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Patent Research - Tethrd

👤 jhunter13 · ⌚ Mar 18, 2021

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**jhunter13**

Well-Known Member

Joined: Jun 6, 2020

Messages: 658

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#1

With all the discussion in the forums today regarding cease and desist letters, frustrations with this company or that company I figured it may be worth reading the actual patent Tethrd filed to better understand if other companies were infringing on their patent or not.

I am not affiliated with tethrd or any other saddle company. Just simply sharing readily available information from the US Patent and Trademark Office website.

Link: <https://uspto.report/patent/app/20200305412>

Patent # 16/375378

Abstract: A tree stand platform assembly includes a platform for supporting a hunter and which has a perimeter edge. The perimeter edge includes a front edge, a rear edge, a first lateral edge and a second lateral edge. The platform has a top surface, a bottom surface and an outer surface positioned between the top and bottom surfaces. The first and second lateral edges each include a front section abutting the front edge and a rear section abutting the rear edge. The rear section includes toe receiver. The toe receiver is formed by an obtuse angle formed in the outer surface of the rear section, wherein the obtuse angle is less than 160.degree.. The toe receiver provides an engagement point for a hunter's foot as the hunter rotates laterally away from the platform.

gcr0003, Plebe, Zero One Actual and 1 other person

**enkriss**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 13, 2018

Messages: 7,385

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#2

What about this one:



Safety Harness Assembly Patent Application

U.S. Patent Application 20200398088 for Safety Harness Assembly

uspto.report

Tjraley2, Nutterbuster and onestringr

**iamcorey**

Well-Known Member

Joined: Oct 24, 2018

Mar 18, 2021

#3

onestringr said:

I might be in the minority, but I don't really care about any of this.

You're not alone. Only thing I care about is the \$20 they still owe me.
They can lawyer whoever they want. A wise man once said, Mo money mo problems.

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Messages: 2,720

Sent from my iPhone using Tapatalk

👍👉 woodsdog2, Jay_Disarray and Zero One Actual

**CooterBrown**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 1, 2020

Messages: 2,324

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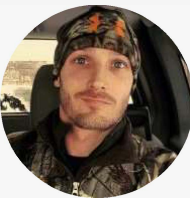
🔗 #4

onestringer said: 🗨️

I might be in the minority, but I don't really care about any of this. I do know this, if I had a patent on something I would fight with everything I had to protect it. That wouldn't make me a bad person, it makes me a good business person. Tethrd is getting a bad rap because they have openly discussed copying/improving things that did not have a patent, but that's the copied businesses fault. It doesn't take a law degree to see that a couple of the platform designs were born from the predator platform.

Looks like all saddles copy there safety harness assembly in some way or the other also. 🤔

👍👉 Tjraley2

**JCLINE84**

Well-Known Member

Vendor Rep

Joined: Oct 31, 2017

Messages: 921

Mar 18, 2021

🔗 #5

enkriss said: 🗨️

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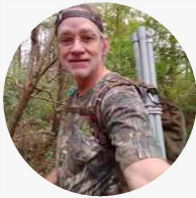
Guess I better reply to this one lol. When I came out with the Transformer Ernie called to congratulate me and order one for his museum. He then told me that they filed a patent a couple years ago on a similar design that they decided not to pursue. I asked him what that meant for me and the Transformer and he told me not to worry about it at all and to keep making it. He knew I didn't copy their design because the patent application wasn't public at the time that he called me. He said that if the patent went through someday they would reach out to me and work out a licensing deal with me, meaning I would pay a very small fee to them for every saddle I build. I never felt bullied or threatened at all. I was really appreciative of how nice they were about the whole thing and left that conversation without a care in the world about the patent. We even joked about how similar our idea was. I don't know if they will get the patent or not, but if they do I'm sure they will work with me to keep producing the Transformer because they're good guys that have always been straight forward and honest with me, so I trust them at their word and just keep moving forward. If they are awarded a patent I don't mind to pay a licensing fee to use the design since they thought of it before I did and put up the

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money to patent it. It's their legal right to be rewarded for their hard work and due diligence.

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 gcr0003, MIPublic, cdg097 and 26 others



bj139

Well-Known Member

Joined: Jun 13, 2019

Messages: 5,378

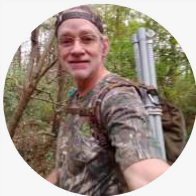
Location: SE PA

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 #6

The fun starts when these patents violate older patents. Then the lawyers fight it out and make a lot of money.

 gcr0003, woodsdog2 and Topdog



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Messages: 5,378

Location: SE PA

Mar 18, 2021

 #7

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Thanks for sharing. Glad to hear people can still just have a discussion and work things out.

 MIPublic, cdg097, woodsdog2 and 3 others

**Robert Ioper**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 19, 2017

Messages: 1,772

Location: NJ

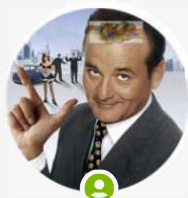
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#9

Id say like i said before. Let tethered and whomever else it is work it out. Just like the stand companies need to do the same.

alot of this is bull and without factual and legal stuff is all hearsay and really before the bashings begin. Lets stop the bull.

the the big boys fight it out.

cdg097 and Squirrels
**Plebe**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 14, 2020

Messages: 7,012

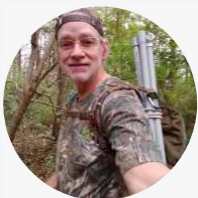
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#10

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woodsdog2 and bj139
**bj139**

Well-Known Member

Joined: Jun 13, 2019

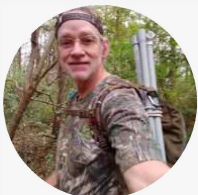
Messages: 5,378

Location: SE PA

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#11

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EddieK, gcr0003, HuntNorthEast and 3 others
**bj139**

Well-Known Member

Joined: Jun 13, 2019

Messages: 5,378

Location: SE PA

Mar 18, 2021

#12

Plebe said:

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woodsdog2

**enkriss**

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SH Member

Joined: Sep 13, 2018

Messages: 7,385

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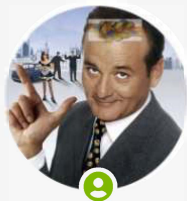
#13

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The significant things in the tethrd platform patent look to be the wings and the traction around the outer edge of the platform. But who knows it's so damn wordy. That's all I got out of it.

bj139

**Plebe**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 14, 2020

Messages: 7,012

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#14

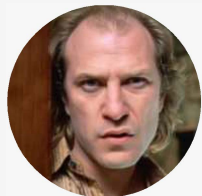
bj139 said:

Yes but you can't then re-patent the same idea. It becomes public domain.

I was just providing a timeline, didn't see that shared elsewhere.

For those who have an idea of when stuff came out, maybe it's helpful context.

bj139

**BuffaloBill**

Well-Known Member

Joined: Jan 20, 2019

Messages: 1,459

Location: Indiana

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#15

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bj139

**Maverick1**

Well-Known Member

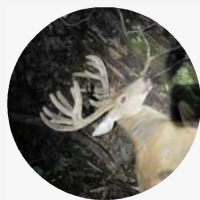
Joined: Aug 2, 2019

Messages: 1,403

Mar 19, 2021

#16

Why are you chasing this? Your options are to purchase what is available on the market, DIY, or not spend your money/spend it elsewhere.

