# SEARS OWNERS MANUAL

MODEL NO. C944.629450

Caution: Read Rules for Safe Operation and Instructions Carefully



# CRAFTSMAN 5 H.P. CRT 17 INCH REAR TINE TILLER WITH COUNTER ROTATING TINES

Assembly
Operation
Maintenance
Repair and Adjustment
Repair Parts

# LIMITED TWO YEAR WARRANTY ON CRAFTSMAN TILLER

For two years from date of purchase, when this Tiller is maintained, lubricated, and tuned up according to the operating and maintenance instructions in the owner's manual, Sears will repair free of charge any defect in material or workmanship.

This Warranty excludes Tine(s), Spark Plug, Air Cleaner and Belt(s) which are expendable parts and become worn during normal use.

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## For Optional Attachments see your Sears Catalog

## MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

A Sears Maintenance Agreement is available on this product. Contact your nearest Sears store for details.

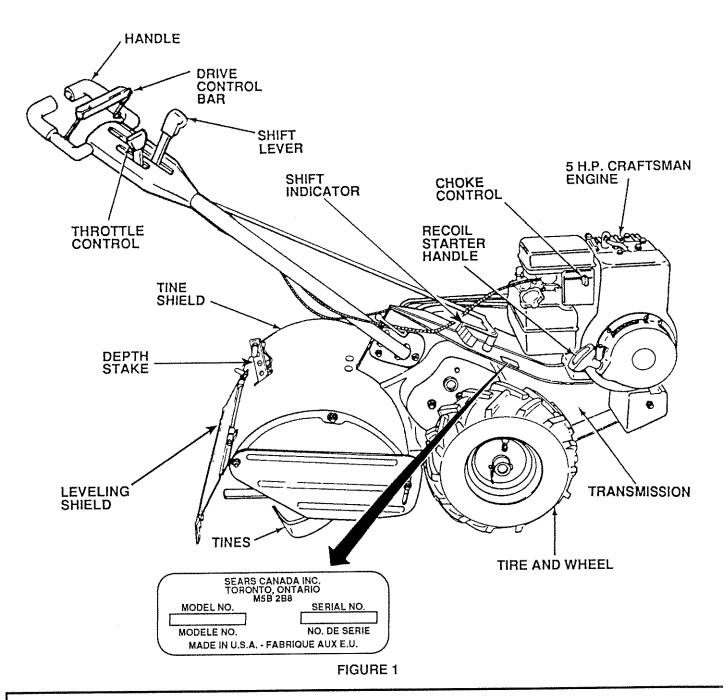
#### -NOTE-

This unit is equipped with an internal combustion engine and should not be used on or near any unimproved forest covered, brush-covered or grass covered land unless the engine's exhaust system is equipped with a spark arreste meeting applicable local or state laws (if any). If a spark arrester is used, it should be maintained in effective working order by the operator.

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# KNOW YOUR TILLER



MODEL NUMBER	THE MODEL AND SERIAL NUMBERS WILL BE FOUND ON THE MODEL PLATE ATTACHED TO
	THE TOP OF THE TRANSMISSION (FIG. 1).
SERIAL	
NUMBER	YOU SHOULD RECORD BOTH MODEL AND SERIAL NUMBERS AND KEEP IN A SAFE PLACE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

# RULES FOR SAFE OPERATION

- KNOW YOUR TILLER. Become familiar with all the different sections of this Owner's Manual before attempting to operate your Tiller. Know the controls and how to stop quickly.
- ALWAYS KEEP HANDS AND FEET AWAY FROM ROTATING TINES AND OTHER DRIVEN PARTS. Always wear substantial footwear. Do not wear loose fitting clothing that could get caught in moving parts.
- LIMIT YOUR TILLER'S USE TO TRAINED ADULTS.
   Do not allow children to operate your Tiller. Keep bystanders and pets away from the area when you are operating your Tiller.
- MAKE SURE THE AREA IS CLEAR of bottles, stones, wire, and other hazardous items before tilling.
- HANDLE FUEL WITH CARE; it is highly flammable. Never add fuel to a running or hot engine or fill tank indoors. Turn engine off and let your engine cool before refueling.

Fuel Tank Cap must be secure at all times except when refueling.

Do not smoke while refueling.

Fuel your Tiller in a clean area.

Avoid spilling gasoline or oil. Wipe the Tiller clean of any spilled fuel or oil.

Do not operate Engine if Air Cleaner or Cover Directly over Carburetor Air Intake is removed, except for adjustment. Removal of such part could create a fire hazard.

Store your Tiller fuel and oil in approved containers away from heat or open flame and out of reach of children.

 USE YOUR TILLER PROPERLY. Before starting the Engine make sure the Drive Control Bar is in "STOP" position. Operate your Tiller up and down the face of slopes (not greater than 15°): never across the face. Make turns gradually to prevent tipping or loss of control. Exercise extreme caution when changing direction on slopes.

Do not run Engine indoors, exhaust fumes are poisonous.

Never operate product when tired or fatigued. Always operate product with extreme care with your own safety in mind. Carelessness or misuse could lead to severe injury.

Before removing obstacles, transporting your Tiller, or when making any adjustments except Carburetor, make sure Drive Control Bar is in "STOP" position. Stop Engine before leaving the operating position. Disconnect Spark Plug Wire from Spark Plug.

- 7. ALLOW THE ENGINE ON YOUR TILLER TO COOL before performing any maintenance or adjustments, transporting your Tiller or storing your Tiller in any enclosure. Never store your Tiller with fuel in the tank inside a building where fumes may reach an open flame or spark.
- 8. **BE SURE TILLER IS IN GOOD WORKING ORDER.** Keep all nuts, bolts and screws tight to be sure your Tiller is in safe working condition.

Do not change governor settings or over speed your Engine.

Do not tamper with the exhaust system. Damaged Mufflers or Spark Arresters could create a fire hazard. Inspect periodically and replace if necessary. Your Tiller must be stopped and inspected for damage after striking a foreign object. The damage must be repaired before restarting or operating your Tiller.

 YOUR TILLER HAS BEEN DESIGNED WITH YOUR SAFETY AND CONVENIENCE IN MIND. Keep all safety devices in place and do not alter your Tiller.



LOOK FOR THIS SYMBOL TO POINT OUT IMPORTANT SAFETY PRECAUTIONS. IT MEANS -- ATTENTION! BECOME ALERT! YOUR SAFETY IS INVOLVED.

CAUTION: LOOK FOR THIS WORD TO POINT OUT IMPORTANT EQUIPMENT PRECAUTIONS.

NOTE: Look for this word to point out important information about the operation and performance of your tiller.

# ASSEMBLY

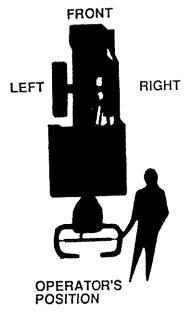
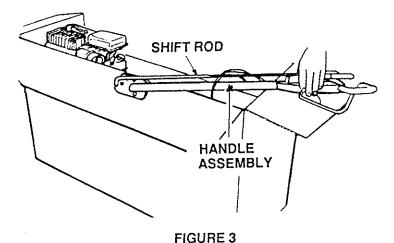
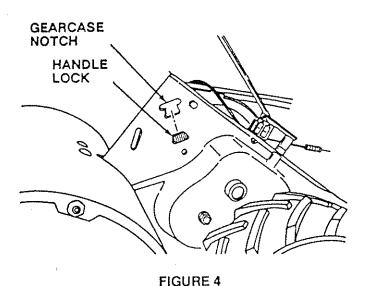


FIGURE 2





TO ASSEMBLE YOUR TILLER YOU WILL NEED:

- (1) UTILITY KNIFE
- (1) SCREWDRIVER
- (1) WIRE CUTTER
- (1) 9/16" WRENCH (1) RATCHET
- (1) TIRE PRESSURE GUAGE (1) PAIR OF PLIERS
- (1) SOCKET EXTENSION
- (1) 9/16" SOCKET

NOTE: The right hand (R.H.) and left hand (R.H.) sides of your Tiller are determined from the Operator's Position while standing behind Tiller (Fig. 2).

YOUR BAG OF PARTS WILL CONSIST OF THE FOL-LOWING:

- (1) Owners Manual
- (2) Carriage Bolts 3/8 16 UNC x 1 Gr. 5
- (2) Centerlock Nuts 3/8 x 16 UNC
- (1) Cable Clip
- (1) Handle Lock Lever
- (1) Flat Washer, 13/32 x 1 x 11 Ga.
- (2) Handle Locks
- (2) Hairpin Clips

#### UNPACKING CARTON

- a. While holding Handle Assembly, cut Cable Ties securing Handle Assembly to Top Frame and Depth Stake. Let Handle Assembly rest on Tiller.
- b. Remove Top Frame of carton.
- c. Cut down right hand front and right hand rear corners of Carton, fold out and down.
- d. Slowly ease Handle Assembly up and place on top of Carton. BE CAREFUL NOT TO STRETCH OR KINK CABLES (Fig. 3).
- e. Remove packing material and Shift Rod from Handle Assembly.

#### 2. INSTALL HANDLE

Insert one Handle Lock (with teeth facing OUT-WARD) in Gearcase Notch (Fig. 4). Handle Locks shipped in Bag of Parts.

NOTE: Apply grease on smooth side of Handle Lock. This will aid in keeping Lock in place until Handle is lowered into position.

 Grasp Handle Assembly, ease Handle Base into "UP" position as shown in Fig. 5. Be sure Handle Lock remains in Gearcase Notch.

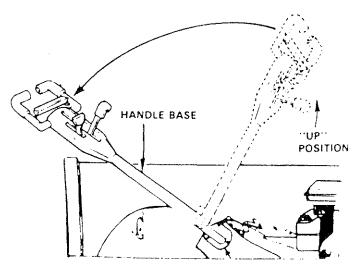


FIGURE 5

NOTE: Be careful not to stretch or kink Cables.

c. Rotate Handle Assembly down to install two Carriage Bolts and Lock Nuts (shipped in Bag of Parts).

