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(57) **ABSTRACT**

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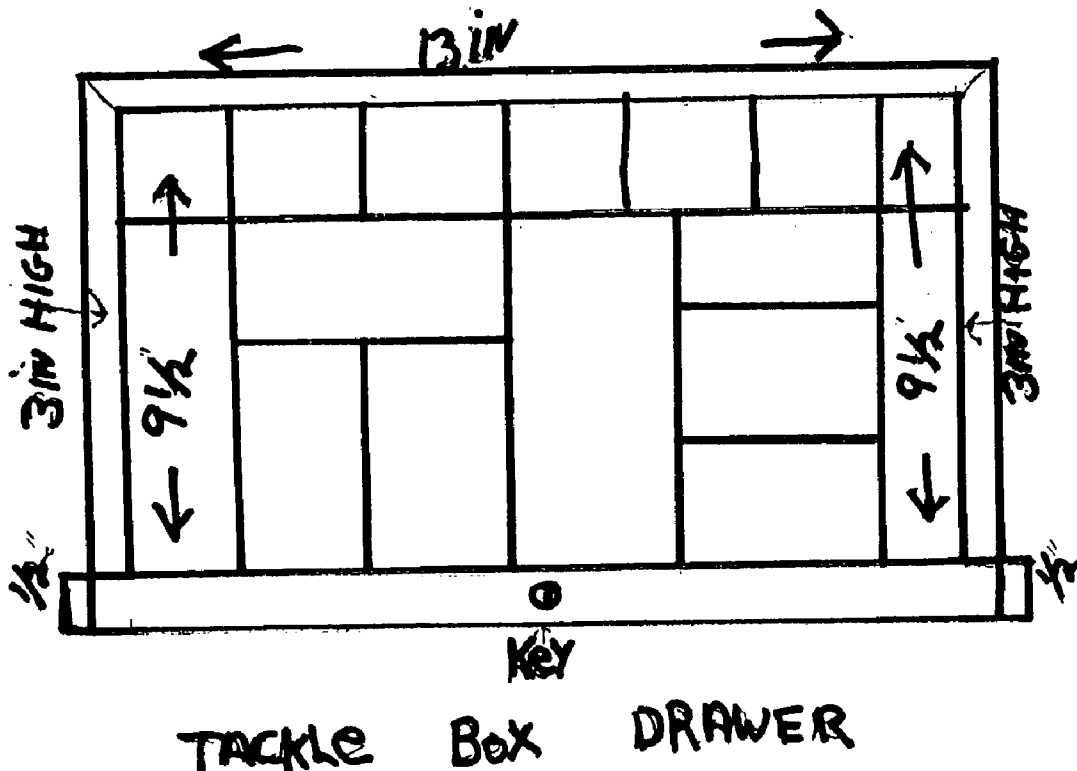
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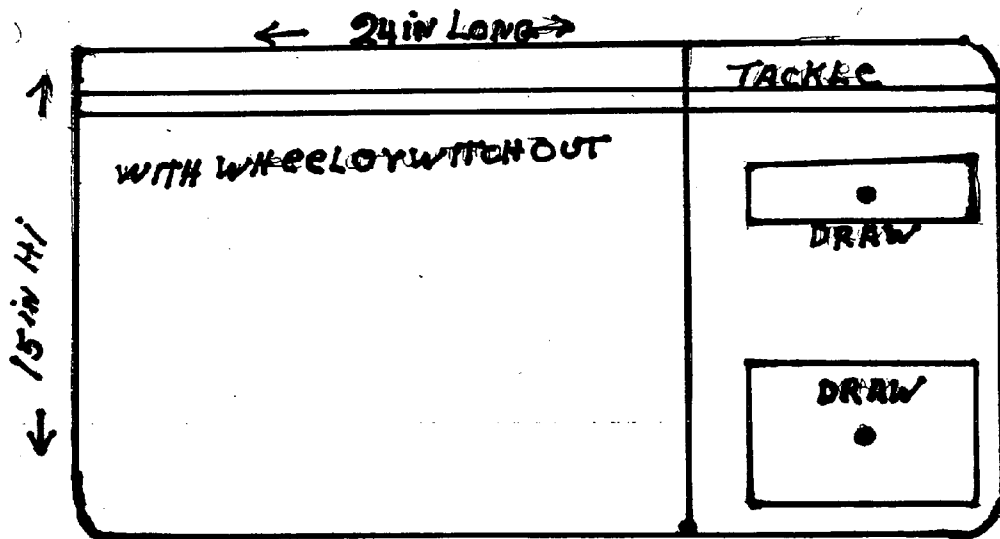