**KYHunter**

Well-Known Member

Joined: Jan 20, 2018

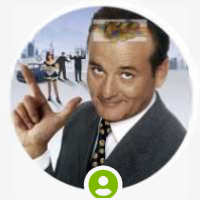
Messages: 1,113

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#17

I'll let y'all worry about this one..... I'm gonna keep worrying about deer hunting

Hall17, cdg097, MattMan81 and 7 others

**Plebe**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 14, 2020

Messages: 7,012

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#18

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woodsdog2 and Tjraley2

**jhunter13**

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Joined: Jun 6, 2020

Messages: 658

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#19

Plebe said:

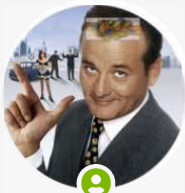
Fodder for the ambulance chasers

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Pretty sure OP states his purpose.

Not chasing anything. I am an engineer and was just curious what the patent actually said. Nothing more to it than that.

 gcr0003, LilBit and Tjraley2



Plebe

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 14, 2020

Messages: 7,012

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#20

jhunter13 said: 

Not chasing anything. I am an engineer and was just curious what the patent actually said. Nothing more to it than that.

Lol, if you go back and read your own post you'll discover your purpose for posting. That's all I was saying to the individual questioning your intent.

And, the information is fodder for ambulance chasers and just generally interesting for those who are interested for no other reason than interest. I fall in that camp, lol.

 Topdog

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👍 Topdog and Plebe



led0321

New Member

Joined: Aug 11, 2019

Messages: 26

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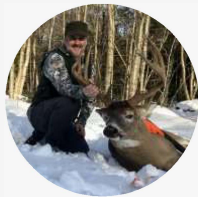
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bj139 said:

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From other saddle makers...

Sent from my iPhone using Tapatalk

**Topdog**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Jun 5, 2020

Messages: 2,099

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#23

jhunter13 said: 🗨️

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I find this thread interesting, I have nothing to bring to the plate so I'm keeping my mouth shut, put me in the wasting time camp, we still have 2' snow banks here.

👍 gcr0003, Vtbow and Plebe

**Robert Ioper**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 19, 2017

Messages: 1,772

Location: NJ

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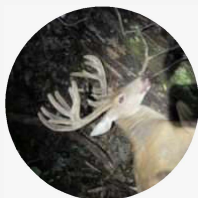
#24

KYHunter said: 🗨️

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Amen. This is dumb.this forum is getting bad with this stupid stuff.
My name is bob

👍 cdg097, Squirrels, Art_Vandelay and 2 others

**KYHunter**

Well-Known Member

Joined: Jan 20, 2018

Messages: 1,113

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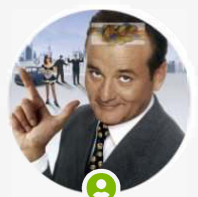
#25

Robert Ioper said: 🗨️

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For real tho. I miss the days before the saddle hype got started. A lot of innovation but also a lot of talk about deer hunting and tactics.

👍 Robert Ioper and clint6760

**Plebe**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 14, 2020

Messages: 7,012

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#26

Robert Ioper said: 🗨️

Amen. This is dumb.this forum is getting bad with this stupid stuff.
My name is bob

It's not dumb. Not everyone wants or needs a greater knowledge in this area, and it's easy enough to move on if that's where you fall.

Understanding the patents effecting the hunting industry and the gear most of us use may not interest everyone, but kindly, it's not at all dumb.

👍 AttackMode, CarolinaDog, CooterBrown and 9 others



dlist777

Well-Known Member

Joined: May 21, 2019

Messages: 711

Mar 19, 2021

#27

If I could patent ****ting in the woods, I'd make millions. I think with hunting gear, in the long run, it's better for a companies to focus on making a higher quality product for a good value than relying on patent protection for dubious "technological enhanements".

👍 🤖 rj2, Stykbow1, Robert loper and 3 others



TooheyBirdie

Well-Known Member

Joined: May 22, 2020

Messages: 490

Location:

Southern MN

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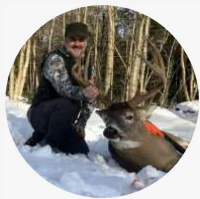
#28

BuffaloBill said: 🗨️

Interesting to see DIY Sportsman on the Predator patent. Makes sense though since he has an engineering background.

... he was pretty much the one who designed it..

👍 woodsdog2, BuffaloBill and denots



Topdog

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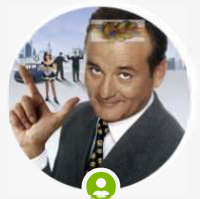
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Robert loper said: 🗨️

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So the choice is real easy, don't read it, pick another thread

👍 swampdonkey, AttackMode, LiBit and 7 others



Plebe

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 14, 2020

Messages: 7,012

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#30

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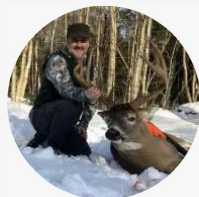
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I don't think the deer hunting and tactics talk here are earth shatteringly unique, minus the innovative approaches to gear setups which increase efficiency when employing specific tactics that have been around the block.

Seems like theres pretty good folks on here who generally keep an open mind, which is what I like most.

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 hokiehunter373, woodsdog2, KYHunter and 3 others



Topdog

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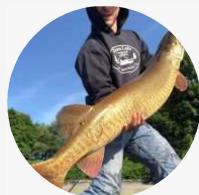
Messages: 2,099

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 #31

^^^ I would guarantee it.... at the end of the day unfortunately it's always about the \$\$\$

 Stykbow1, woodsdog2, dalton916 and 1 other person



Mschmeiske

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 4, 2017

Messages: 2,095

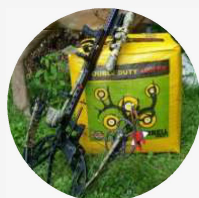
Location: New York

Mar 19, 2021

 #32

Money makes people act funny....

 Stykbow1, JSEXTON23, griff and 2 others



Vtbow

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Mar 21, 2018

Messages: 5,527

Mar 19, 2021

 #33

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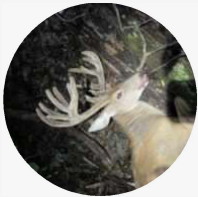
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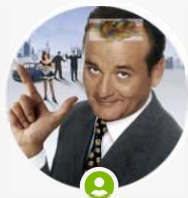
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Glad you've learned a lot here. I have too.

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Click to expand...

Yes, to a product from a major manufacturer and yes, because I read through a bunch of the old stuff on the site too.