NOTE: Insert rear Carriage Bolt (Fig. 6) first, with head of Bolt on L.H. side of Tiller. Lower the Handle Assembly. Tighten Bolts so Handle moves with some resistance.

- Insert second Handle Lock (with teeth INWARD) in slot Handle Base (Fig. 6-Inset).
- e. Place Washer (shipped in Bag of Parts) on threaded end of Handle Lock Lever.
- Insert Handle Lock Lever through Handle Base and Gearcase (Fig. 6-Inset).
- g. With Handle Assembly in lowest position, securely tighten Handle Lock Lever by rotating clockwise ( ). Leaving Handle Assembly in lowest position will make it easier to remove Tiller from Carton.

#### 3. CONNECT SHIFT ROD

- Insert end of Shift Rod fartherest from bend into hole of Shift Lever Indicator.
- Swing Shift Rod to the right side of Tiller and insert one of two Hairpin Clips through hole of Shift Rod (Fig. 6). Hairpin Clip shipped in Bag of Parts.
- Insert remaining end of Shift Rod into hole in Shift Lever (Fig. 5).
- Insert second Hairpin Clip, shipped in Bag of Parts, through hole of Shift Rod.

#### 4. REMOVE TILLER FROM CRATE

- Make sure Shift Lever Indicator (Fig. 6) is in "N" Neutral position.
- b. Tilt Tiller forward by lifting Handle. Seperate cardboard cover from leveling shield.
- Rotate Tiller Handle to the right and pull Tiller out of Carton.

#### 5. TIRE PRESSURE

Reduce Tire pressure to 20 PSI (Tires were overinflated for shipping purposes). If Tire pressures are not equal, Tiller will pull to one side.

#### 6. CABLE CLIP

Insert Plastic Cable Clip (shipped in Bag of Parts) into hole on the back of Handle Assembly. Push Cables into Clip (Fig. 7).



BE CAREFUL OF EXPOSED STAPLES WHEN DISPOSING OF CARTONING MATERIAL.

#### 7. ADJUSTMENTS

Refer to Repair and Adjustments Section to adjust Handle height (pg. 16).

# **ASSEMBLY**

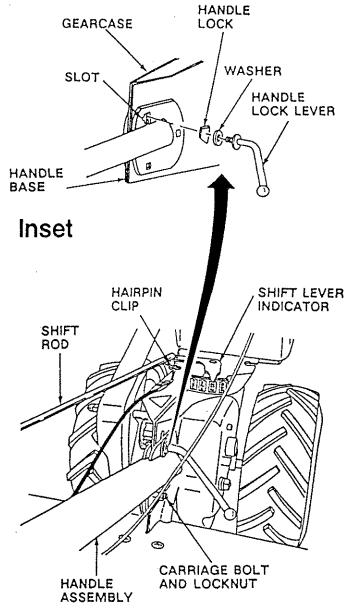


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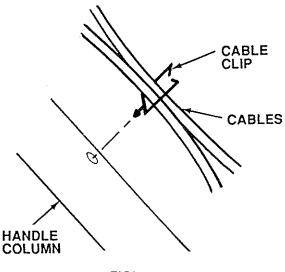


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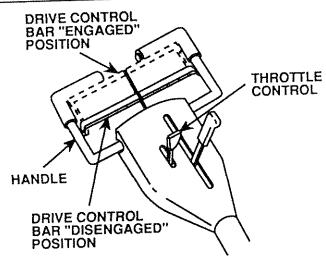
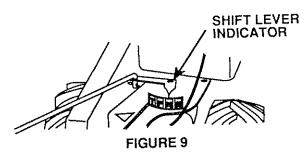


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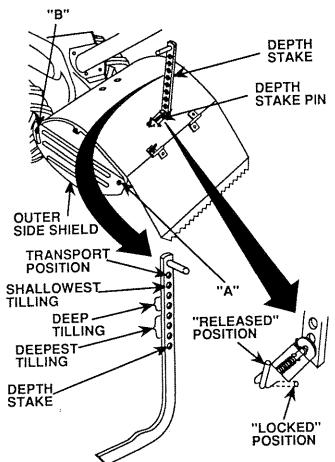


FIGURE 10

NOTE: Before operating your Tiller for the first time, study this section, "Know Your Tiller" on page 4, and the "Rules for Safe Operation" on page 5.

#### 1. TINE OPERATION

- a. Move Throttle Control to desired speed.
- b. Tine movement begins when Drive Control Bar is in the "ENGAGED" position (Fig. 8).

NOTE: Always release Drive Control Bar before moving Shift Lever into another position.

#### 2. REVERSE

- a. Release the Drive Control Bar (Fig. 8).
- b. Move Throttle Control (Fig. 8) to "SLOW" speed.
- c. Place Shift Lever Indicator (Fig. 9) in the "R" Reverse position.
- d. DO NOT STAND DIRECTLY BEHIND TILLER.
- e. Hold the Drive Control Bar against the Handle (Fig. 9) to start Tiller movement. Tines will not turn.



DON'T BACK YOURSELF INTO A SOLID OBSTRUCTION SUCH AS A TREE, FENCE, ETC.

#### TILLING

- a. Release the Depth Stake Pin (Fig. 10-Inset B). Pull the Depth Stake up for increased tilling depth. Place Depth Stake Pin in hole of Depth Stake to lock in position (Fig. 10-Inset A).
- Place Shift Lever Indicator (Fig. 9) in the "T" Tilling position.
- Hold the Drive Control Bar against the Handle (Fig. 8) to start tilling movement. Tines and wheels will both turn.
- d. Move Throttle Control (Fig. 8) to "FAST" position for deep tilling. For cultivating move Throttle Control to desired speed.



ALWAYS RELEASE DRIVE CONTROL BAR BEFORE MOVING SHIFT LEVER INTO ANOTHER POSITION.

#### 4. STOPPING TINES AND ENGINE

- TILLER MOVEMENT AND TINES WILL STOP WHEN DRIVE CONTROL BAR (FIG. 8) IS RE-LEASED.
- Move Shift Lever Indicator (Fig. 8) to "N" Neutral position.
- c. To stop Engine, move Throttle Control (Fig. 8) to "STOP" position.

#### TURNING

- a. Release the Drive Control Bar (Fig. 8).
- b. Move Throttle Control (Fig. 8) to "SLOW" speed.
- Place Shift Lever Indicator (Fig. 9) in the "F" Forward position. Tines will not turn.
- d. Lift Handle to raise Tines out of ground.

e. Swing the handle in the opposite direction you wish to turn, being careful to keep feet and legs away from Tines.

When you have completed your turn-around, lower the Handle. Place Shift Lever in "T" Tilling position and move Throttle Control to desired speed. To begin tilling, hold Drive Control Bar against the Handle.

#### 6. CHECK ENGINE OIL LEVEL

- a. With Engine level, remove Engine Oil Filler Plug (Fig. 11).
- Engine oil should be to point of almost overflowing (Fig. 11). Engine oil capacity is about 1-1/4 pints (20 ounces).

NOTE: Be very careful not to allow dirt to enter the Engine when checking or adding oil or fuel. Use clean 30 or 10W-30 weight oil (Type SD, SE, or SF) and store in approved, clean covered containers. (Do not use pressurized starting fluid as severe internal damage may occur due to loss of lubrication).

#### 7. FILL FUEL TANK

To fill Fuel Tank (Fig. 12), use fresh, clean regular unleaded automotive gasoline. Capacity is about 3 quarts.



FILL TO WITHIN 1/2 INCH OF TOP OF FUEL TANK TO PREVENT SPILLS AND TO ALLOW FOR FUEL EXPANSION. IF GASOLINE IS ACCIDENTLY SPILLED, MOVE MACHINE AWAY FROM AREA OF SPILL. AVOID CREATING ANY SOURCE OF IGNITION UNTIL GASO-LINE VAPORS HAVE DISAPPEARED.

CAUTION: EXPERIENCE INDICATES THAT ALCOHOL BLENDED FUELS (CALLED GASOHOL OR USING ETHANOL OR METHANOL) CAN ATTRACT MOISTURE WHICH LEADS TO SEPARATION AND FORMATION OF ACIDS DURING STORAGE. ACIDIC GAS CAN DAMAGE THE FUEL SYSTEM OF AN EN-GINE WHILE IN STORAGE.

> TO AVOID ENGINE PROBLEMS, THE FUEL SYSTEM SHOULD BE EMPTIED BEFORE STORAGE OF 30 DAYS OR LONGER. DRAIN THE GAS TANK, START THE ENGINE AND LET IT RUN UNTIL THE FUEL LINES AND CARBURETOR ARE EMPTY. USE FRESH FUEL NEXT SEASON. SEE STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS FOR ADDI-TIONAL INFORMATION.

> NEVER USE ENGINE OR CARBURETOR CLEANER PRODUCTS IN THE FUEL TANK OR PERMANENT DAMAGE MAY OCCUR.

# **OPERATION**

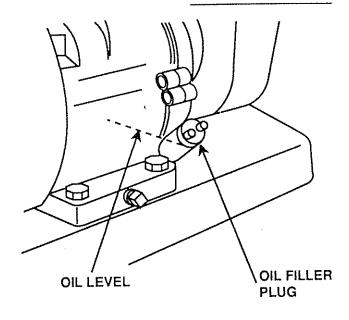


FIGURE 11

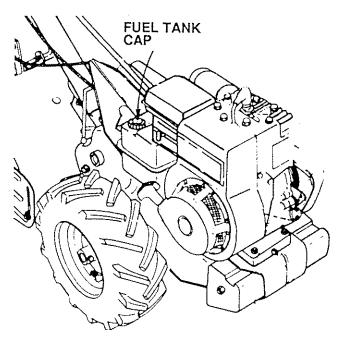


FIGURE 12

#### 8. STARTING THE ENGINE



KEEP THE DRIVE CONTROL BAR IN "OFF" POSITION (FIG. 8) WHEN STARTING ENGINE.