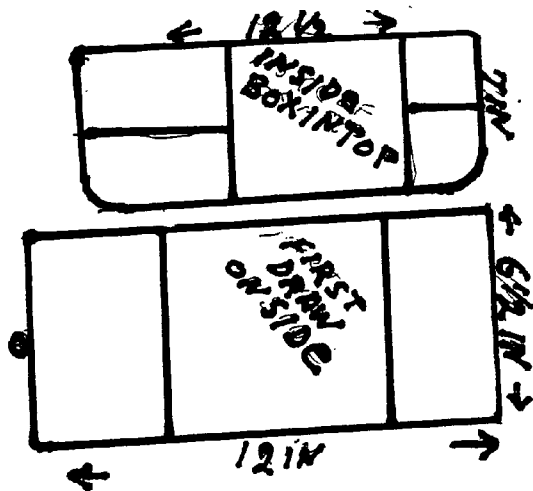
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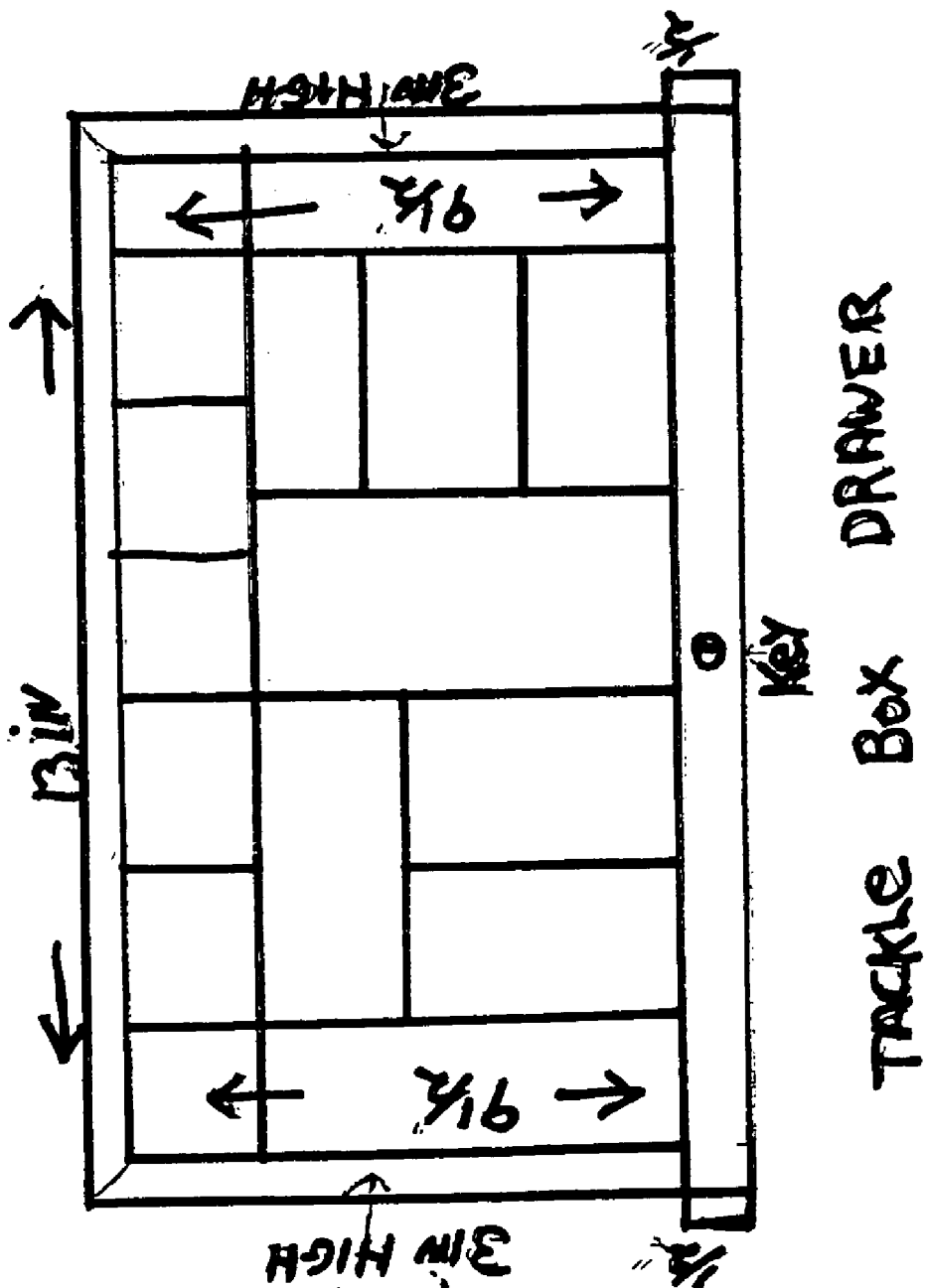
The "Recreational Tote" is a nice looking, lightweight, easy to handle, all-in one unit, which