 Vtbow

**Thrifty**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Dec 3, 2015

Messages: 3,864

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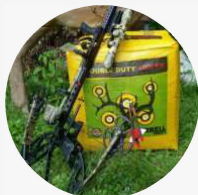
#36

KYHunter said: Ⓢ

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👍 JSEXTON23, TNSTAAFL, rhagenw and 3 others

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Messages: 5,527

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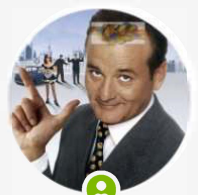
#37

Anobody said: Ⓢ

Saw a throw back to Greg's sit drag videos on YouTube today. Thought the same thing... sadly I'm not even a saddle hunter just a treestand guy you all adopted

Hey, I hunted from a treestand this year again too.....

👍 Robert Ioper, TNSTAAFL, KYHunter and 1 other person

**Plebe**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 14, 2020

Messages: 7,012

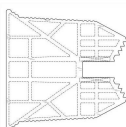
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#38

enkriss said: Ⓢ

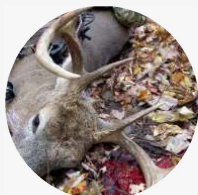
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The ornamental design patent:

**Hunting stand platform**

U.S. Patent Number D0909617 for Hunting stand platform

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**woodsdog2**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Jun 28, 2019

Mar 19, 2021

#39

Maverick1 said: Ⓢ

Why are you chasing this? Your options are to purchase what is available on the market, DIY, or not spend your money/spend it elsewhere.

Idle curiosity.

Messages: 10,032



skyjacker

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Nov 21, 2018

Messages: 1,466

Location: Oklahoma

Mar 19, 2021

#40

Mschmeiske said:

Money makes people act funny....

Yeah. Especially when you have a family and mouths to feed.

cdg097 and Mschmeiske

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jhunter13 · Mar 18, 2021

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Robert Ioper

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 19, 2017

Messages: 1,772

Location: NJ

Mar 19, 2021

#41

Tepdog said:

So the choice is real easy, don't read it, pick another thread

Cant when it pops open every time i log in son.

I see how this forum is going nowadays shame cause few years ago it was one of the best but i guess when ya get people who love drama in one spot. Drama will win over.

Seems to me the top dog needs some sort of social life rather than trying to pry rumors and bs from people.

Squirrels and TK161BOONER



Swingin' Free

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Nov 6, 2018

Messages: 656

Location: Central NY

Mar 19, 2021

#42

They started out this way and continue on this way. I'd like to act surprised but I can't.

I was surprised when they sent out return labels so quickly for their new stick. I though they may have seen the light....nope they saw the lawyers. Maybe the guys they pay to CTA will convince them to take back their faulty previous attempts at making products.

It is nice to dream...

Stykbowl1, dalton916 and Gator

**Gator**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: May 20, 2019

Messages: 2,595

Location: Virginia

Mar 19, 2021

#43

Robert Ioper said: 🗨️

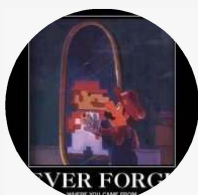
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Just move on. Pretty easy to just ignore.

👍 d_rek and Topdog

**enkriss**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 13, 2018

Messages: 7,385

Mar 19, 2021

#44

Robert Ioper said: 🗨️

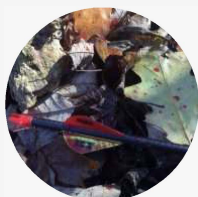
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You not only click on and read but you comment and contribute to everyone of these threads. What exactly are you complaining about?

👍 gcr0003, FI Canopy Stalker, hokiehunter373 and 3 others

**drew13**

Well-Known Member

Joined: Sep 11, 2014

Messages: 1,111

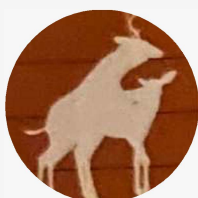
Location: Maine

Mar 19, 2021

#45

I find this all fascinating. The part that kinda stinks is that people don't share ideas on the site as freely as they used to because they don't want someone else to take their idea and make money from it. I admit to being guilty of withholding my best ideas if they have potential and only sharing them with a select few. Sorry, but that's what money and patents do to people. Wasn't like that on the site in the good ole days.

👍 FI Canopy Stalker, DanielB89, Vtbow and 8 others

**dalton916**

Well-Known Member

Mar 19, 2021

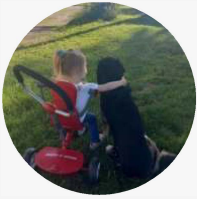
#46

Agreed.

SH Member

Joined: Sep 27, 2018

Messages: 4,394

**rhagenw**

Well-Known Member

Joined: May 4, 2020

Messages: 1,199

Mar 19, 2021

#47



BackSpasm, Mschmeiske, scpokevin and 1 other person

**BassBoysLLP**

Well-Known Member

Vendor Rep

Joined: Sep 28, 2014

Messages: 3,096

Mar 19, 2021

#48

I am the patent engineer at Tethrd. In addition to the patents granted, we have several unpublished patent applications submitted and we continue to submit patent applications as we develop new ideas to make saddle hunting better for all. The patents are expensive and time consuming, but they are the only enforceable means to protect Tethrd's inventions. It is smart business.

gcr0003, MIPublic, d_rek and 7 others

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Well-Known Member

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Joined: May 20, 2019

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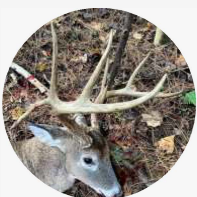
#49

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Could you elaborate on what this recent infringement is about so we can quit speculating?

FI Canopy Stalker

**Gator**

Well-Known Member

Mar 19, 2021

#50

raisins said:

What about the use of webbing in saddles?

Do it! Can I get some kickbacks for the encouragement?

SH Member

Joined: May 20, 2019
 Messages: 2,595
 Location: Virginia

**Swigin' Free**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Nov 6, 2018
 Messages: 656
 Location: Central NY

Mar 19, 2021

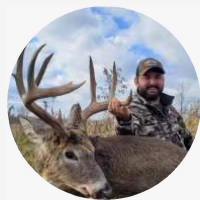
🔗 #51

BassBoysLLP said: 🗨️

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Save money on R&R waiting for the DIY guys to "figure it out". More money for patents and lawyers. Sound business plan, crappy morals. Maybe get some idears from Bad Dragon. Seems more tethrds style....

👍 Stykbow1, dalton916 and rhagenw

**Tjraley2**

Well-Known Member

Vendor Rep

Joined: Feb 21, 2018
 Messages: 815
 Location: Stoughton, WI

Mar 19, 2021

🔗 #52

Probably the most upsetting thing I've read here is that @Anobody just admitted to not being a saddle hunter.

What?!

👍 FI Canopy Stalker and woodsdog2

**rhagenw**

Well-Known Member

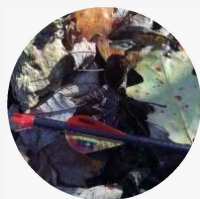
Joined: May 4, 2020
 Messages: 1,199

Mar 19, 2021

🔗 #53

Yeah I think it's pretty crappy most of tethrds products came from diy designs and then they patent them...then wants paid for people similar products I highly doubt they gave anyone kick back...And makes stuff in China instead of supporting US manufacturing...