- a. Connect Spark Plug Wire. (Fig. 13).
- b. Move Shift Lever Indicator to "N" Neutral position (Fig. 14-Inset A).
- c. Place Throttle Control in "FAST" position.
- d. Place Choke Control Lever In "CHOKE" position (Fig. 13).
- e. Grasp Starter Handle (Fig. 13) with one hand and grasp Handle Bar with other hand. Pull Rope out slowly until Engine reaches start of Compression Cycle (Rope will pull slightly harder at this point).
- f. Pull Rope with a rapid, continuous, full arm stroke. Keep a firm grip on Starter Handle and let Rope rewind slowly. Do not Let Starter Handle snap back against Starter.
- g. Repeat preceding instructions (d) and (e) until Engine fires. When Engine starts, place Choke Control Lever on Engine halfway between "CHOKE" and "RUN" position (Fig. 13) and then to "RUN" position as Engine warms up.
- Move Throttle Control halfway between "FAST" and "STOP" position for a few minutes to warm up.

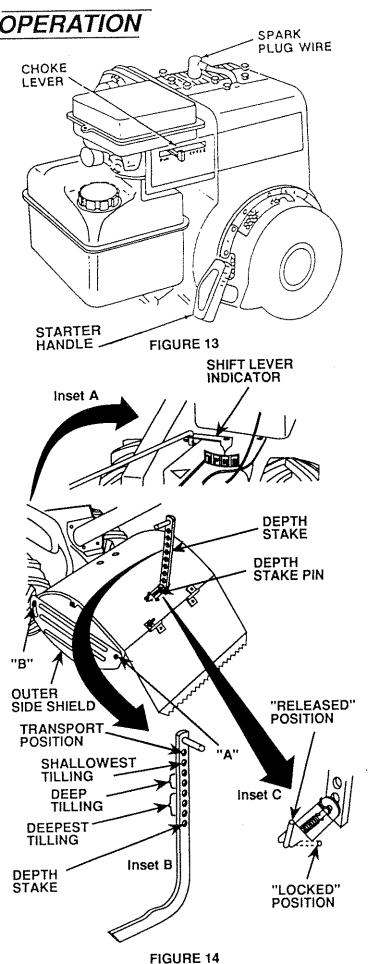
NOTE: In order to idle smoothly, a new Engine may require 3 to 5 minutes running time above slow idle speed. Idle speed has been adjusted to be correct after this break-in period.

#### 9. OUTER SIDE SHIELDS

The front of the Outer Side Shields (Fig. 10) is slotted so that they can be raised for deep tilling and lowered for shallow tilling to protect small plants from being buried. Loosen Nut "A" in slot and Nut "B" (Fig. 9). Move Shield to desired position (both sides). Retighten Nuts.

#### 10. TRANSPORTING

- a. Release the Depth Stake Pin (Fig. 14-Inset C). Move the Depth Stake (Fig. 14-Inset B) down to the top hole for transporting the Tiller. Place Depth Stake Pin in hole of Depth Stake to lock in position (Fig. 14-Inset C). This prevents Tines from scuffing the ground.
- Place Shift Lever Indicator (Fig. 14-Inset A) in "F" Forward position for transporting.
- Hold the Drive Control against the Handle to start Tiller Movement. Tines will not turn,
- d. Move Throttle Control to desired speed.



#### 11. TILLING HINTS

- a. Tilling is digging into, turning over, and breaking up packed soil before planting. Loose, unpacked soil helps root growth. Best tilling depth is 4" to 6". A Tiller will also clear the soil of unwanted vegetation. The decomposition of this vegetable matter enriches the soil. Depending on the climate (rainfall and wind), it may be advisable to till the soil at the end of the growing season to further condition the soil.
- b. Soil conditions are important for proper tilling. Tines will not readily penetrate dry, hard soil which may contribute to excessive bounce and difficult handling of your Tiller. Hard soil should be moistened before tilling; however, extremely wet soil will "ball-up" or clump during tilling. Wait until the soil is less wet in order to achieve the best results. When tilling in the fall, remove vines and long grass to prevent them from wrapping around the Tine Shaft and slowing your tilling operation.
- c. For easier handling of your Tiller, leave about 8 inches of untilled soil between the first and second tilling passes. The third pass will be between the first and second (Fig. 15).
- d. Do not lean on the Handle. This takes weight off the wheels and reduces traction. To get through a really tough section of sod or hard ground, apply upward pressure on handle or lower the Depth Stake.

#### 12. CULTIVATING

Cultivating is destroying the weeds between rows to prevent them from robbing nourishment and moisture from the plants. At the same time, breaking up the upper layer of soil crust will help retain moisture in the soil. Best digging depth is 1" to 3". Lower Outer Side Shields to protect small plants from being buried.

Cultivate up and down the rows at a speed which will allow tines to uproot weeds and leave the ground in rough condition, promoting on further growth of weeds and grass (Fig. 16).

- Place blocks under right hand side of Tiller and remove Hairpin Clip and Retainer Pin from right hand Wheel (Fig. 17).
- Move Wheel outward approximately 1 inch until hole in inner wheel hub lines up with inner hole in axle.
- Replace Retainer Pin and Hairpin Clip on inside of Wheel (Fig. 18) and remove blocks.
- d. Repeat steps a, b, and c on left hand side.

NOTE: In extremely rough conditions and while cultivating, the Wheels should be moved out-ward on the Axle for increased stability.

## **OPERATION**

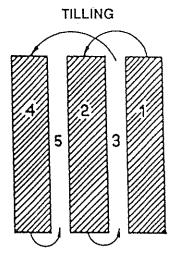


FIGURE 15

#### CULTIVATING

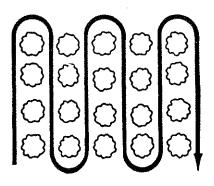
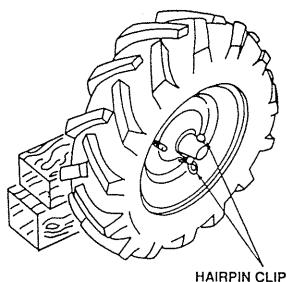


FIGURE 16



AND RETAINING PIN

FIGURE 17

# **OPERATION**

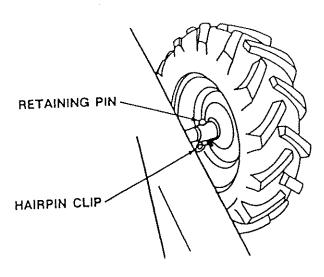


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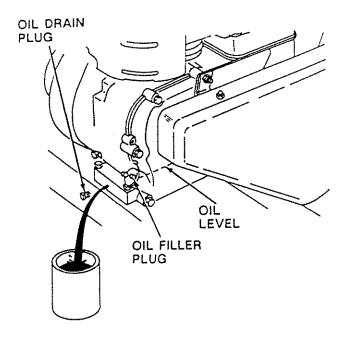


FIGURE 19

## 13. WINTER OPERATION (under 32° F)

## a. ENGINE LUBRICATION

- For winter operation, Engine oil must be changed before the temperature drops below 32° F. Drain the Engine oil while Engine is warm (Fig. 19).
- Refill with new oil. Use oil labeled 5W30.

#### b. FUEL

Use fresh, clean, regular unleaded automotive gasoline. Capacity is about 2 quarts.

- c. COLD WEATHER STARTING HINTS:
  - Be sure to use the proper oil and gasoline.
  - Keep Drive Control Bar in "OFF" position when starting the Engine.
  - Set Throttle Control at medium to fast position.
     Use full Choke for starting. Slowly move Choke Lever to "RUN" position as Engine warms up.

NOTE: Be sure to change Engine oil back to S.A.E. 30 or 10W30) for spring Tilling (see page 9).

DISCONNECT SPARK PLUG WIRE FROM SPARK PLUG BEFORE PERFORMING ANY MAINTENANCE (EXCEPT CARBURETOR ADJUSTMENT) TO PREVENT ACCIDENTAL STARTING OF ENGINE.



PREVENT FIRES! KEEP THE ENGINE FREE OF GRASS, LEAVES, SPILLED OIL, OR FUEL. REMOVE FUEL FROM TANK BEFORE TIPPING UNIT FOR MAINTENANCE. CLEAN MUFFLER AREA OF ALL GRASS, DIRT, AND DEBRIS.

DO NOT TOUCH HOT MUFFLER OR CYLINDER FINS AS CONTACT MAY CAUSE BURNS.

#### COOLING SYSTEM

Your Engine is air cooled. For proper Engine performance and long life KEEP YOUR ENGINE CLEAN.

- Clean Air Screen (Fig. 20) frequently using a stiff bristled brush.
- Remove Blower Housing (Fig. 20) and clean as necessary.
- c. Keep Cylinder Fins (Fig. 20) free of dirt and chaff.

#### 2. AIR CLEANER

Clean Air Cleaner Cartridge every twenty-five hours, more often if Engine is used in very dusty conditions:

- Loosen Air Cleaner Screws, one on each side of cover (Fig. 21).
- b. Remove Air Cleaner Cover (Fig. 21).
- c. Carefully remove Air Cleaner Cartridge (Fig. 21).

NOTE: Be careful. Do not allow dirt or debris to fall into carburetor.

 d. Clean Air Cleaner Cartridge by tapping gently on a flat surface, If very dirty replace Cartridge. DO NOT USE PRESSURIZED AIR TO CLEAN OR DRY CARTRIDGE.

NOTE: Air Cleaner uses a dry, paper type cartridge. Do not try to wash with fluid. Never run Engine without Air Cleaner Cartridge.

e. Re-install Air Cleaner Cartridge and Cover. Tighten Screws securely.

