

CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION AND OPERATION

General Operation

The 8900 Series High Performance Tire Changers are air/electric units, incorporating pneumatic and electrical systems in the same unit to mount, demount, seat beads, and inflate tires. The motor used in domestic applications is a 1hp/115volt/60Hz reversible, capacitor start motor, designed for continuous duty and is controlled by a bi-directional 42-ampere barrel switch. Machines destined for the International market may have other power requirements, depending on the location it is going to. The motor drives a worm shaft, which drives a worm gear in the transmission (located below the turntable, inside the base weldment). This rotates the turntable forward and backward. Bead breaking with the 8900 series tire changer is accomplished using a double acting pneumatic cylinder with no return spring. Rims are clamped using two synchronized cylinders. This evenly distributes force to four clamping jaws. Clamping may be done either from the outside of the rim inward, or from the inside of the rim outward, depending on what the situation requires. Bead seater jets are attached to the clamp jaws to allow more efficient air penetration into the tire during the bead seating stage of inflation. The major differences between these units and other similar units (European Rim Clamp tire changers) are the availability of an integral safety restraint system (standard) and the built in fully pneumatic pressure limiter that limits inflation pressure in a tire to a maximum of 60 psi. By making these safety items standard on the machines available to the public, the John Bean Company European-style tire changer is both more functional and safer to use than those of the competition.

Unique Characteristics

The turntable is plated with a composite silver-gold-zinc plating, which is more resistant to corrosion than similar items plated with silver-zinc only. A 1/100 ratio worm geared transmission is used on these units for decreased noise and to enhance life expectancy. The bead breaker cylinder is a steel barrel lined with an extra smooth acetal resin liner. This makes operation of the bead breaker quite smooth, being nearly frictionless in operation. The use of an acetal resin liner; however, does limit the types of lubricants that can be used in the air system to specific non-reactive types, generally plain oils without addition of excessive detergents or additives. The bead breaker cylinder piston is machined aluminum. Rim clamping is accomplished using twin double-acting cylinders, which are equipped with long life piston seals. The air distribution manifold (under the turntable) and all valves are made of a special plastic blend. The pneumatic pressure limiter is a self-contained series of diaphragms which are used to check relative pressure of the air being supplied to the inflation hose, and compare it to the air pressure in the tire. Maximum tire inflation possible with this system is 60psi.

To understand how to service this machine please study the pneumatic schematic for information concerning the air system and the electrical schematic for information concerning the electrical system not yet available at the time of this printing). Other information will relate to the parts references for the two machines.

Manufacturing Variances based on Model Number

8950 Series: Swing arm unit, capable of handling tires to 12" width, 40" OD

8960 Series: Swing arm unit, capable of handling tires to 15" width, 50" OD

8990 Series: Racing / High performance unit. Pneumatic tilt tower, capable of handling tires to 15" width, 40"

OD. Incorporates an oversized turntable for performance diameter tires. Turntable speed is variable via mechanical means.

CHAPTER 2 SERVICE

CAUTION:

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these units. Use proper precautions when working with machines with moving parts (no rings, no loose clothing that can be caught in a belt or pulley, and safety glasses MUST be worn). NEVER WORK ON A UNIT WITHOUT FIRST BLEEDING OFF THE AIR!

Recommended Lubricants

Air lubricator system:

- A. Mobil DTE Light
- B. Gulf (Chevron) Harmony 32
- C. Texaco Regal Oil R&O 32

Transmission Lubricant:

- A. Mobil Gear 626
- B. Shell Omala 68
- C. Sun EP 1050
- D. Gulf EP Lube HD 68

NOTE:

If proper lubricants are not on hand, they can usually be easily located. For example, by calling 1-800-662-4525 you can reach Mobil Oil company for their local authorized distributors and information regarding stocking distributors in your area. Shell oils can be located by calling 800-231-6950 from 7 AM to 5 PM Central time, Monday through Friday. Grainger and NSC are nationwide chains that stock many brands of lubricants.

Do NOT substitute lubricants randomly! Random substitution of oils will damage the plastics and seals used in the bead breaker cylinder, foot valves, and other cylinders. Do NOT use Marvel Mystery Oil or air tool oil. These oils contain large quantities of detergents and solvents that are incompatible with the plastics and seals used in these valves and cylinders.



Maintenance

The bead blast system is integral to the turntable of these machines. Air is fed to the bead blast ports from the foot actuated valve (*Figure 1*), through the rotating manifold (sealed by O-rings), and out of the ports (*Figure 2*) which are attached to each individual bead clamp.

Figure 1



If the seals in the rotating manifold begin to dry out, the turntable will squeak when turning. To lubricate these seals without removing the turntable, activate the bead blast to blow out any dirt or other contaminants, then pour a small amount of MOBIL DTE LIGHT into one of the bead blast ports. Approximately 1 tablespoon of oil will be sufficient (*Figure 2*).

(Location of screw-in dipstick)

Figure 2

Recommended transmission lubricant is Mobil Gear Lube #626. Lubricant level may be checked by removing the screw-in dipstick located on the transmission. See the operator's manual or the parts list for dipstick location. The physical location of the transmission is shown in *Figure 3*. To completely fill a DRY TRANSMISSION requires approximately 2 cups (16 oz.) of lubricant.

To replace the O-ring seals in the manifold or on the main shaft of the transmission, remove the turntable and the pneumatic clamping cylinders, remove the air hoses leading to the manifold, and remove the top manifold. Remove the transmission. The O-rings can then be replaced.