👍 rj2, Stykbow1, Trav2525 and 3 others



Mar 19, 2021

🔗 #54

BassBoysLLP said: 🗨️

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BassBoysLLP is a really good dude. Super smart and was always willing to share his knowledge on the site back in the old days. I agree that it is smart business to protect your ideas with patents and that it is a lot of work to do so. But it is undeniable that adding business and money to the mix fundamentally changed the content and tenor of the site from the free sharing of ideas. Some people profited from it. The rest of us are jealous. Myself included!

 FI Canopy Stalker and Tjraley2

**Tjraley2**

Well-Known Member

Vendor Rep

Joined: Feb 21, 2018

Messages: 815

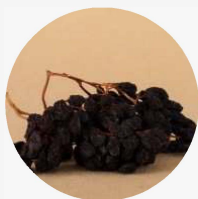
Location: Stoughton, WI

Mar 19, 2021

 #55

I'm guessing many of you that don't like the way Tethrd has done things also claim to be free market capitalists. Welcome to America.

  d_rek, MIbowhunter49, TexaninSconny and 2 others

**raisins**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Jan 17, 2019

Messages: 6,955

Mar 19, 2021

 #56

Tjraley2 said: 

I'm guessing many of you that don't like the way Tethrd has done things also claim to be free market capitalists. Welcome to America.

This is actually the free market at work.

We are exchanging not just money but "utility". Utility encompasses every plus and minus of what you have (money, usually) and what you get for it (a platform, etc). A platform is not only the object itself but your total enjoyment of it, which for some includes the emotional experience of buying USA made and/or from a company with ethics they appreciate. The utility of money is much simpler than the utility of a good or service.

Therefore, discussing this openly so as to adjust our views/utility is absolutely free market capitalism. Free market doesn't mean "everyone should be cool with whatever a company does so long as it is legal and they are just trying to make money".

I don't know if they do it, but if Tethrd scours this site for ideas and then uses them without a nod or money for the original mind, and then patents it, then that is legal but scummy behavior....and then to return here to fraternize, promote, and do it again. That is what you expect from Exxon or something. If I have a really good idea at some point, I won't post it here for them to patent and use. That behavior is exploiting people that are too trusting or don't have the money/time/infrastructure to patent something.

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 Stykbow1, Trav2525, TNSTAAFL and 6 others
**Swigin' Free**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Nov 6, 2018

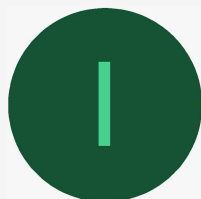
Messages: 656

Location: Central NY

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 #57

Na, I equate tethrd to china... steals an idea and then makes it "theirs". My beef with them is they started here, stole a community saddle idea and started a company with it. Then played the good 'Ole boys card while they sent out scrap and got called out. They have enough fan boys to drown out most of the negative press. In my eyes they left the SH community to follow the money while profiting off us with safety being less important then the mighty dollar. Definitely someone I'd like to share my beer with...

 rj2, Stykbow1, Robert Ioper and 3 others
**iamcorey**

Well-Known Member

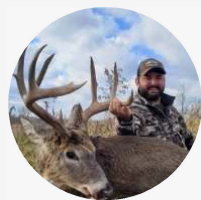
Joined: Oct 24, 2018

Messages: 2,720

Mar 19, 2021

 #58

So wait, you can have a general idea of something, patent it but never produce it, then when someone makes something similar you can come in and make money on it?

 Robert Ioper and FI Canopy Stalker
**Tjraley2**

Well-Known Member

Vendor Rep

Joined: Feb 21, 2018

Messages: 815

Location: Stoughton, WI

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 #59raisins said: 

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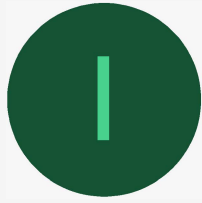
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Totally agree. This is the free market at work. I should have been more clear in my post to say the free market has two sides. The only point I intended to get at is to say they have a right to their side just as much as we do. I think keeping that in

mind helps us frame the conversation in a more productive manner. I'm concerned the conversation will devolve into personal attacks rather than evolving into adjusting the utility we assign to their product, and thus the amount we're willing to pay or our willingness to buy at all.

 [woodsdog2](#), [raisins](#) and [scpokevin](#)



iamcorey

Well-Known Member

Joined: Oct 24, 2018

Messages: 2,720

Mar 19, 2021

#60

[raisins said:](#) 

We all do what we do and then back rationalize it. Some people just know that they do that and try not to. They even pick this up in MRI brain studies where you make a decision and then the little logic part of your brain kicks in afterward to try to justify it! Kind of unsettling actually.

The standard excuse is "if we hadn't done this, then another company would have" which is not tenable when applied to stealing purses off the sidewalk, however.

Pretty much sums up my decision process for killing every legal deer I see.

 [woodsdog2](#) and [Tjraley2](#)

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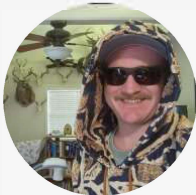
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Nutterbuster

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Oct 12, 2017

Messages: 10,354

Location:

Where the skys are so blue!

Mar 19, 2021

#61

iamcorey said: ⤴

So wait, you can have a general idea of something, patent it but never produce it, then when someone makes something similar you can come in and make money on it?

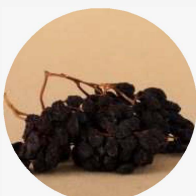


Understanding Patent Trolls

A patent troll is a derogatory term used to describe the use of patent infringement claims to win court judgments for profit or to stifle competition.

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👍 griff and FI Canopy Stalker



raisins

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Jan 17, 2019

Messages: 6,955

Mar 19, 2021

#62

iamcorey said: ⤴

So wait, you can have a general idea of something, patent it but never produce it, then when someone makes something similar you can come in and make money on it?

Yep. And people can patent simple stuff too. I deleted a post earlier today (don't wanna open too many worm cans), but Dan Infalt patented using machining to make aluminum tree stands. I know this is legal and part of the game, but it is just silly to me. Can I patent using a socket wrench?

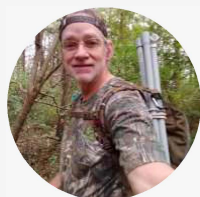
Can you patent "rectangular or trapezoidal platforms when viewed overhead"? The toe thing on the Predator is so simple and common place in other items (a catch ledge) that only a lawyer would think to patent that.

Apple was in the news for patenting the gesture on the screen to "pinch" it to shrink images and also the length to width ratio of their screen.

I think patent law needs to be reformed.

Last edited: Mar 19, 2021

👍 Stykbow1, switchback07 and FI Canopy Stalker



bj139

Well-Known Member

Joined: Jun 13, 2019

Messages: 5,378

Location: SE PA

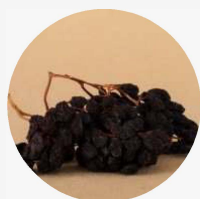
Mar 19, 2021

#63

iamcoray said: 🗨️

So wait, you can have a general idea of something, patent it but never produce it, then when someone makes something similar you can come in and make money on it?