includes a cooler, that doubles as a bait box & a place to put your catch, a tackle box, a locked compartment for your valuables, or any number of collections. It is highly portable, strong, easy to clean, & convenient. It eliminates the need for several different containers, such as: a cooler for your beverages & food, a bucket to put your bait, & catch in, it can be used as a tackle box, a place to keep your car keys & wallet, fishing license, etc. The flat top version can also be used as a seat.

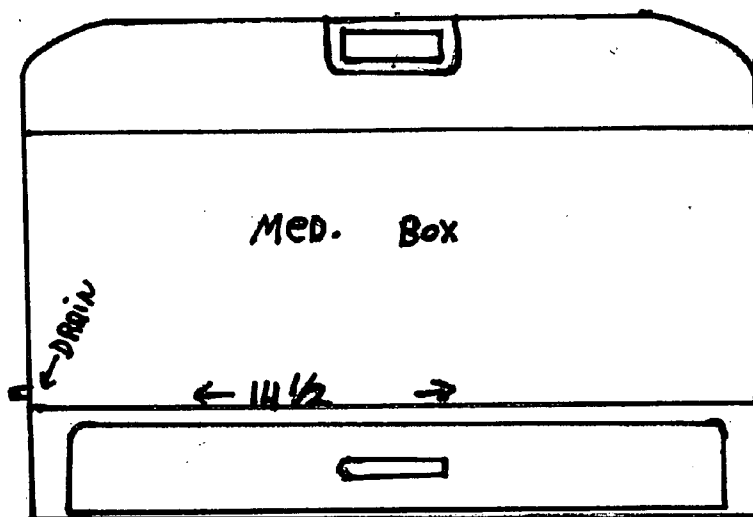
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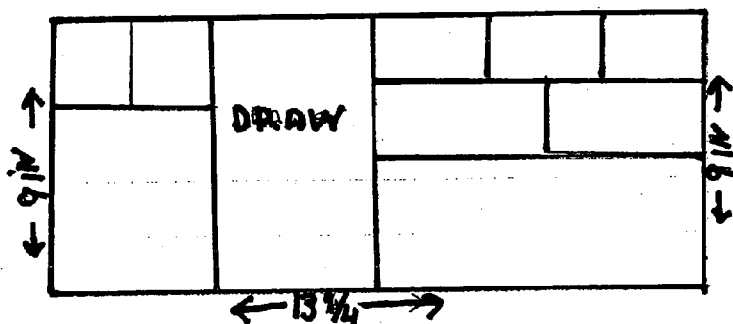




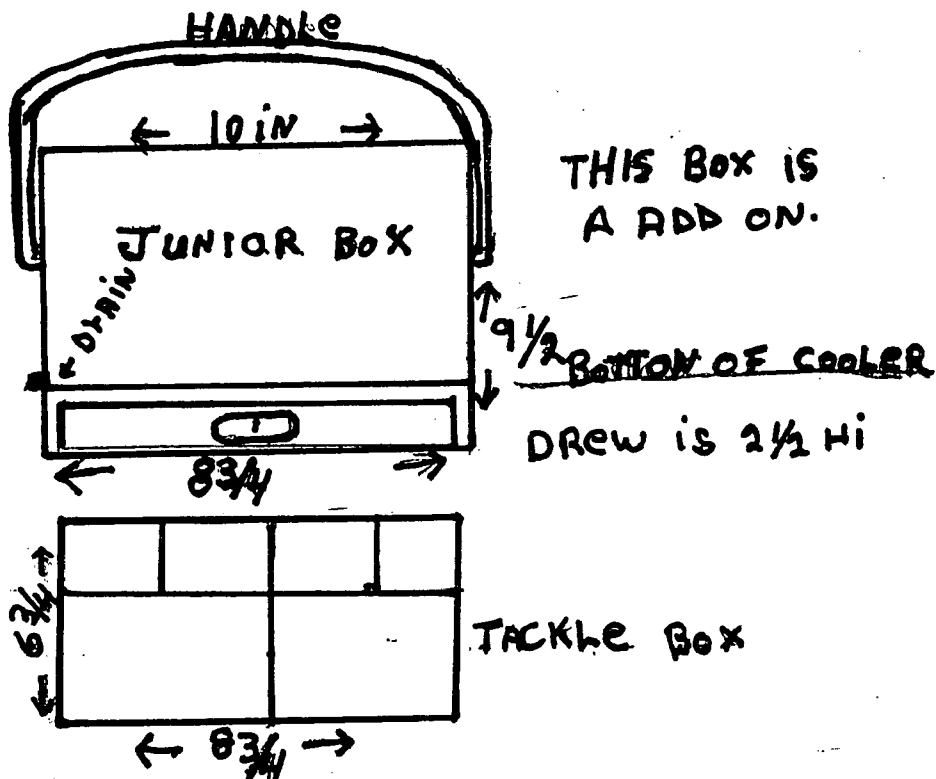
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