John's

Toys &

Activities





When John was five he not only lost his dad but was diagnosed with osteomyelitis of the hip. He was in a large cast from the waist down one leg for almost seven years until penicillin became available.

John's workshop: On the left is a Bridgeport milling machine, on the right a metal lath and in the rear a chem lab





Hunting was a hobby but Hark the crow wasn't very afraid.



This is a black box given to a niece. Dependent upon the sequence of switches and would blink out her name, create a strange hum, or a monkey would jump out of the box. It was made with scrap materials and though it created a lot of fun did not last very long.



John is always liked heavy equipment. This is his first experience with it. Note the smile.

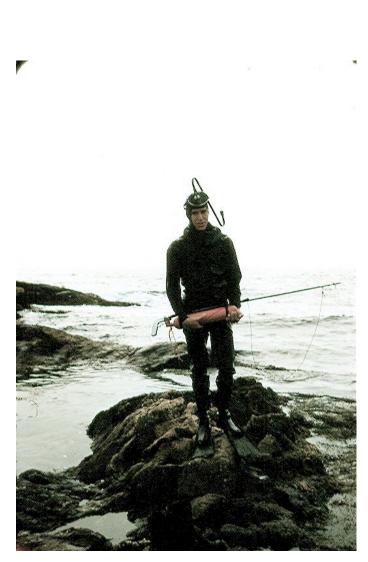


Stuck in a mud hole



John and his brother had dry suits, so-called, which were very difficult to get into and would frequently leak making them not so dry.

Using oxygen tanks from WWII bombers John designed an aqua lung that worked for relatively shallow depths.



This spear gun was powered with a CO2 extinguisher and was so powerful that cable to the spear broke and sent John several feet back as a rerult of the jet action



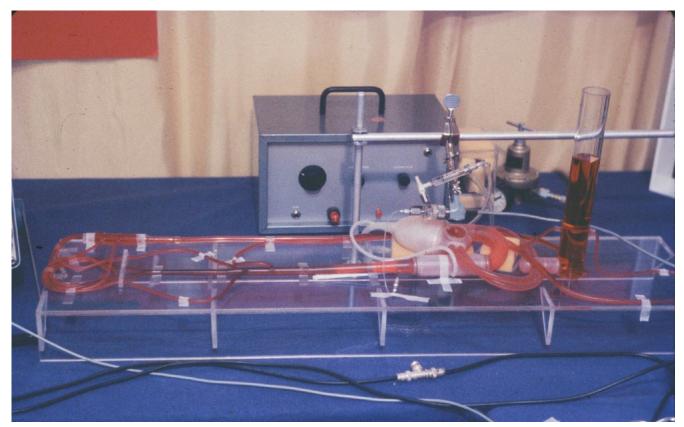
John used this for several years



The iceboat was a big success the only problem being that assembling it on a frigid day is very hard on the fingers



These were shoes intended to make it possible to walk on water. Not 100% successful



The circulatory device.



Wind surfing; John is on the right



John redesigned this building as a church for his wife. The design was unique enough to get a write up in USA Today.





The Aqua Skimer

Go to Vimeo.com/138978363 for a brief video of a "John Toy" experience