I have seen reports where this happens a lot. Get a patent on an idea and never make anything with the idea to sue a manufacturer later for a small cut. There are places that buy up unused patents.



raisins

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Jan 17, 2019

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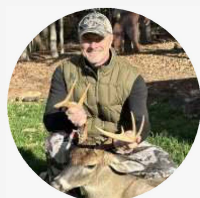
#64

Tjrale2 said: 🗨️

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Cool. This also answers folks that say "well, if you are mad they are making money like this, then why don't you just start doing it?". Somehow criticizing a business has been associated with being a bleeding heart.

👍👉 Stykbow1 and Tjrale2



Bwhana

Well-Known Member

Mar 19, 2021

#65

Having been through the patent process several times, writing patents is more of an exercise in semantics than they are reality or even uniqueness of a product. If your lawyer can be creative enough, you can just about patent an existing product to the tee. Did Infalt really invent drilling holes in tubing for sticks (just walk around any warehouse in the world and look at how many metal tubing racks with holes existed

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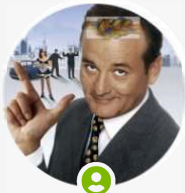
SH Member

Joined: Dec 8, 2017
 Messages: 2,321
 Location: Hickory, NC

long before he was born). This is a problem with the legal system and what it allows, not with Tethrd. Not sure what truly "new" ideas they have patented, but even if their concepts or products were already out there, others did not patent them, so they won that legal game, so you have to give it to them for beating them to the punch.

That said, the quality of ideas shared openly on this and other sites has significantly degraded in equal proportion to the rise of Tethrd and other commercial saddle companies and saddle hunting popularity, in large part to the concerns that they will take the ideas and patent them. Why would anyone share a truly great concept in public now that will be used for commercial gain by someone else? When is the last time you saw something truly innovative on here that is not just a tweak of something already done in the past couple of years? A stick is a stick, platform is a platform, linesman loop is linesman loop, and on it goes! You are either buying or DIYing, and buying just keeps the patents coming.

👍 switchback07, Robert Ioper, TNSTAAFL and 5 others



Plebe

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 14, 2020
 Messages: 7,012

Mar 19, 2021

#66

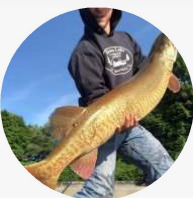
Gator said: 🗨️

Could you elaborate on what this recent infringement is about so we can quit speculating?

I doubt he can openly share that info.

But what would be really cool is if he could highlight some of the key aspects of patent design and application....how to go about it...pitfalls...you know the insider stuff that could help some of the ingenuitive folks on this site if they ever wanted to get a start up going with "new ideas to make saddle hunting better for all."

👍 FI Canopy Stalker



Mschmeiske

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 4, 2017
 Messages: 2,095
 Location: New York

Mar 19, 2021

#67

Give me AeroHunter and Eastern Woods, or give me Death!

-Tiger Woods 1867

👍👍 Stykbow1, JSEXTON23, FI Canopy Stalker and 4 others

**enkriss**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 13, 2018

Messages: 7,385

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#68

raisins said:

Anyone know if Sandor27 got any cash for this?

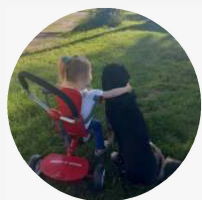
DIY sub-1lb climbing stick adventure!

How are you attaching to the carbon tube? Any field tests yet? You're my hero.

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@Sandor27

**rhagenw**

Well-Known Member

Joined: May 4, 2020

Messages: 1,199

Mar 19, 2021

#69

Is Klemz a member? He should get a kick back too

dalton916

**Swingin' Free**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Nov 6, 2018

Messages: 656

Location: Central NY

Mar 19, 2021

#70

rhagenw said:

Is Klemz a member? He should get a kick back too

Might just be easier for tethrd to give out stock....

dalton916

**enkriss**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Sep 13, 2018

Messages: 7,385

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#71

rhagenw said:

Is Klemz a member? He should get a kick back too

They ain't getting jack... well besides papers if they try to sell their design.

**CooterBrown**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

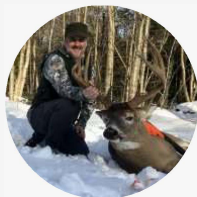
Joined: Sep 1, 2020

Messages: 2,324

Mar 19, 2021

🔗 #72

Cant blame tethrd for trying to be the Amazon of saddles but also cant expect to get big without having some fallouts. I hope the greed doesn't take over too much tho. They have definitely put saddle hunting out in the main stream.

**Topdog**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Jun 5, 2020

Messages: 2,099

Mar 19, 2021

🔗 #73

Robert loper said: 🗨️

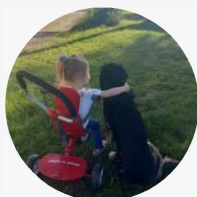
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Seems to me the top dog needs some sort of social life rather than trying to pry rumors and bs from people.

Well Robert once again, if a thread does not interest you the choice is real easy pick another one to read, posting such comments as above with zero pertaining to the thread topic in an attempt to stir the pot is not very productive for anybody, I wish you the best of luck this coming deer season and I mean it!

👍 Robert loper, dalton916, woodsdog2 and 1 other person

**rhagenw**

Well-Known Member

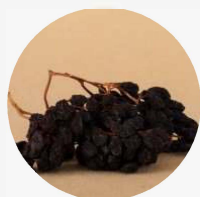
Joined: May 4, 2020

Messages: 1,199

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🔗 #74

USA made and innovative!

**raisins**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Jan 17, 2019

Messages: 6,955

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#75

Here's a free idea for Cruzr to get around the patent.

Put a small tapped hole at one or more location where you can thread a bolt in there and now you have an adjustable/removable toe grabber.

Oh...patent pending....except if you are Cruzr.

**Swingin' Free**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

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Location: Central NY

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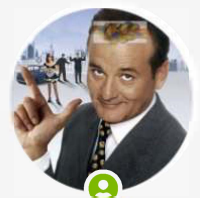
#76

CooterBrown said: ↑

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More like Hawk than Amazon....

👍👍 rj2, Mschmeiske, Mlbowhunter49 and 2 others

**Plebe**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

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#77

drew13 said: ↻

BassBoysLLP is a really good dude. Super smart and was always willing to share his knowledge on the site back in the old days. I agree that it is smart business to protect your ideas with patents and that it is a lot of work to do so. But it is undeniable that adding business and money to the mix fundamentally changed the content and tenor of the site from the free sharing of ideas. Some people profited from it. The rest of us are jealous. Myself included!

I like everything you are saying here, except when you project envy onto everyone. I sense frustration rather than jealousy from what many folks have posted. And, as we've seen, there are some who are completely indifferent too.

I appreciate protecting ideas.

From what I see, the primary differences between the Predator platform and earlier Assassin platform relate almost entirely to platform geometry (specifically the frontal wings) and the grip on the vertical perimeter, with the exception of utilizing a beam support rather than a tube (which doesn't appear to be strongly protected in the filed patent). Language supporting this is as follows:

1. The toe receiver is formed by an obtuse angle formed in the outer surface of the

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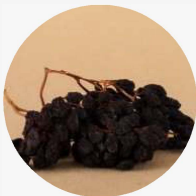
rear section, wherein the obtuse angle is less than 160.degree.. The toe receiver provides an engagement point for a hunter's foot as the hunter rotates laterally away from the platform.

