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The Drunk Dutchman

Dec 28th, 2010, 8:13pm

With some insperation from Scott Sanders I built a hanger for my electro tank to clean COs, DOs, and other deep

pots and kettles. I call it the Drunk Dutchman.





I set it up so it can clean the inside and the outside at the same time. The part that goes in the inside is a piece of

regular steel exhaust pipe for now. It connects to the tank with a set of roach clips and is isolated from the rest of the works with a pipe plug that plumers use to temporarily plug a pipe.



The first test. I dont see any smoke or sparks yet so it must be working.



Scott Sanders Moderator ***

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Re: The Drunk Dutchman

Reply #1 - Dec 29th, 2010, 12:31am

Whooooooo....dogggggies. That set up looks like it should do something. Sure must be nice to know how to weld.....never did learn that skill. You can put together almost anything in any configuration your mind can imagine. Looks nice. Let us know how it works out and show us some results.

Scott

Ray Armstrong

Re: The Drunk Dutchman

Reply #2 - Dec 29th, 2010, 8:58am

Thanks Scott. You should be able to do the same thing to yours without any welding. You just need a pipe plug, a bolt the lenth of your pipe, to replace the original bolt & nut, and a couping nut to connect it to your allthread.

I'v had mine working on a stubborn old DO all night and for several hours before the drunk dutchman got ahold of it. The pot is pretty clean on the outside now and I'm starting to think the inside is covered with something other than rust. Before I left the shop for the night, yesterday, I switched the power over so its only cleaning the inside. I havent checked it today but I hope it improved overnight otherwise I might have to get rough with it or set up a lye tank. I

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got a couple other pots that need cleaning so the test aint over yet.

Ray Armstrong

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Re: The Drunk Dutchman

Reply #3 - Dec 29th, 2010, 11:31am

Whatever is in that pot wasent affected at all by 10-12 hours of electro tank therapy. I put another pot in the tank and its cooking now, inside and out. I'll go to town today and get some stainless pipe and some lye.

More at 11.

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Scott Sanders Moderator

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Re: The Drunk Dutchman

Reply #4 - Dec 29th, 2010, 4:16pm

Funny you should mention that Ray.....you got the gears turning in my head too, trying to configure something that would work with my $Electrorector\ Rustereater$. I think I have a 3/8" isolater stand off that I could use to separate the positive from the negetive connections. I'll see what I can come up with.....I like the idea of not having to wrap an insulating material around the insert piece. Hmmmm...off to the lab.

Scott

PS....Ray, why don't you make another post to the "sticky" thread and include some of your pictures of the "Drunk Dutchman" and your set-up in action? They may give someone else an idea or two. That way, we can keep adding to

the thread.

Re: The Drunk Dutchman

Reply #5 - Dec 30th, 2010, 11:41am

It looks like its gonna work just fine, here is a couple before & after pics of the latest victim.





I guess I never did get a full shot of the inside so heres what I did get. It was covered in some sort of hard water deposite type scale and light rust.







The dirty drunk dutchman had ahold of it for about 3 hours then I spent about 1/2 an hour scrubing it. Its getting seasoned now.

Roger Barfield Forum Administrator WAGS member オオオオオ

Re: The Drunk Dutchman

Reply #6 - Dec 30th, 2010, 11:49am Nice work Ray, that's a nice set up.

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