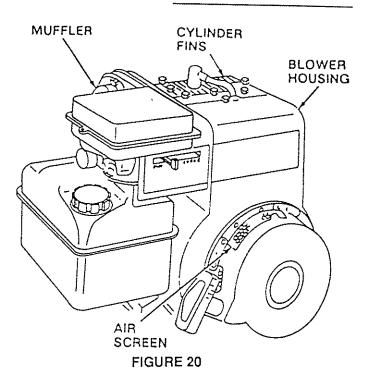
#### 3. MUFFLER

Do not operate Tiller without muffler (Fig. 20). Do not tamper with exhaust system. Damaged Mufflers or Spark Arresters could create a fire hazard. Inspect periodically and replace if necessary. If your Engine is equipped with a Spark Arrester Screen Assembly, remove every 50 Hours for cleaning and inspection. Replace if damaged.

#### 4. SPARK PLUG

- The Spark Plug (Fig.22) should be changed every 50 hours of operation or at the beginning of every tilling season.
- Reset gap at .030 (Fig. 22). Order Spark Plug listed in the Repair Parts Section of this Manual.

# MAINTENANCE



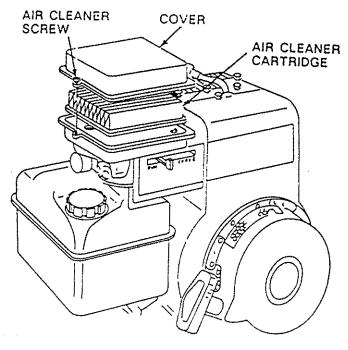
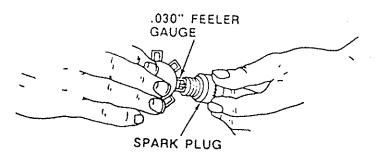
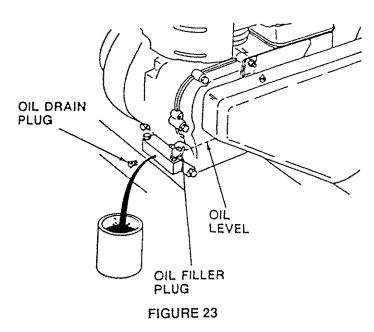


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# MAINTENANCE



**MUFFLER** 

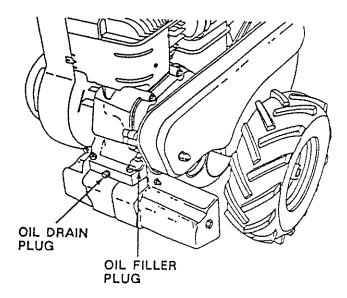


FIGURE 24



SPARKING CAN OCCUR IF SPARK PLUG WIRE TERMINAL DOES NOT FIT FIRMLY ON SPARK PLUG. REFORM TERMINAL IF NECESSARY.

## 5. ENGINE LUBRICATION

Your four cycle Engine will normally consume some oil, therefore check Engine oil level regularly—approximately every five hours of operation and before each usage. Stop Engine and wait several minutes before checking oil level. With Engine level the oil must be even with Oil Fill (Fig. 23). Change Engine oil after the first two hours of operation and every twenty five hours thereafter or at the beginning of every tilling season.

- a. Drain oil while Engine is warm.
  - Remove Oil Drain Plug (Fig. 23).
  - Tip Tiller forward and catch oil in a suitable container.
  - When Engine is drained of all oil, replace Drain Plug (Fig. 24).
- b. Refill with fresh SAE 30 or SAE 10W-30 weight oil. (See pg. 9 for oil specifications; also see page 12 for winter operation).

#### 6. TRANSMISSION

Your Transmission is sealed and will not require lubrication.

#### 7. FINISH

Keep your Tiller finish and wheels free of gasoline, oil, etc. Protect painted surfaces with automotive type wax.

#### STORAGE

Keep your Tiller in a weatherproof, dry building. It is important to prevent gum deposits from forming in essential fuel system parts such as the Carburetor or Tank during storage. Also, experience indicates that alcohol blended fuels (called gasohol or using ethanol or methanol) can attract moisture which leads to separation and formation of acids during storage. Acidic gas can damage the fuel system of an Engine while in storage. To avoid Engine problems, the fuel system should be emptied before storage for 30 days or longer.

- a. Drain Fuel Tank, run Engine until gasoline in Carburetor is used.
- While Engine is still warm, drain oil from Engine.
   Refill with fresh oil (Fig. 23).
- Remove Spark Plug, pour one half ounce of clean engine oil into cylinder. Pull Starter Handle slowly several times to distribute oil. Replace Spark Plug.
- d. Clean entire Tiller, especially Cylinder Fins, Blower Housing and Air Screen. Tighten all bolts and nuts (Fig. 20, pg. 13).

Gasoline stored for several months will lose its volatility (ability to burn effectively): therefore, always use up gasoline at the end of the season. Do not store, spill or use gasoline near an open flame or devices such as a stove, furnace or water heater which utilize a pilot light, or devices that can create a spark.



# **LUBRICATION CHART - OIL PIVOT POINTS**

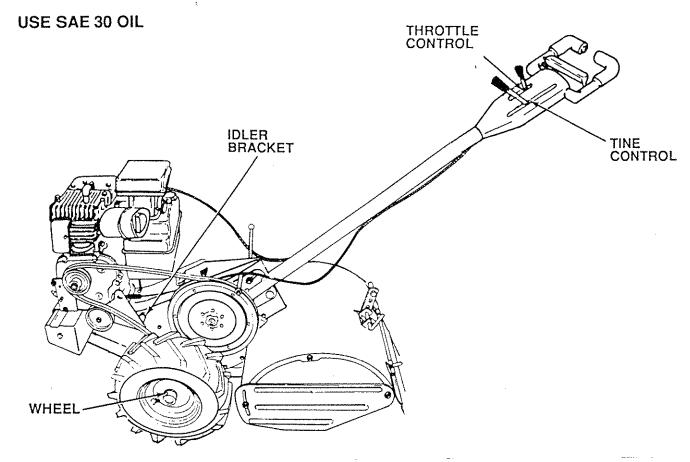
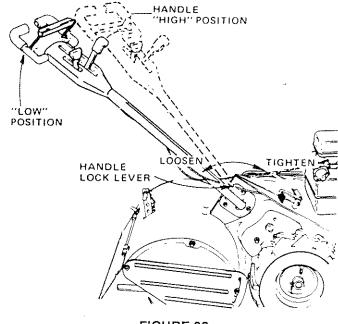


FIGURE 25

MAINTENANCE CHECK LIST SERVICE RECORD				\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	\\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\	\\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\		/						
FILL IN DATES AS YOU COMPLETE REGULAR SERVICE	24 G.			15/18/18	\$\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\		/		SE	ERV	ICE I	DAT	ES	
Check Engine Oil Level	9	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>											
Change Engine Oil	14	<b>V</b>	ŀ	<b>\</b>										
Oil Pivot points	15		<b>✓</b>											
Inspect Spark Arrester Muffler	13				<b>\</b>									
Inspect Air Screen	13	<b>V</b>												
Clean Air Cleaner	13			<b>\</b>										
Clean Engine Cylinder Fins	13			V										
Replace Spark Plug	13				<b>✓</b>									

## REPAIR AND ADJUSTMENT



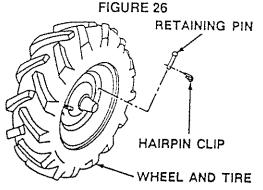
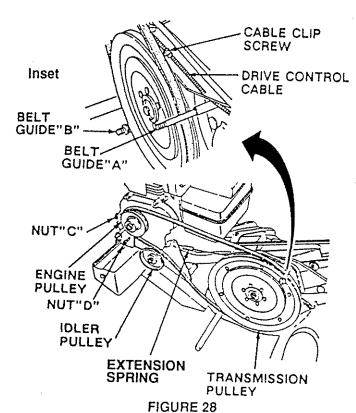


FIGURE 27



#### 1. POSITION HANDLE

Loosen Handle Lock Lever(fig. 26). Handle can be positioned at different settings between "HIGH" and "LOW" positions (fig. 26). Retighten Handle Lock Lever

NOTE: Select Handle height suitable for you and your tilling conditions. Handle height will change when tiller digs into the soil.

#### 2. TIRE CARE

- Maintain 20 pounds of Tire pressure. If Tire pressures are not equal, tiller will pull to one side.
- Keep Tires free of gasoline or oil which can damage rubber.
- c. Removing Wheel and Tire for repair (Fig. 27).
  - 1. Block up Tiller securely.
    - 2. Remove Hairpin Clip and Retaining Pin.
    - 3. Remove Wheel and Tire.
    - 4. Repair Tire and reassemble.



WHEN MOUNTING TIRES, UNLESS BEADS ARE SEATED, OVER INFLATION CAN CAUSE AN EXPLOSION.



STOP THE ENGINE AND REMOVE THE SPARK PLUG WIRE FROM THE SPARK PLUG BEFORE CLEANING OUT THE TINES BY HAND. USE CAUTION - TINES ARE SHARP.

CAUTION: PLACE BLOCKS UNDER TRANSMISSION TO KEEP TILLER FROM TIPPING.

#### 3. GROUND DRIVE BELT ADJUSTMENT

For proper belt tension, the Extension Spring (Fig. 28) should have about 5/8 inch stretch with Drive Control Bar in ENGAGED position. This tension can be obtained as follows:

- a. Loosen Cable Clip Screw securing the Drive Control Cable (Fig. 28-Inset).
- Slide Cable forward for less tension and rearward for more tension until about 5/8 inch stretch is obtained.