7. The support assembly according to claim 6, further including a plurality of gripping protuberances extending outwardly away from the outer surface of each of the first and second lateral edges, the gripping protuberances being positioned on each of the front and rear sections.

I have absolutely no problem with Tethrd protecting these two aspects as they were unique design features so far as I know when they applied for the patent.

People should be rewarded for their ingenuity, IMO. What's tough is when ideas that aren't one's own find their way into the mix (I won't speculate on that) as well as this reality, patents can bog down continuing progress.

 TNSTAAFL, woodsdog2 and drew13



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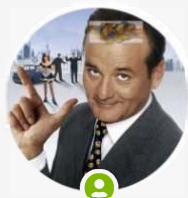
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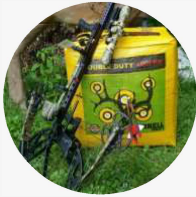
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Potentially. I read that there is some protection from infringement (up to 12 months) if you sell product while working up a patent request. I might be misinterpreting what I read though.

In this instance, if true, it can be a space race. And history tells that tale.

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Vtbow

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Messages: 5,527



Mar 19, 2021

#80

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Treesuit Platform \$120

👍 TNSTAAFL, woodsdog2, Swingin' Free and 2 others

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#81

How many innovative features does this old Lone Wolf stand have that are the same as the Predator? I would say this might be prior art or expired patent. Top and bottom surface, front and back edge, check, oh yeah. 🤖 I-beam post - innovative.

Don't know what else might be.



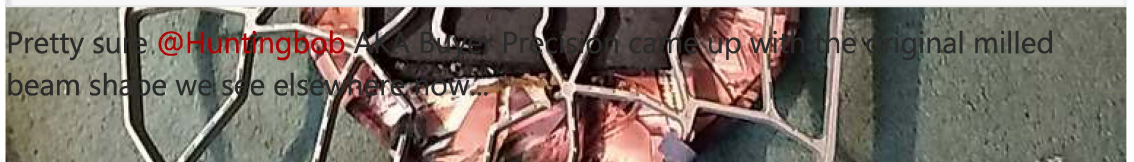
bj139 said: 🗨️

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Pretty sure @Huntingbob AKA Buck Precision came up with the original milled beam shape we see elsewhere now.



Milled platform post

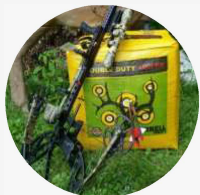
I have 2 platform posts for sale ready for fast shipping. \$75.00 each shipping included. Once these go it may be a delay before I have more available. Pm me for PayPal info. Thanks Sent from my iPhone using Tapatalk
saddlehunter.com

👍 Plebe and bj139

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🔗 #83

bj139 said: 🗨️



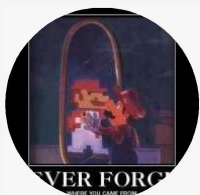
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What about this expired one:

U.S. Patent for Foot platform device Patent (Patent # 5,819,874 issued October 1...

The present invention relates to a foot platform device which is adapted to support a hunter within a tree. In use, the foot platform is first strapped to a tree. The hunter then supports himself with the aid of both a chest strap and the foot platform. In the preferred embodiment, the foot...

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**Thrifty**

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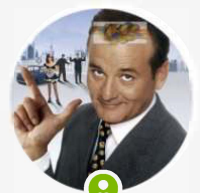
Tjraley2 said: 🗨️

Probably the most upsetting thing I've read here is that @Anobody just admitted to not being a saddle hunter.

What?!

yes it's true... just not for me....ran one for a few years in the sit drag era. Just like stands better.

👍 TNSTAAFL and Tjraley2

**Plebe**

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If you search D'Acquisto in the patent finder you'll find lots of stuff, including the patent for a cam buckle attachment for stands.

Also, look at the references cited section of a patent and you can click and see other familiar hunting stand patents that were filed.

Cam operated holding belt for tree stand

U.S. Patent Number 06568505 for Cam operated holding belt for tree stand

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 bj139



Robert Ioper

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Joined: Sep 19, 2017

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Location: NJ

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#86

Topdog said: 

Well Robert once again, if a thread does not interest you the choice is real easy pick another one to read, posting such comments as above with zero pertaining to the thread topic in an attempt to stir the pot is not very productive for anybody, I wish you the best of luck this coming deer season and I mean it!

And same to you. Stir the pot? I dont think so. Was trying to avoid just comments like your original one.

stirring thr pot would fuel the fire of the subject son. I was far from that.

You also i wish good luck a s i scroll on outta this place.

Keep on dramatizing and worrying about things we nor anyone here have zero to do with. To each his own i guess. Im here to learn or teach not spread cancerous gossip.

Maybe It might help in the end if your up on the dramma you seem to like.

good day to you and all.

i think its time for a long break from this forum. .

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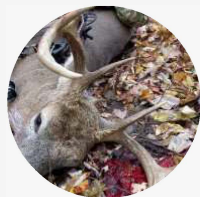
#87

enkriss said: 

You not only click on and read but you comment and contribute to everyone of these threads. What exactly are you complaining about?

Nothing bro. Forget it im done. Lol

 Bern381

**woodsdog2**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Jun 28, 2019

Messages: 10,032

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#88

Vtbow said:

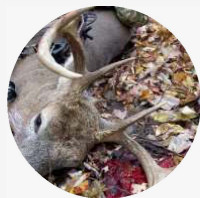
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Great point, I've got one too, the original and it certainly has "wings." It actually also has a climbing stand type cable configuration with a nylon rope so you could platform climb with it. Your platform and climber all in one simple unit. Not a new idea either as I believe I bought it from the original tree suit dude in the early 2000's. It actually works ok too but its noisy for me but like anything, if you practice, wrap some parts and refine your technique, it would be pretty workable.

Vtbow

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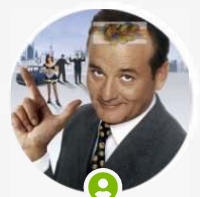
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#89

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#90

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I had this crazy idea about a telescoping or folding frame that would extend and lock and which would employ a webbing net (or trampoline mat or rope net) drawn tight to create a "soft platform."

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woodsdog2

**sureshotscott**

Moderator

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Joined: Jul 18, 2017

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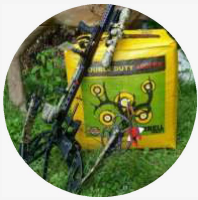
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#91

Where's my patent lawyer.....

TNSTAAFL, woodsdog2, boyne bowhunter and 1 other person

**Vtbow**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Mar 21, 2018

Messages: 5,527

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#92

sureshotscott said:

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boyne bowhunter and sureshotscott

**iamcorey**

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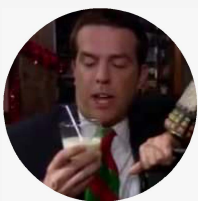
#93

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I've seen roofing companies "go out of business" on Friday to avoid things only to be working the next Monday under a different name. Shady but it happens.