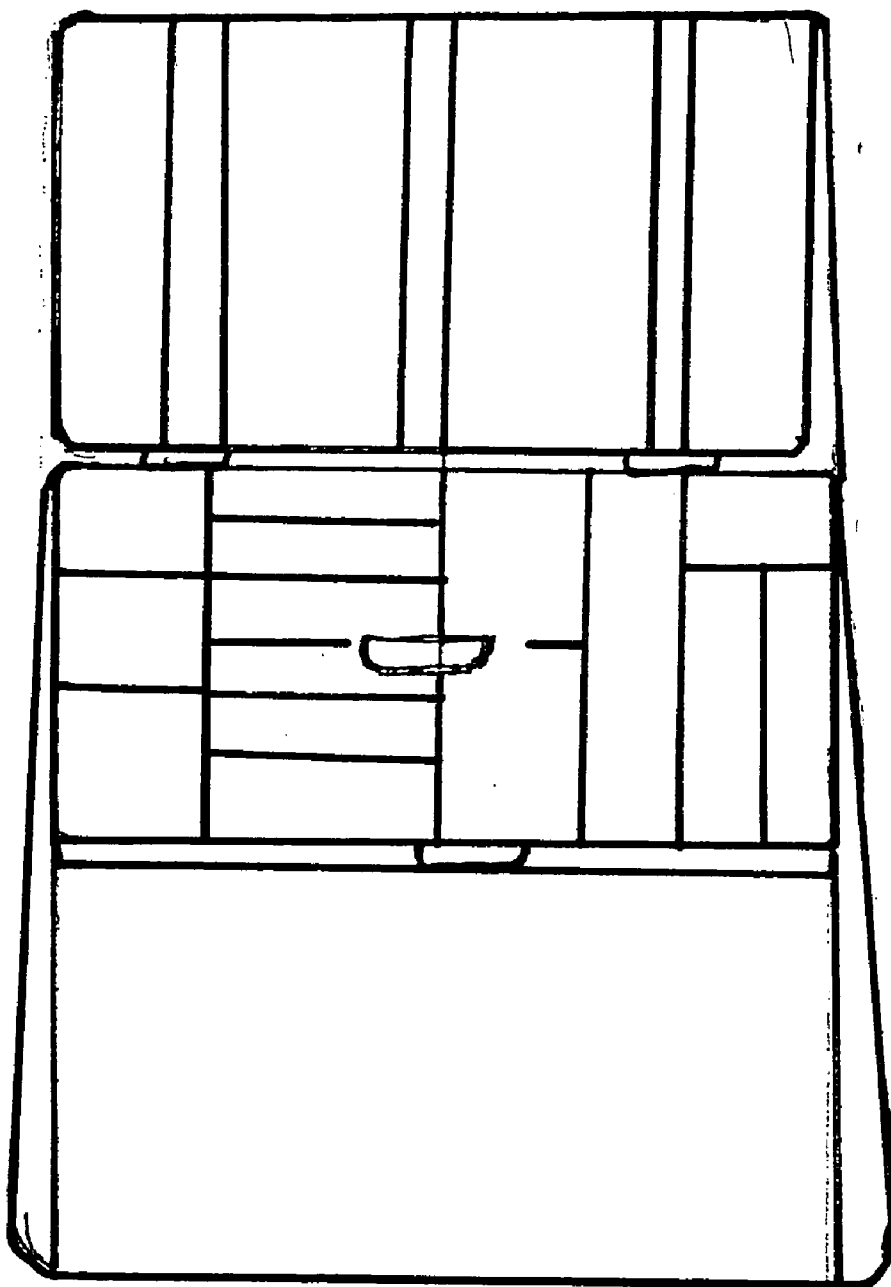
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TACKLE BOX



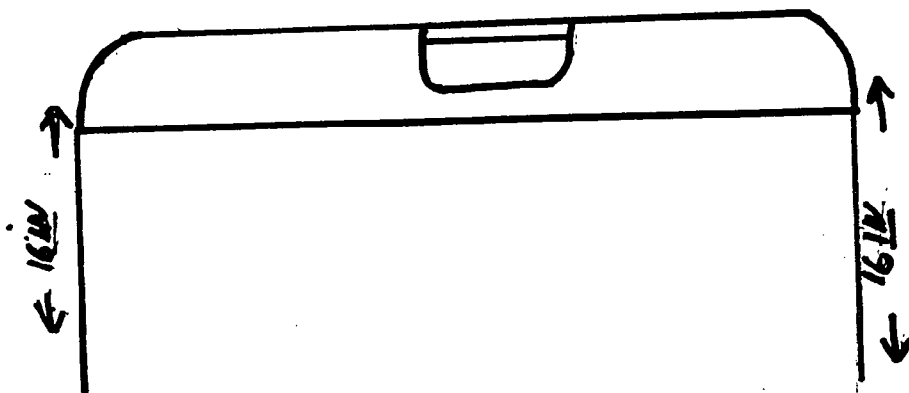


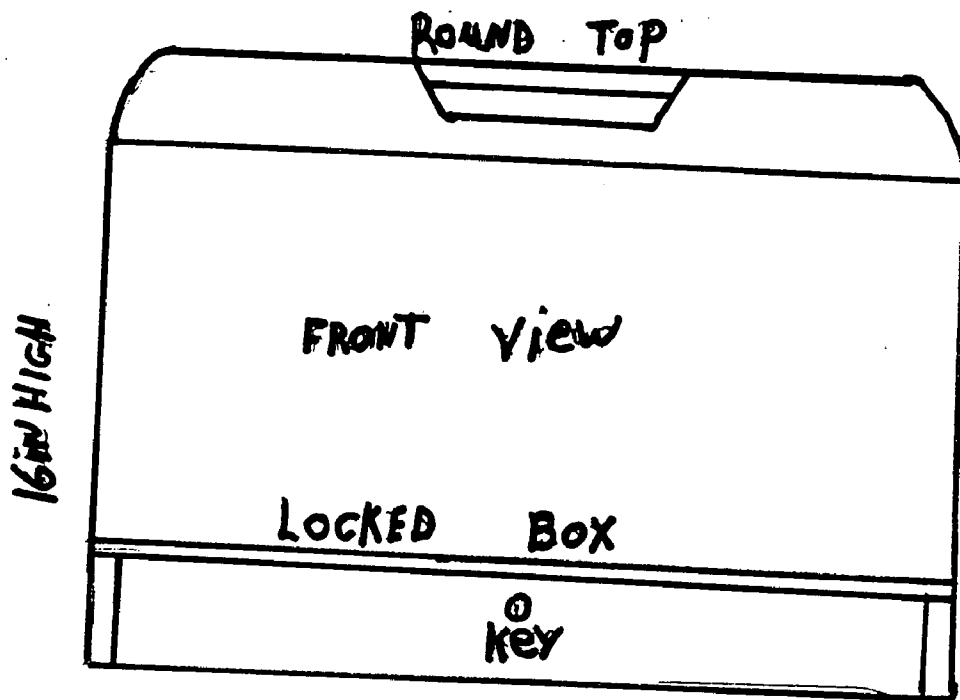
TACKLE BOX IN TOP OF ANY  
LARGE COOLER