#### 4. GROUND DRIVE BELT REPLACEMENT

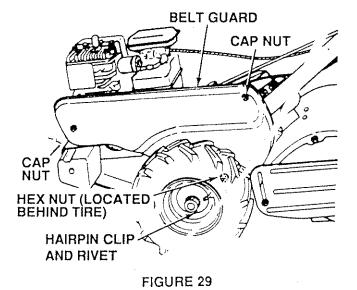
- a. Block up Tiller securely.
- Remove Hairpin Clip and Retaining Pin (Fig. 29) from Hub of left hand Wheel. Pull Wheel out from Tiller about 1-1/2 inches.
- c. Remove Belt Guard by removing two (2) Cap Nuts, one (1) Hex Nut and three (3) Washers so that the Belt Guard can slide straight out away from the engine (fig. 29).
- d. Loosen Belt Guides "A" and "B" (Fig. 28-Inset) and also Nuts "C" and "D" (Fig. 28).
- Remove old Belts by slipping from Idler Pulley (Fig. 28) first.
- f. Place new Belt in groove of Transmission Pulley (large pulley) and into groove of Engine Pulley(Fig. 28). BELT MUST BE IN GROOVE ON TOP OF IDLER PULLEY (FIG. 28). NOTE POSITION OF BELT TO GUIDES.
- g. Tighten Belt Guides "A" and "B" (Fig. 28 inset) and Nuts "C" and "D" (Fig. 28).
- h. Replace Belt Guard, Washers, Cap Nuts, and Hex Nut (Fig. 29).
- Reposition Wheel and replace Retaining Pin and Hairpin Clip.

#### TINE REPLACEMENT

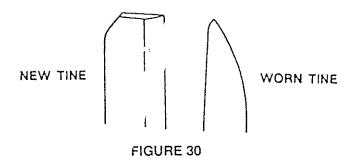
A badly worn Tine causes your Tiller to work harder and dig more shallow. Most important, worn Tines cannot chop and shred organic matter as effectively nor bury it as deeply as good Tines. A Tine this worn (Fig. 30) needs to be replaced.

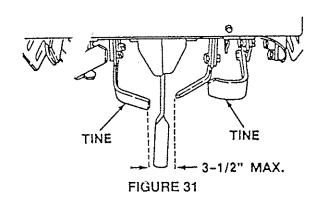
To maintain the superb tilling performance of this machine the Tines should be checked for sharpness, wear, and bending, particularly the Tines which are next to the Transmission (Fig. 31). If the gap between the Tines exceeds 3-1/2 inches, they should be replaced or straightened as necessary.

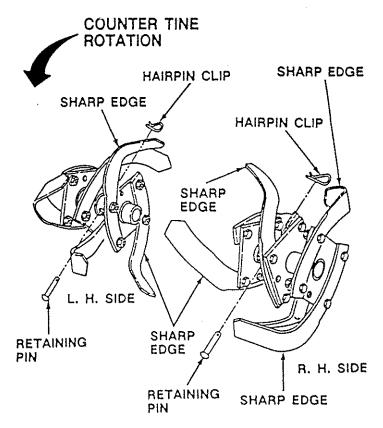
New Tines should be assembled as shown in Figur 32. SHARPENED TINE EDGES WILL ROTAT REARWARD FROM ABOVE (FIG. 32).



## REPAIR AND ADJUSTMENT







VIEW FROM REAR OF TILLER

FIGURE 32

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#### 6. CARBURETOR

NOTE: A dirty Air Cleaner will cause Engine to run rough. Be sure Air Cleaner is clean before Adjustments. Factory settings are satisfactory for most applications and conditions. If adjustments are needed, proceed as follows:

Never attempt to change maximum Engine speed. This is preset at the factory and should only be changed by a qualified service technician who has the necessary equipment. The carburetor may need re-adjusting if Engine lacks power or does not idle properly.

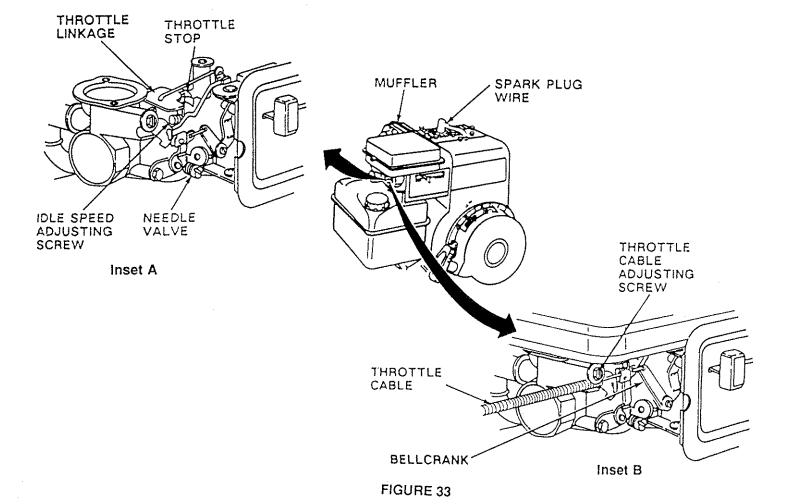
- a. Turn needle valve (Fig. 33-Inset A) clockwise (~)
  until it just closes. Valve may be damaged by
  turning Needle Valve in too far.
- Open Needle Valve 1-1/2 turns counterclockwise (). This initial adjustment will permit the Engine to be started and warmed up prior to final adjustment
- c. Start the Engine. Allow Engine to warm up for about 5 minutes before proceeding.
- d. Place Throttle Control in "IDLE" position.
  - Turn Needle Valve in until Engine slows (clockwise ( ) lean mixture).
  - Then turn Needle Valve out past smooth operating point until Engine runs unevenly (counterclockwise ()) rich mixture).

- Now turn Needle Valve to the midpoint between rich and lean so the Engine runs smoothly.
- e. To adjust Idle RPM, Rotate Throttle Linkage (Fig. 33-Inset A) counterclockwise (M) and hold against stop while adjusting Idle Speed Adjusting Screw (Fig. 33-Inset A) to obtain 1750 RPM. Release Throttle Linkage.
- f. Test the Engine by tilling. If Engine dies out, it usually indicates that the mixture is slightly lean and it may be necessary to open () the Needle Valve slightly to provide a richer mixture. This richer mixture may cause a slight unevenness in idling.

#### 7. THROTTLE CONTROL ADJUSTMENT

- a. Loosen Throttle Cable Adjusting Screw (Fig. 33-Inset B).
- b. With Throttle Control(Fig. 33) in "FAST" position and Cable connected to bellcrank (Fig. 33-inset B) pull Cable backward through screw until Bellcrank is as far rearward as it will go.
- Tighten Adjusting Screw.

CAUTION: NEVER TAMPER WITH THE ENGINE GOV-ERNOR, WHICH IS FACTORY SET FOR PROPER ENGINE SPEED.



## REPAIR AND ADJUSTMENT

## Problem and Probable Cause - Possible Remedy

#### WILL NOT START OR HARD TO START:

No gasoline in Fuel Tank - Fill Ta

Fill Tank with gasoline (pg. 9)

Throttle Control not set properly -

Place Throttle Control (pg. 8) in "FAST" position

Choked improperly, flooded Engine -

Move Choke Control (pg. 10) to "RUN" position or place Throttle Control in "FAST" position and pull Starter several times to clear out gas

Clogged Fuel Tank - R

Remove and clean

Dirty Air Cleaner Cartridge 🖝

Remove and clean or replace (pg. 13)

Spark Plug Dirty or improper gap 🖝

Clean, adjust gap or replace (pg. 13))

Water in gasoline or old fuel 🖝

Drain Fuel Tank and Carburetor, use fresh fuel and replace Spark Plug

Improper Carburetor adjustment -

Make necessary adjustments (pg. 18)

#### **ENGINE MISSES OR LACKS POWER:**

Engine overloaded \*

Set Depth Stake for shallower tilling (pg. 8)

Clogged Fuel Tank -

Remove and clean

Partially plugged Air Cleaner - Remove and clean or replace (pg.13)

Improper Carburetor adjustment - Make

Make necessary adjustments (pg. 18)

Dirty Air Screen 🖛

Clean Air Screen (pg. 13)

Spark Plug dirty, improper gap, or wrong type 🖝

Replace Spark Plug and adjust gap (pg. 13)

Poor compression -

Major Engine Overhaul

Oil in gasoline 🖝

Drain and refill gas Tank and Carburetor

#### **ENGINE OVERHEATS:**

Dirty Air Screen 🖛

Clean Air Screen (pg. 13)

Low oil level or dirty oil 🖝

Add or change oil (pg. 14)

Dirty Engine 🖝

Clean Cylinder Fins, Air Screen, and Muffler area (pg. 13)

Partially Plugged Muffler

er 🖛 Remove and clean Muffler

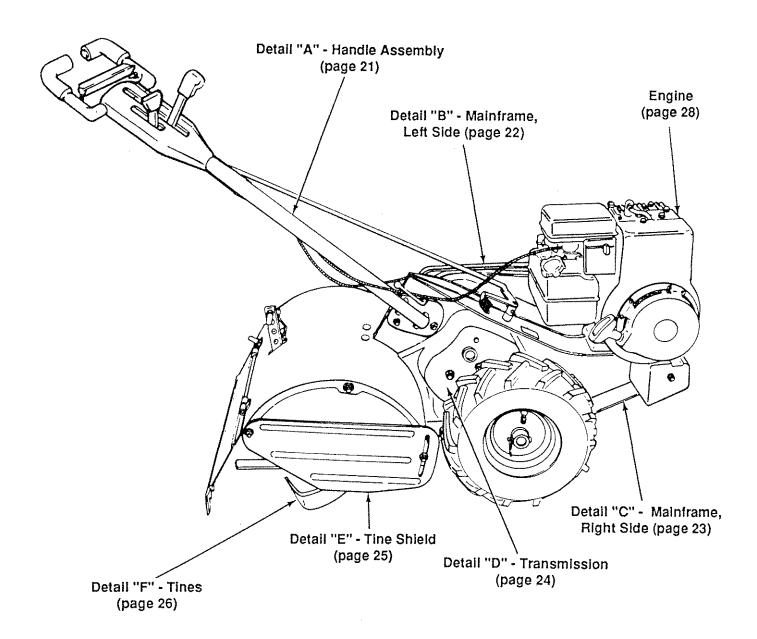
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Make necessary adjustments (pg. 18)