Figure 3

The pneumatic turntable clamping cylinders may be rebuilt individually, or replaced as the need arises. See the parts reference exploded diagrams (pages 3-5 and 3-6).

Drive Belt Adjustment and Replacement

To adjust the drive belt, tighten or loosen the adjustment bolts located below the motor on the mounting *bracket (Figure 4*). The belt is properly adjusted when the belt deflects approximately 1/2" when the belt is pinched between the pulleys using moderate pressure.



Figure 4



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The drive belt may be removed without loosening the motor or changing the adjustment bolt setting. Roll the old belt off of the small (motor) pulley, hang the new belt on the large (transmission) pulley, and roll the new belt in place (*Figure 5*)

Figure 5

Should the motor start capacitor or the INTERNAL switch (in the motor) fail, the motor must be replaced or repaired at an authorized service center for the particular motor make and model. The motor actuating switch (mounted on the foot pedal assembly) must be replaced as a separate assembly (*Figure 6*). There are no repair parts for either of these assemblies available from the factory. The factory can supply complete new assemblies as required.



Figure 6

SLIDE ADJUSTMENTS

A RIM ONLY **must** be locked in place on the turntable during adjustments to the slide locking mechanisms. Set the vertical slide onto the outer edge of the rim as when mounting a tire and lock in place. Loosen the jam nut on the vertical slide lock plate stop bolt. Adjust the stop bolt until the slide retracts 0.060" to 0.075" from the rim when locked (*Figure 7* – mechanical systems, and *Figures 8, 9, & 10* – pneumatic systems).



Figure 7



Figure 8



Figure 9

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Figure 10

NOTE:

repositioned between adjustment attempts and relocked. Once the adjustment is correct, lock the stop bolts in place using the jam nuts. In general, the more travel the locking plate has, the more the slide will move when locked. This must be taken into account when performing adjustments on the slides.

ADJUSTMENT OF MECHANICAL COMPONENTS









Figure 12 (8990)

Figure 13 (8950/8960

- 2. High volume Dump Valve: No adjustment (clean only Figure 12 & 13).
- 3. Pneumatic Slide Locking Cylinders: no adjustment of cylinders. Retraction of head is adjusted by loosening or tightening clearances. In general, the more slack that exists in the locking plate, the more the mechanism will retract the slide. See *Figures 7 10* above).
- 4. Rim Clamp Cylinders: no adjustment.
- 5. Bead Blast: dependent on line air pressure to the unit no adjustment.
- 6. Bead Breaker: with bead breaker fully actuated, adjust the cylinder shaft head bolt until you see the outer fiber washer begin to compress. This adjustment prevents the plastic piston from bottoming out, and permits application of full pressure against the bead at any bead breaker opening (*Figure 14*).
- 7. Pneumatic pressure limiter: no adjustments or replacement parts. If this unit is faulty, replace as a complete assembly (*Figure 15*).



Figure 14

- 8. To remove the bead breaker cylinder (Figure 16),
 - remove the air lines from the cylinder
 - remove the adjusting nut (on the external end of the cylinder shaft.)
 - remove the pivot bolts.

The cylinder is now free to be removed from the machine. Parts are available for the cylinder. See Drawing 3-15, for a listing of parts.

To reinstall the bead breaker cylinder, reverse the above steps.

Fully Pneumatic Pressure Limiter



Figure 15



Figure 16

Safety Restraint Arm Adjustment

Air travels from the fully pneumatic pressure limiter through a cam operated safety valve located near the pivot point of the safety restraint arm (Figure 19) to the inflation hose. This valve must be operational and adjusted so air flows when the safety restraint arm is placed into an operating position.

The valve is mounted in a fixed position on the arm mount. The cam is mounted to the arm and is free to move with it (Figure 18). To adjust the cam, loosen the hex head set screw and turn the cam to the proper position on the pivot pin (Figure 17).



• Hex Head Set Screw

Figure 17



NOTE

Any time an explosion occurs on a system equipped with a safety restraint arm, the SRA assembly must be replaced as a unit, and the rest of the tire changer closely inspected for damage

IMPORTANT

Tire changers equipped with SRA devices <u>MUST</u> be anchored by the rear two mounting holes on the cabinet. Failure to mount the tire changer in this manner may result in the danger of overturning in the case of an explosion.

SERVICE TIPS

- The **Bead Breaker Arm** is shipped positioned vertically to conserve space. Install the bead breaker arm in its correct position prior to use of the machine, then install the two snap rings.
- The **Transmission Pulley** is placed relatively close to the tire changer housing. To replace the pulley, loosen the transmission mounting bolts and rotate the transmission on its shaft to allow access to and removal of the pulley.
- If replacement of the **Lower Manifold** is necessary the **Bead Blaster Hose Nipple** must be removed. To remove this nipple, first disconnect the hose at the dump valve, then twist the hose in a counterclockwise direction while it is still connected to the bead blast nipple.
- Corrosion in the **Bead Blast Dump Valve** will cause air to leak through the bead blast lines. Removing the plate on the bottom of the valve and clean the diaphragm. See *Figure J* in the text.
- Replacement of the **Drive Belt** can be done without adjusting the motor or transmission (see *Figure 5* in the text).
- A clogged Conical Filter within the air inlet to the tank will restrict air flow into the tank, and will cause poor performance of the machine.



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