Sent from my iPhone using Tapatalk

woodsdog2

**MIbowhunter49**

Well-Known Member

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#94

Cracks me up when people make BS generalized comparisons between products, in reference to a platform that could be a carbon copy.

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Messages: 342



Milbowhunter49

Well-Known Member

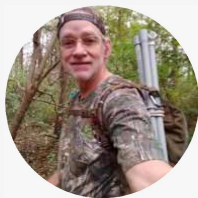
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#95



👍👉 onestring, Mschmeiske, BassBoysLLP and 1 other person



bj139

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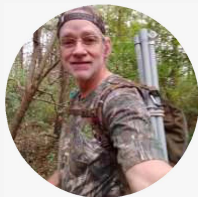
iamcorey said: ⤴

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You don't have to comply with the letter. You could get sued but maybe not if the letterer decided their legal fees would be too much to try. No matter what happens then, the lawyers win.

👍👉 woodsdog2, Plebe and raisins



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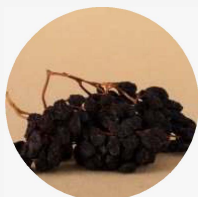
#97

raisins said: ⤴

BJ, have you also been sued by Tethrd before? 😊

No. I have never sold a product related to any thing they sell. I sold parts for assembly but they don't count.

👍👉 raisins



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#98

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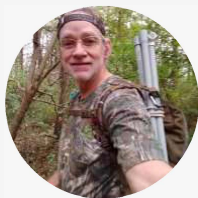
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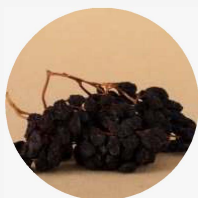
🔗 #99

raisins said: 🗨️

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**raisins**

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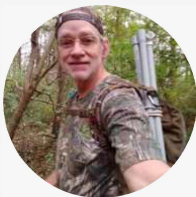
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#101

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#102

Milbowhunter49 said:

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If we can spend a lot of time and money on patenting fingers, where will it end? The patent on the universal finger gesture has long since expired, IMHO.



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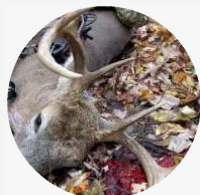
Chinyrd 🤔

dalton916

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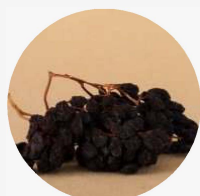
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#104

dalton916 said:

Chinyrd

It is somewhat disappointing isn't it?? Aahhhh.....the almighty renminbi...

 **dalton916**

raisins

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#105

TNSTAAFL said:

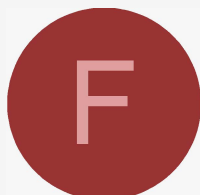
The following story is entirely fictional. Any resemblance to actual historical events or people is purely coincidental. Copyright application pending.

circa 2010 Treestands are heavy, bulky, and noisy. There's got to be a better way.

circa 2011 Turns out there is this thing called a saddle, which went away as it was never very popular. You can still find some used or DIY your own. I need to find one or figure out how to

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Interestingly, in the 1990s (ish) before TMA, you could get lightweight tree stands (loc on limit, etc) because the things didn't have to be so overbuilt. If those still existed at a competitive price, I think saddle hunting would be less popular. Back then, you could get a 7 lbs tree stand for right around 100 bucks.

 **hokiehunter373, BuffaloBill, Vtbow and 1 other person**

**FI Canopy
Stalker**

Well-Known Member

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Joined: Feb 4, 2021

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#106

BassBoysLLP said:

I am the patent engineer at Tethrd. In addition to the patents granted, we have several unpublished patent applications submitted and we continue to submit patent applications as we develop new ideas to make saddle hunting better for all. The patents are expensive and time consuming, but they are the only enforceable means to protect Tethrd's inventions. It is smart business.

I agree from the standpoint that is the only enforceable means, and it's smart business, however for patents to be approved, it has to be a design or improvement

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that the common person cannot come up with or "non obvious". Being that most of us on this forum are working class people who are not manufacturers or engineers, come up with ideas or share them, then most of these ideas are obvious. So why patent them? What happens if people begin writing the patent office with proof that these patent pending innovations are actually just DIY ideas normal working class people came up with and we're already utilizing non commercially?

 Plebe, Gator, TNSTAAFL and 1 other person



BassBoysLLP

Well-Known Member

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Messages: 3,096

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#107

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 Plebe



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Do those pulled patents get removed from the website though because I see patent pending on everything from daisy chain for gear hangers, to buried Amsteel which is pretty common practice in the marine industry. Just curious if all those abandoned patents remain "patent pending" on the website to try to dissuade others from utilizing the prior existing "innovation"



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@BassBoysLLP it may help if you clarify what features of the Predator you hold a patent for. It appears that the patent is limited to the traction and the wings on the edge. Is that the case? It may help clear up a lot of the confusion in this thread if can clarify that.

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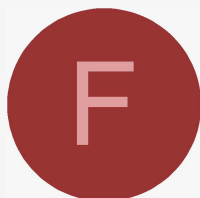
Mar 22, 2021

#112

The utility patent is written around the wings (toe hooks) and the side traction. The design patent is more ornamental and not limited to the features claimed in the utility patent. Both have provided Tethrd value in protecting our design.

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gcr0003, skell and GCTerpfan

**FI Canopy Stalker**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Feb 4, 2021

Messages: 5,499

Mar 22, 2021

#113

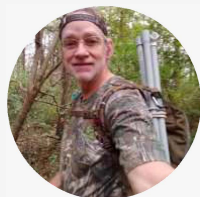
BassBoysLLP said:

The patent office is way more diligent than you believe. For example, the HYS strap patent was brought into question as there are several simple daisy chains already on the market. This wasn't just researching submitted applications but something as simple as Google as we were provided multiple references to defend. At the end of the day, we have a design and utility patent on the HYS strap.

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If they granted you a patent on a daisy chain with a g hook then they are not diligent at all. I know a man who holds a patent on dying leather and he said it was the easiest royalties he ever made, it was just expensive and time consuming. It is neither here nor there. All I am saying is that company made a killing off the backs of DIY guys who didn't have the resources or know how, or even the urge for some to patent. They literally wanted to help other saddle hunters for love of the sport. Filing patents and trying to attack a small business competitor because you know they do not have the resources to fight you does nothing to further saddle hunting which makes all those you tube videos as well as a mission statement bogus in my opinion. But I'm a nobody. I just know none of my money will ever go that direction again and word of mouth can eventually trump brilliant marketing. Thank you for the responses though, it was greatly appreciated.

switchback07, Gator and zurr4013

**bj139**

Well-Known Member

Joined: Jun 13, 2019

Messages: 5,378

Mar 23, 2021

#114

I thought the patent office was just an archiving office and didn't search for conflicts with any existing patents anymore. Am I wrong?

Location: SE PA

**BassBoysLLP**

Well-Known Member

Vendor Rep

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Mar 23, 2021

#115

bj139 said: ☺

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They look hard. Not everything you submit makes it through. We often do or pay for a patent search before submitting anything. Otherwise it is wasted money.