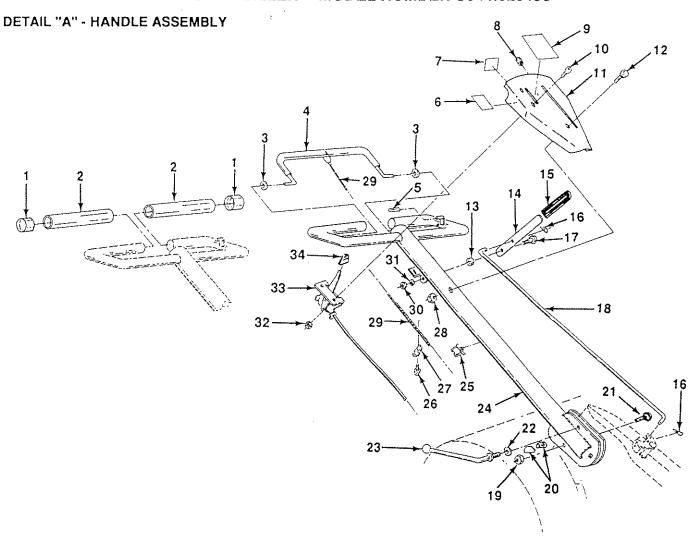
## SOIL BALLS UP OR CLUMPS:

Ground too wet - Wait for more favorable soil conditions

**OVERVIEW** 



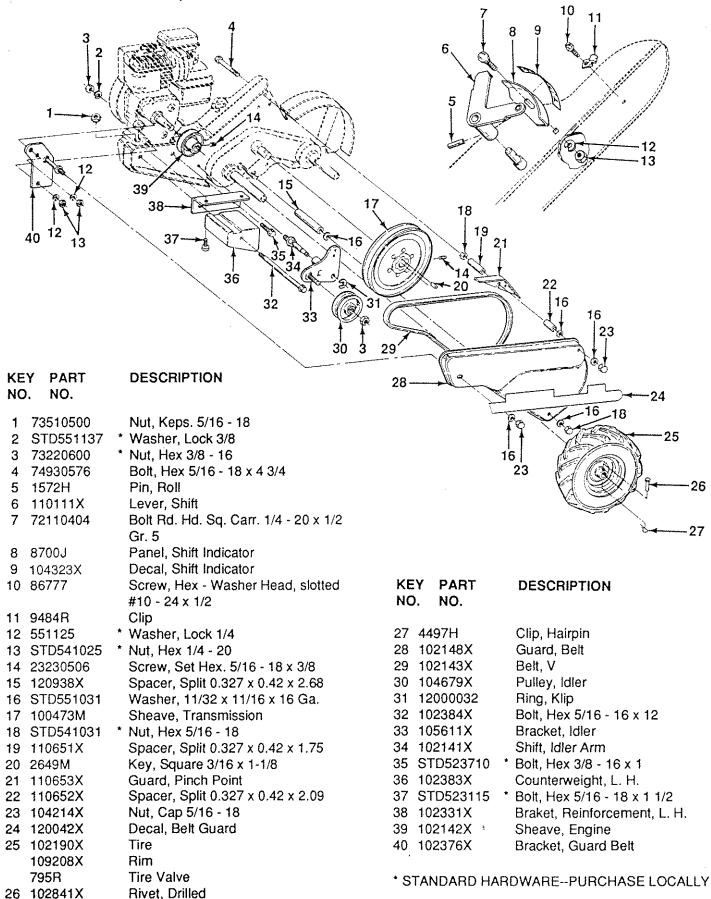
## 5 H.P. TILLER -- MODEL NUMBER C944.629450



KE NC		DESCRIPTION	KE NC		PART NO.		DESCRIPTION
1	110707X	Cap, Sleeve	18	11	0702X		Rod, Shift
2	110674X	Grip, Handle	19	53	194H		Nut, Centerlock - 3/8 - 16
3	110673X	Grommet, Handle	20	10	9229X		Lock, Handle
4	110672X	Bar, Drive Control Assembly	21	72	110608		Bolt, Rd. Hd. Sq. Neck Carr. 3/8 - 16
5	6712J	Cap, Vinyl					x 1 Gr 5.
6	110614X	Decal, Hand Placement	22	19	131611		Washer, 13/32 x 1 x 11 Ga.
7	122979X	Decal, Caution - Clutch	23	10	9228X		Lever, Lock - Handle
8	110641X	Bushing, Split	24	12	1213X		Handle, Assemble
9	122978X	Decal, Control Panel	25	12	1145X		Clip, Plastic Cable
10	71091008	Screw, Mach. Pan Head. C.R. #10-	26	86	777		Screw, Hex Washer Hd Slt. #10-24
		24 x 1/2					x 1/2
11	110548X	Panel, Control	27	94	84R		Clip
12	72010519	Bolt, Carr 5/16 - 18 UNC x 2-3/8	28	73	970500		Nut, Lock Hex. Flange
		Gr5.	29	11	0675X		Clutch, Cable
13	109313X	Grommet, Rubber	30	ST	D541025	*	Nut, Hex 1/4-20
14	110741X	Handle, Shift	31	ST	D551125	*	Washer, Lock 1/4
15	110646X	Handle, Grip	32	73	731000		Nut, Keps. #10-24
16	4497H	Clip, Hairpin	33	11	0670X		Throttle, Control
17	81328	Bolt, Shoulder	34	11	0680X		Knob, Control

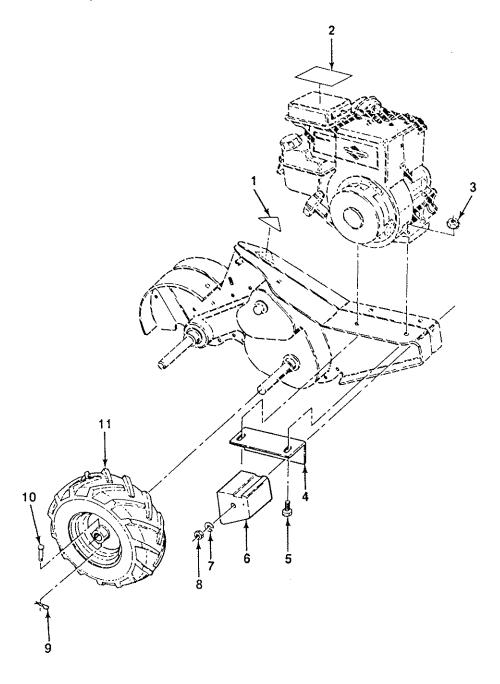
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#### **DETAIL "B" - MAINFRAME, LEFT SIDE**



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DETAIL "C" - MAINFRAME, RIGHT SIDE



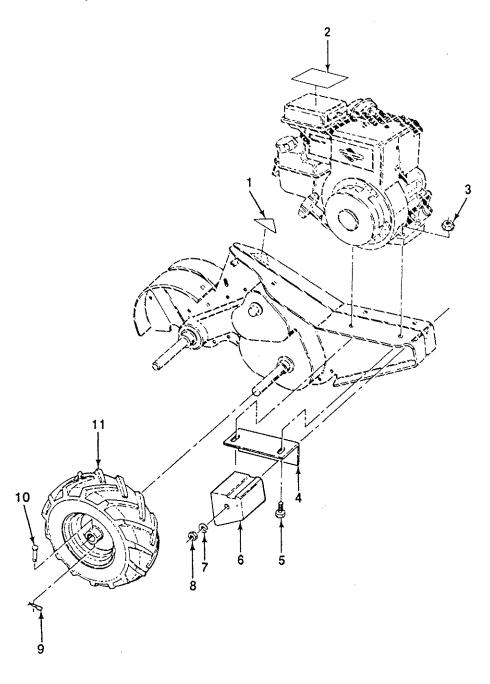
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1		Decal, O.P.E.I.	8 73220600	* Nut Hex 3/8 - 16
2	110612X	Decal, Caution	9 4497H	Clip, Hairpin
3	73510500	Nut, Keps 5/16 - 18	10 102841X	Rivet, Drilled
4	102332X	Bracket Reinforcment	11 109208X	Tire
5	STD523115	* Bolt, Hex 5/16 - 18 x 1-1/2	109208X	Rim
6	102173X	Counter Weight, R.H.	795R	Tire Valve
7	10040600	* Washer Lock 3/8		

<sup>\*</sup> STANDARD HARDWARE--PURCHASE LOCALLY

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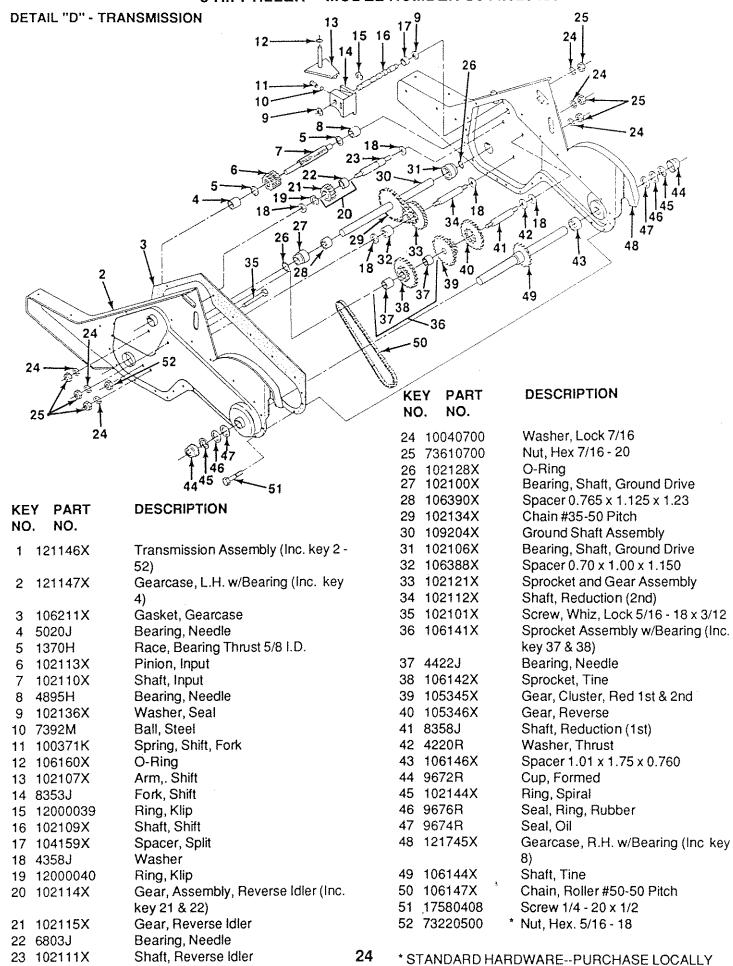
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KEY PART NO. NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY PART NO. NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	Decal, O.P.E.I.	8 73220600	* Nut Hex 3/8 - 16
2 110612X	Decal, Operations and Lubrication	9 44 <b>9</b> 7H	Clip, Hairpin
3 73510500	Nut, Keps 5/16 - 18	10 102841X	Rivet, Drilled
4 102332X	Bracket Reinforcment	11 109208X	Tire
5 STD523115	* Bolt, Hex 5/16 - 18 x 1-1/2	109208X	Rim
6 102173X	Counter Weight, R.H.	795R	Tire Valve
7 10040600	* Washer Lock 3/8		

