

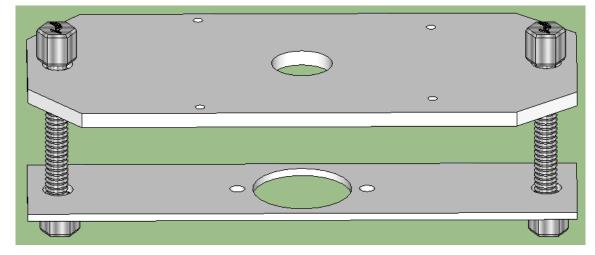
I just updated the Sketchup drawing. I hope they look like this?

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Tom

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Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com> To: Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

yes except the pump plate as the same profile as the engine plate. I was thinking about cutting it down but my accomplice - Mathias- thinks it's better to leave it 8" wide. What do you think? I'm thinking it would be difficult to access the set screw on the coupler if you want to switch out pumps to a different pump type. [Quoted text hidden]

Tom <tom.griffing@gmail.com>

To: Aidan Williamson <aidan.d.williamson@gmail.com>

Oh . . . you mean use 1/4" x 8" steel for the pump plate? I'd think 1/4" x 6" steel would be plenty strong - But that's just me.

The weak point is the thin parts near the large hole. When it was shorter, the 1/4" x 4" steel would have been strong enough - but we just extended it by 8", so it's more of an issue.

To be sure, you'd have to get a mechanical engineer to do an analysis on it.

Let me know what you decide.

Tom [Quoted text hidden]

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