

BICERA BEACON

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WHAT'S NEW AT BICERA VALVE?

There's always something new at Bicera Valve. Here's the latest scoop!

Once again, the wheels are turning here in NE Pennsylvania. It was below zero for much of last week, but yesterday was almost 60 degrees. Now, all that ice and snow that once covered the ground and streams are quickly melting and making their way to the Chesapeake Bay and eventually the Atlantic Ocean. Meanwhile, inside the confines of our building, we are busy filling orders and trying to keep stock levels up.

We recently implemented a total website refresh for Bicera Valve. While the new site is up and running, there are still some tweaks that need to be made, but I am excited to see the finished product and hope to hear some positive feedback from our customers. So, if you visit our site in the next few weeks and notice some changes, please reach out to us and let us know what you think. Our customers are the whole reason for the update, so making it work for them is priority #1.

Globe Trotting

2018 saw an abundance of travel for the Bicera team, both domestic and abroad. There were trips to China, Germany, and the Czech Republic, as well as trips to Louisiana, Texas, and Illinois.

This year will prove no different, as there are already plans for trips back to China and the Czech Republic as well as Louisiana. If anyone taking the time to read this would like a visit or to see us, please let us know by emailing us at sales@pennstroy.com or by calling (800) 232-4442. We would be happy to work out a plan that works for everyone. You can also pay attention to your inbox for updates from Bicera on shows that we will be attending around the globe. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Product Spotlight

Bicera Valve Disassembly Tools

If you have the larger size Bicera crankcase explosion relief valves (10RD, 12RD, and 16RD), your spring is large enough that the pressure it creates can be dangerous when disassembling your valves for any repairs. The Bicera Disassembly and Testing Tool aids in containing this pressure, allowing the user to safely and effectively complete any repairs or pressure testing. Call 800-232-4442 or email sales@pennstroy.com and tell us about your needs. You can now visit our e-store at www.store.pennstroy.com and select your tools from our complete list.



► Employee Recognition Corner



Mark Wilcox (Poppa Smurf)

Welder / Machine Operator

How long have you worked at Penn-Troy?

4 ½ years

What are your position and common daily duties?

Welder / Machine Operator

What do you like most about your job?

The work environment and the steady work

What are your hobbies?

Making horseshoe art, hunting, and raising goats, chickens, and cows

Do you have a vacation ritual or location?

No

What is your favorite movie?

Red Dawn / Quigley Down Under

Any bucket list item(s) you care to share?

Go on a hunting trip

Do you have any hidden talents?

I've got nothing to hide

Family?

Married for 4 ½ years. I have 2 sons and 2 stepchildren

How do you unwind outside of work?

Relax on my back deck with a cup of coffee

► Volume 5 Bicara Contest

Anyone wishing to participate in our contest should email a picture of any of our products in the field to sales@penntroy.com. Please use the word "CONTEST" in the subject line.

All correct entries will be contacted and given a choice of prizes to be mailed out shortly thereafter.

*No names and/or locations will be published. No entries will be used in future issues without consent.



▶ A Message from the President

Welcome back to the *Bicera Beacon*. It has been quite a winter here at Penn-Troy, between large snows and polar vortexes. To top it off, our little town has had three water main breaks in the past month. One break resulted in our company being without water for almost a week! As I looked at the tubs of non-potable water we had delivered for basic necessities, I thought about how a situation like this would not be acceptable on a ship. It's true that I haven't lived on a ship for an extended period of time. I did, however, live with my parents, two brothers and sister on a sailboat for two weeks as a child, and I am sure the added stress of water failure would have resulted in an immediate return to shore. And if my father had resisted giving up his dream trip, I think my mother would have mutinied!

There is no doubt that everything must be well maintained and inspected when out at sea, which is why we bring that mentality to our facility here at Penn-Troy. Every BICERA Valve on your engine is inspected top to bottom before shipment, and we encourage you to call with any maintenance questions, as we are more than happy to help you. Thank you again for choosing BICERA valve, your partner in engine safety.

Sincerely,

Mark Powers

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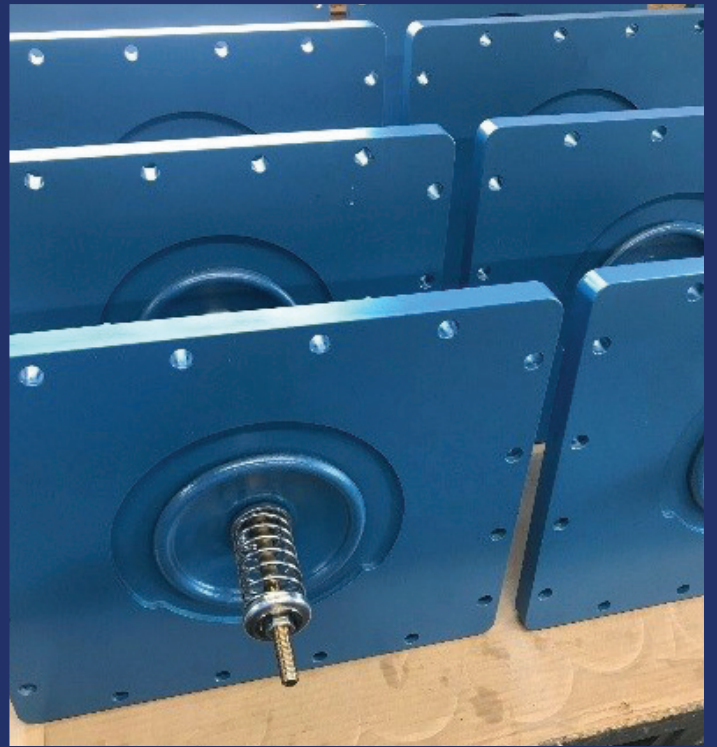
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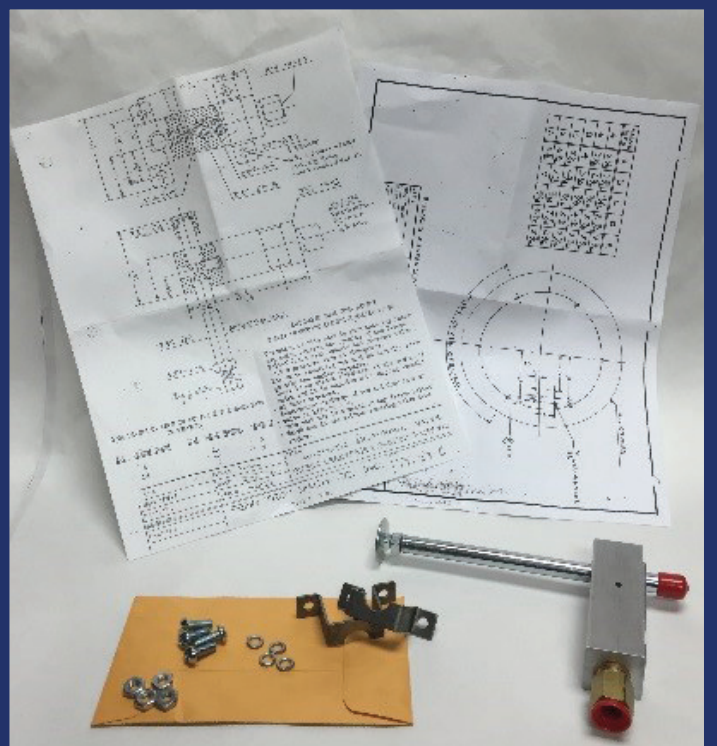
Scrap metal to be recycled



Bicera valves integrated into custom inspection doors



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Automatic shutdown device

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