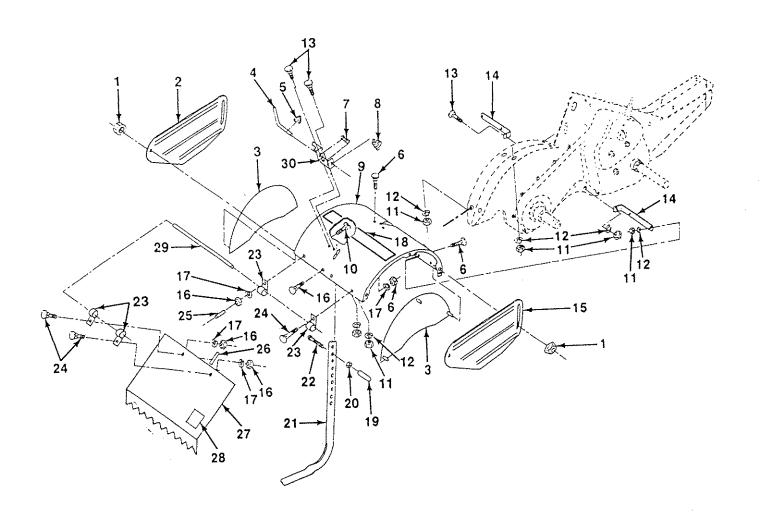
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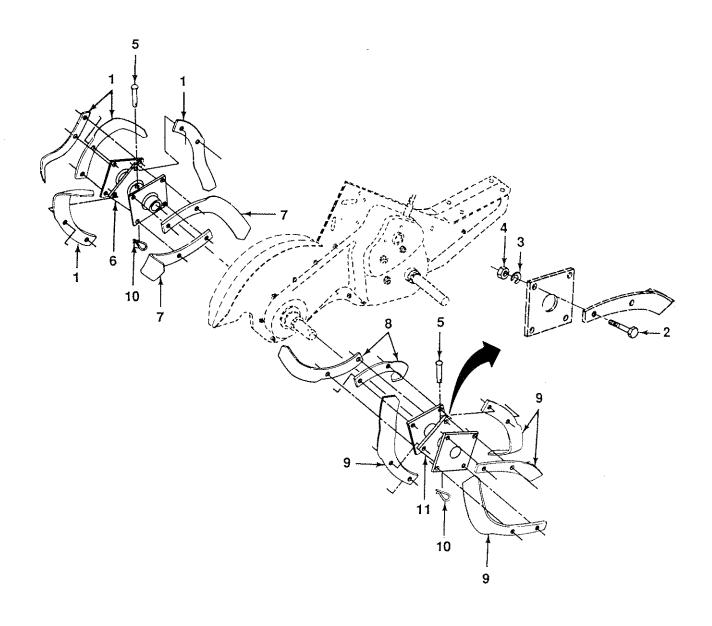
**DETAIL "E" - TINE SHIELD** 



KE NC			DESCRIPTION	KE NC	-	PART NO.		DESCRIPTION
1	98000129		Nut, Flange 5/16 - 18	17	S	TD551125		Washer, Lock 1/4
2	104086X		Shield, Side outer L. H.	18	1	10799X		Decal, Tine Shield
3	104085X		Shield Side	19		)2701X		Grip
4	8393J		Pin, Stake Depth	20		TD541037		Nut, Hex 3/8 - 16
5	12000036		Ring, Klip	21	10	02156X		Stake, Depth
6	72140505		Bolt, Carriage 5/16 - 18 x 5/8 Gr 5	22		1930632	*	Bolt, Hex 3/8 - 16 x 2
7	8394J		Spring	23	44	140J		Hinge
8	109230X		Spring, Depth Stake	24	72	2140404		Bolt, Carriage 1/4 - 20 x 1/2 Gr. 5
9	102326X		Shield, Tine	25	67	712J		Cap, Vinyl
10	72040410		Bolt, Carriage 1/4 - 20 x 1 - 1/4 Gr. 5	26	10	)9227X		Pad, Idler
11	541031		Nut, Hex 5/16 - 18	27	10	)2695X	*	Shield, Leveling
12	STD551131	*	Washer, Lock 5/16	28	12	20076X		Decal, Warning
13	STD533110	*	Bolt, Carriage 5/16 - 18 x 1	29	12	20588X		Pin, Hinge
14	102155X		Bracket, Shield Tine	30	83	392J		Bracket, Latch
15	104101X		Shield, Side Outer R.H.					
16	STD541025		Nut Hex 1/4 - 20	* S	TΑ	NDARD HA	R	DWAREPURCHASE LOCALLY

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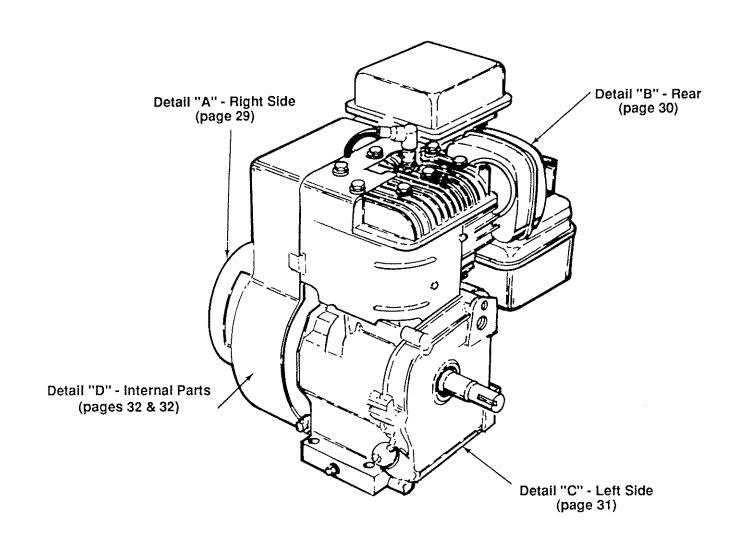
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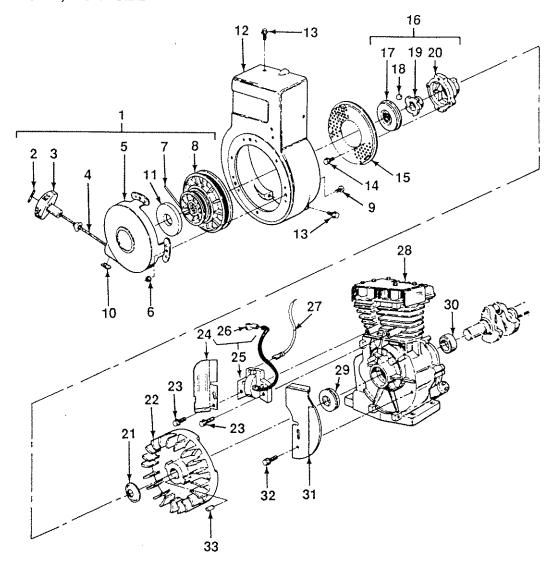
KE NO	Y PART . NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY PART NO. NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	4459J	Tine L. H.	7 6554J	Tine L. H.
2	STD6237102	* Bolt, Hex 3/8 - 24 x 1	8 6555J	Tine, R. H.
3	STD551137	* Washer, Lock 3/8	9 4460J	Tine, R. H.
4	STD54113	* Nut, Hex 3/8 - 24	10 3146R	Clip, Hairpin
5	4929H	Retaining Pin with hole	11 102382X 1	Hub and Plate, Assembly R. H.
6	102380X	Hub and Plate, Assembly L. H.	<del>,-</del> 121254X	Owner's Manual