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👍 gcr0003 and bj139

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Mar 23, 2021

#116

bj139 said: ☺

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They do only check your patent claims against existing patents which is why I said perhaps people should write in with proof these ideas were in use prior to someone patenting them to prove that the ideas are obvious, that would make getting patents on other peoples ideas much much harder

👍 bj139

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Mar 23, 2021

#117

This is not true. They examine non patent sources in addition to patents.

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👍 🤖 d_rek, bj139 and FI Canopy Stalker

**FI Canopy Stalker**

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#118

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Again they issued you a patent for a daisy chain with an extra piece of webbing and a g hook, so they are definitely not examining non patent sources or they would see that stuff has been sold or used in military, rock climbing and tactical rescue operations for a long time

 bj139
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🔗 #119

FI Canopy Stalker said: 🗨️

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Show me an infringing reference please. They looked hard on this one and sent us multiple commercial products.

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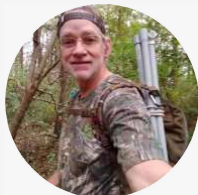
I did not say y'all infringed on any product. I said you simply did not create a new or unique product that required a patent. How about those g hooks being exactly the same as the metolius crash pad buckles, or the sea and summit buckles (except y'all made a left and a right with a tiny barb inward, instead of a left facing only that just hooks downward. They both function the same regardless - and I know because I own all three). See you are claiming that your company did not infringe, I am not foolish enough to claim infringement of existing patents, as a patent professional or attorney I am sure you've created wording to word around any potential claims of the sort. I am simply stating that they also did not create or "innovate" as you put it. They took the ideas from people on this forum, commercialized those ideas and ran to a patent office to prevent others from making them cheaper or better. I just hope someone fights the ridiculous cease and desists, because this nonsense does not further saddle hunting, it stagnates it. True competition drives product quality up and prices down. That is all. No need for you making claims that I said they infringed, because I never said that. I simply said that daisy chains and g hooks are not new or unique ideas, and the fact that you want patent Infringement evidence further demonstrates that the concerns are for existing patents and not non patent products or "non obvious improvements".


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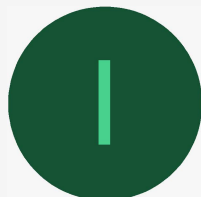
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#121

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iamcorey

Well-Known Member

Joined: Oct 24, 2018

Messages: 2,720

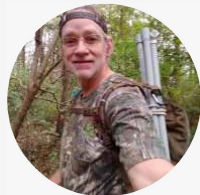
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#122

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#123

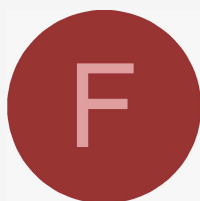
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I just looked up an article and found you cannot make something DIY without violating a patent. The monetary damage on one unit would be so low as to preclude any lawsuit. Lawyers make more per minute than the damages on one unit.

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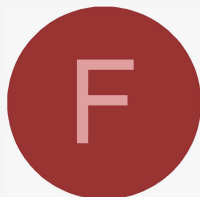
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Or the post where the guy all but created the now patent pending circular carbon tube that is "chemically welded" to metal steps. And again I know a man who got a patent for a leather dying process... call me crazy but people have been dying leather for centuries..... Which by the way epoxy or "chemical welding" is very strong but metals do something fascinating when they get hot or cold, they expand and shrink. It is why you have platforms creeping in the frozen weather (If you have a rusted nut that you can't break loose hit it with a heat torch for a few minutes, it'll heat and expand, once it cools your bound nut breaks loose easily)! Typical epoxies do not flex well with those materials and you end up with parts breaking loose. But what do I know because I'm not an engineer?



Mar 23, 2021

#125

iamcorey said:

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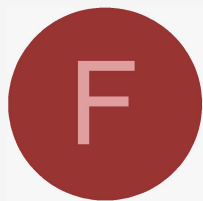
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They say not to ignore, respond within dead line and wait for your day in court. Lawyers are expensive but in a lot of states they now make the losing party pay for all the legal expenses. So if it were me I would fight it tooth and nail, then they would either leave you alone, settle for a small fee or if you are confident and able fight it in court. When you win, they lose out badly. I would personally then file a civil suit for sufferage against the US patent office for lack of due diligence regarding the matter. If more people did that, you can bet those ridiculous patent laws would quickly change. - that is the thing that Europe did right with their trademark and patent laws.





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Mar 23, 2021

#126

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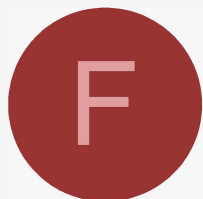
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I do not think he was referring to DIY, I think he is saying if he was one of the small companies that the other company is going after. If you are not selling a product, then you are not causing any financial distress to the patent holder anyway. He is saying he would ignore them because the whole process is ignorant, and designed to make it hard for the little guy and eliminate the actual principles on which true capitalism was founded. Again competition drives quality up and prices down. I could give examples of large companies that have ruined consumer markets with these same practices of running off competition. But I do not want to call out anyone or say anything derogatory. I just do not see how any of these practices spread the love of saddle hunting or help to ambassador innovative products and advancements. I mean if Aerohunter had done the same thing with the Kestrel or Kestrel flex, you wouldn't have the Cruzr Xc, the H2 slingshot or the menace saddle for that matter. Companies typically piggy back off of each other to further the market. It is how you find what works and what does not. Anyway my whole rant is over. Happy off season to everyone

 Stykbow1



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Jun 27, 2021

#127

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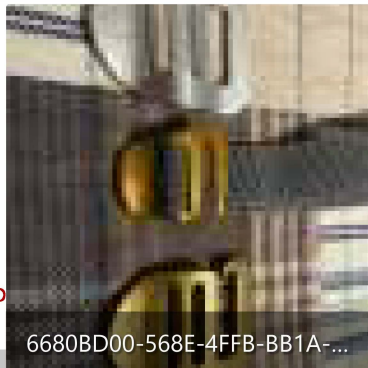
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USD920159S1 - Strap buckle - Google Patents

Someone liked this thread today and it made me think of this. Remember where someone said the patent office does due diligence in their searches? Check this out! None of the buckles or hooks in the citations looked anything like the sea 2 summit or the metolius crash pad buckle, even though they are virtually the same except the crash pad buckle has a tiny bit more curve on the slide bar. Definitely not different enough that it couldn't be "construed" as ornamentally a similar design. I don't think Metolius patented this buckle even though they've made it for years

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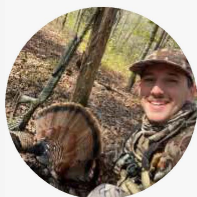
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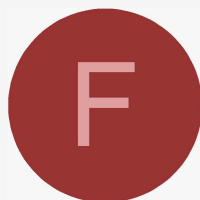
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[FI Canopy Stalker and jhunter13](#)**FI Canopy Stalker**

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Messages: 5,499

Jun 30, 2021

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He definitely responded professionally. I will never deny that he was very professional with any answers he gave.

 Stykbowl1

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