# SERVICE NOTES

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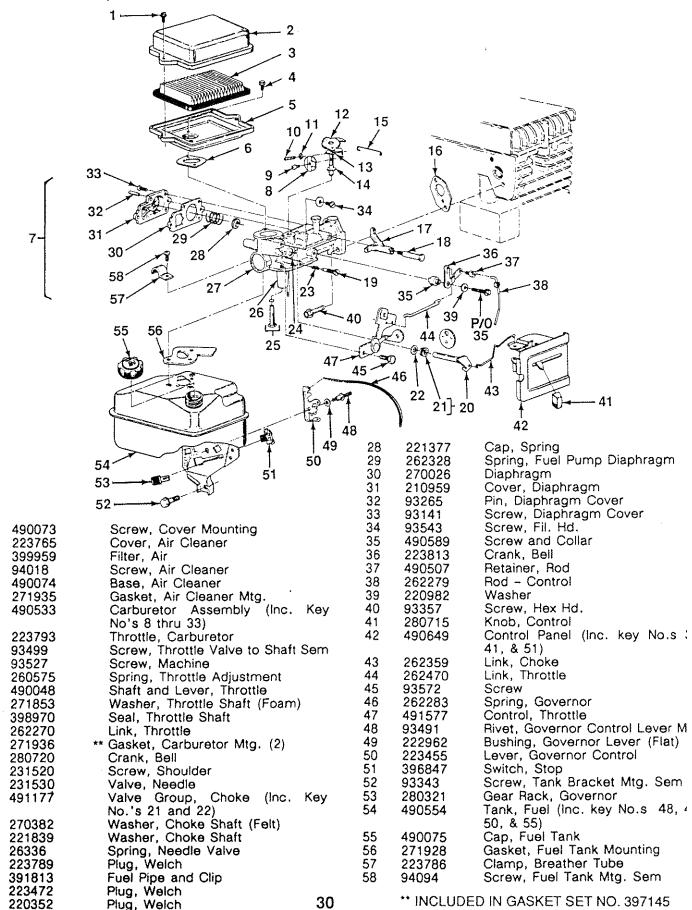
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KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	390463 230228 66728 66884 299431 92987 490179 295871 94128	Starter Assembly, Rewind (Inc. Key No's 2-9) Pin, Starter Grip Grip, Starter Rope (Inc. Key No. 2) Rope, Starter 63" Long Housing, Starter (Inc. Key No's 6 and 9) Nut, Hex Spring, Starter Pulley, Starter Pulley, Starter (Inc. Key No. 4) Screw, Starter Housing Mounting	17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	394506 63770 298799 394897 220865 297229 93414 223886 397358	Washer, Clutch Retainer Ball, Clutch Ratchet Housing, Starter Clutch Washer, Spring Flywheel, Magneto Screw, Armature Mtg. Sem Guide, Air Armature Assembly (Inc. Key No. 26)
10 11 12 13 14 15 16	222598 490817 490169 93158 93490 221923 399671	Anchor - Spring Spacer Housing, Blower Screw, Blower Housing Mounting Screw, Sem	27 28 29 30 31 32 33	398808 395990 299819 297565 222443 93705 222698	Cable - Terminal Ignition Wire, Ground Cylinder Assembly (Inc. Key No 29) Seal, Oil * Bushing - Cylinder (Inc. Key No 29) Guard, Flywheel Screw, Flywheel Key, Flywheel

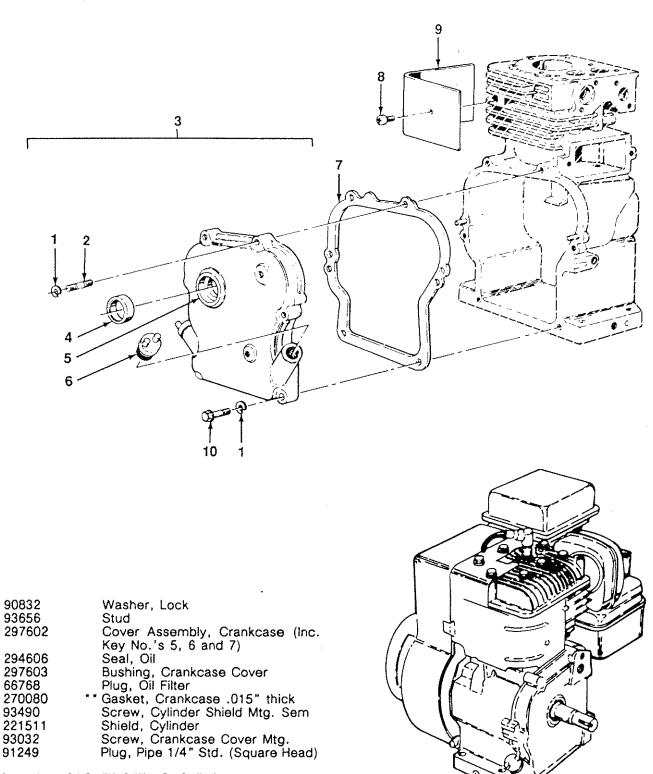
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DETAIL "B" - ENGINE, REAR



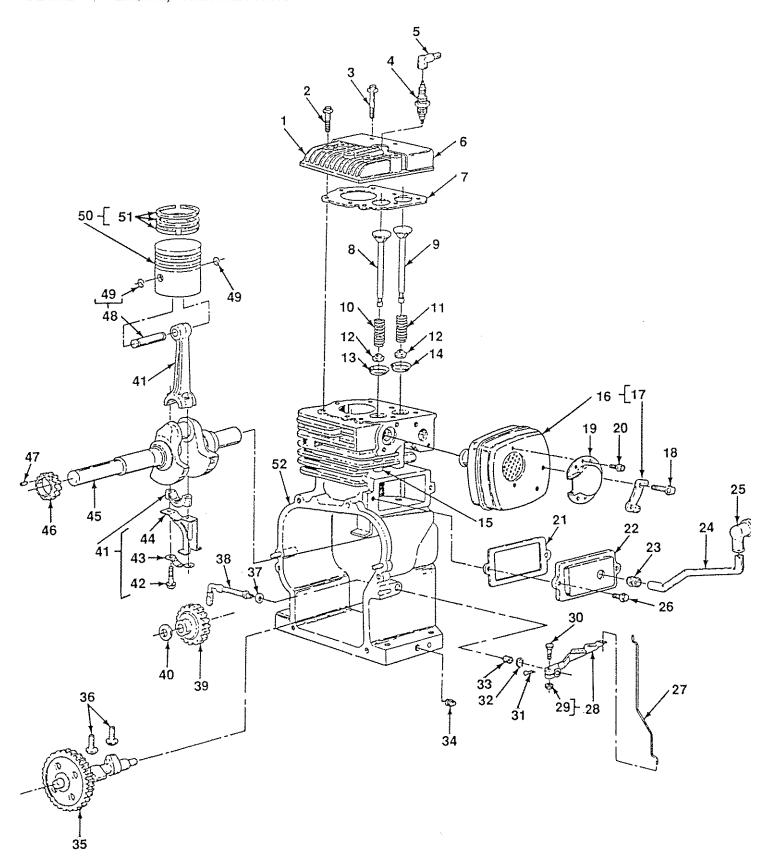
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**DETAIL "C" - ENGINE, LEFT SIDE** 



<sup>\*\*</sup>INCLUDE IN GASKET SET NO. 397145

5 H.P. TILLER -- MODEL NUMBER C944.629450 ENGINE - CRAFTSMAN -- MODEL NUMBER 130202, TYPE NUMBER 3130-01 DETAIL "D" - ENGINE, INTERNAL PARTS



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**DETAIL "D" - ENGINE, INTERNAL PARTS** 

KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	211542	Head, Cylinder	29	231082	Nut, Hex No. 10 - 24
2	93368	Screw, Cylinder Head-2-3/32 I.	30	92613	Bolt, Governor Lever
3	93369	Screw, Cylinder Head-2-15/32 I.	31	93306	Cotter, Hairpin
4	293918	Plug - Spark, Resistor	32	93307	Retainer, E-Ring
5	66538	Elbow, Spark Plug	33	231079	Bushing, Governor Crank (1/4"
2 3 4 5 6 7	221512	Cover, Cylinder Head			I.D.)
7	270383	* * Gasket, Cylinder Head	34	93448	Plug, Pipe (Hex Socket)
8	211119	Valve, Exhaust	35	212733	Gear, Cam
9	261044	Valve, Intake	36	260642	Tappet, Valve
10	26478	Spring, Exhaust Valve	37	222450	Washer, Governor Lever
11	260552	Spring, Intake Valve	38	231077	Crank, Governor (1/4" Dia.)
12	93312	Retainer, Valve Spring	39	391737	Gear, Governor
13	211172	* Seat - Exhaust Valve (Std.)	40	221551	Washer, Thrust
14	211787	* Seat - Intake Valve (Std.)	41	299430	Rod Assembly, Connecting (Inc.
15	262001	* Guide – Exhaust Valve			Key No.'s 42 to 44) NOTE: For con-
16	393615	Muffler - Exhaust (Inc. Key No.'s			necting Rod with .020" undersize
		17 and 18)			Crankpin Bore, Order No. 390459
17	222263	Lock - Screw	42	92296	Screw, Connecting Rod
18	93935	Screw, Hex Hd. Shoulder	43	221876	Lock, Connecting Rod Screw
19	393757	Deflector - Exhaust, Side Outlet	44	221890	Dipper, Connecting Rod
		(Inc. Key No. 20)	45	397103	Crankshaft
20	93705	Screw	46	261696	Gear - Timing
21	27549	** Gasket, Valve Cover	47	230978	Key, Crankshaft
22	294178	Breather, Valve Chamber	48	298909	Pin Assembly, Piston Std. (Inc. Key
23	66578	Grommet, Breather Tube			No. 49)
24	231526	Tube, Breather	49	26026	Lock, Piston Pin
25	67838	Grommet, Breather Tube	50	298904	Piston Assembly - Std. (Inc. Key
26	93394	Screw, Breather Mounting			No. 51)
27	262230	Link, Governor	51	298982	Ring Set, Piston - Std.
28	490374	Lever Assembly, Governor (Inc.	52	395990	Cylinder Assembly
		Key No.'s 29 and 30)			

<sup>\*</sup> REQUIRES SPECIAL TOOLS TO INSTALL

#### **OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT AND SPECIAL TOOLS:**

 392193	Spark Arresting Muffler Assembly, Consists of the following: 391913 Screen (1 required) 222535 Deflector (1 required) 93705 Screw (4 required)
 397145	Gasket Set
 89838	Spark Plug Wrench
 19069	Flywheel Puller

<sup>\*\*</sup>INCLUDE IN GASKET SET NO. 397145

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HOW TO ORDER REPAIR PARTS

# CRAFTSMAN 5 H.P. CRT 17 INCH REAR TINE TILLER WITH COUNTER ROTATING TINES

The Model Number will be found on a plate attached to the top of the Transmission. Always provide the Model Number when requesting service or repair parts for your Tiller.

All parts listed herein may be ordered from any Sears Service Centre/Departments and most Sears Stores.

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- THE PART DESCRIPTION
- THE MODEL NUMBER
- THE NAME OF MERCHANDISE

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