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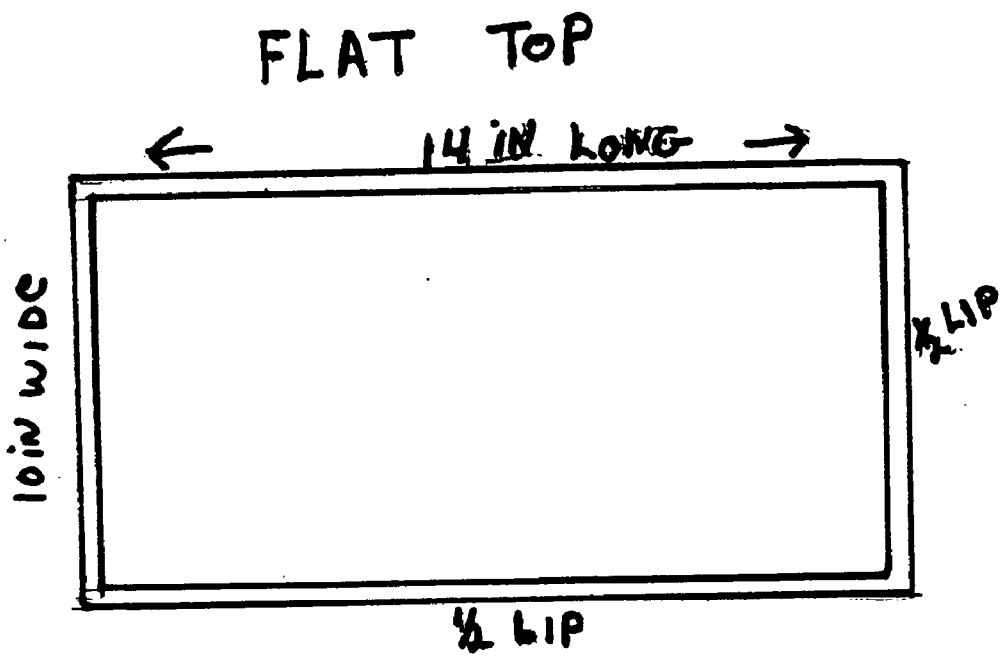
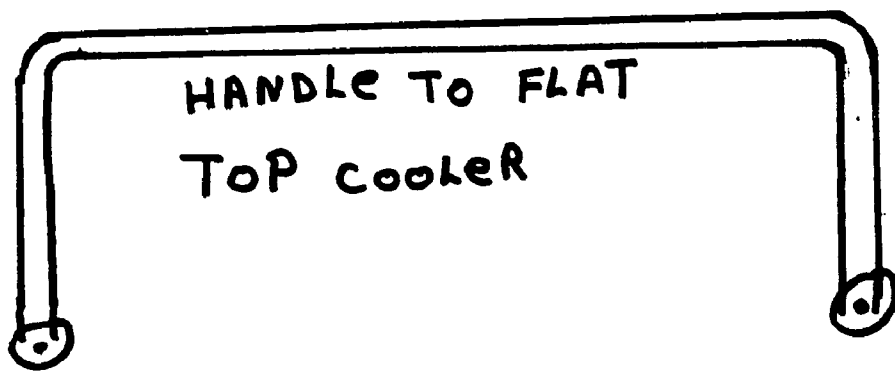
ice Box

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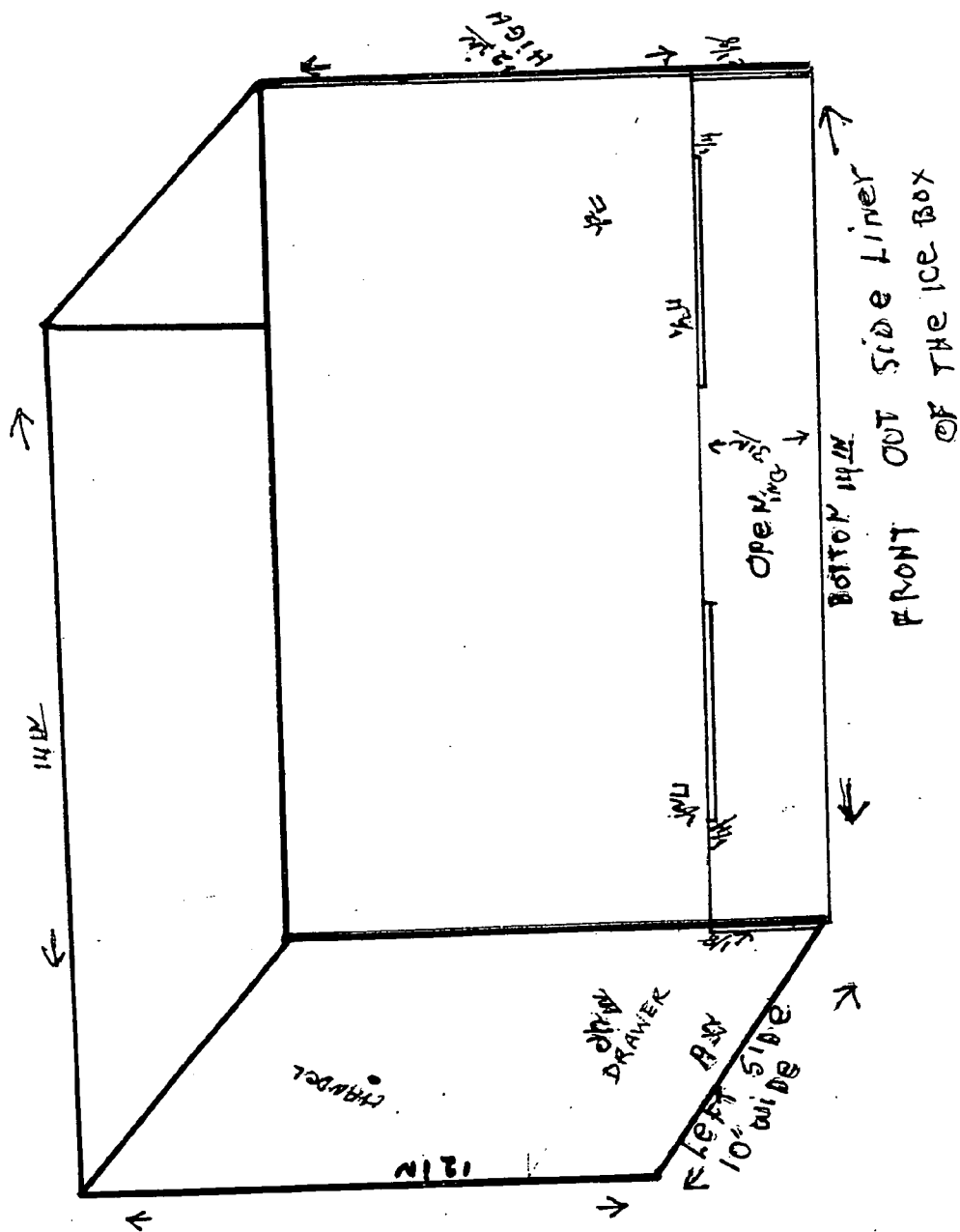


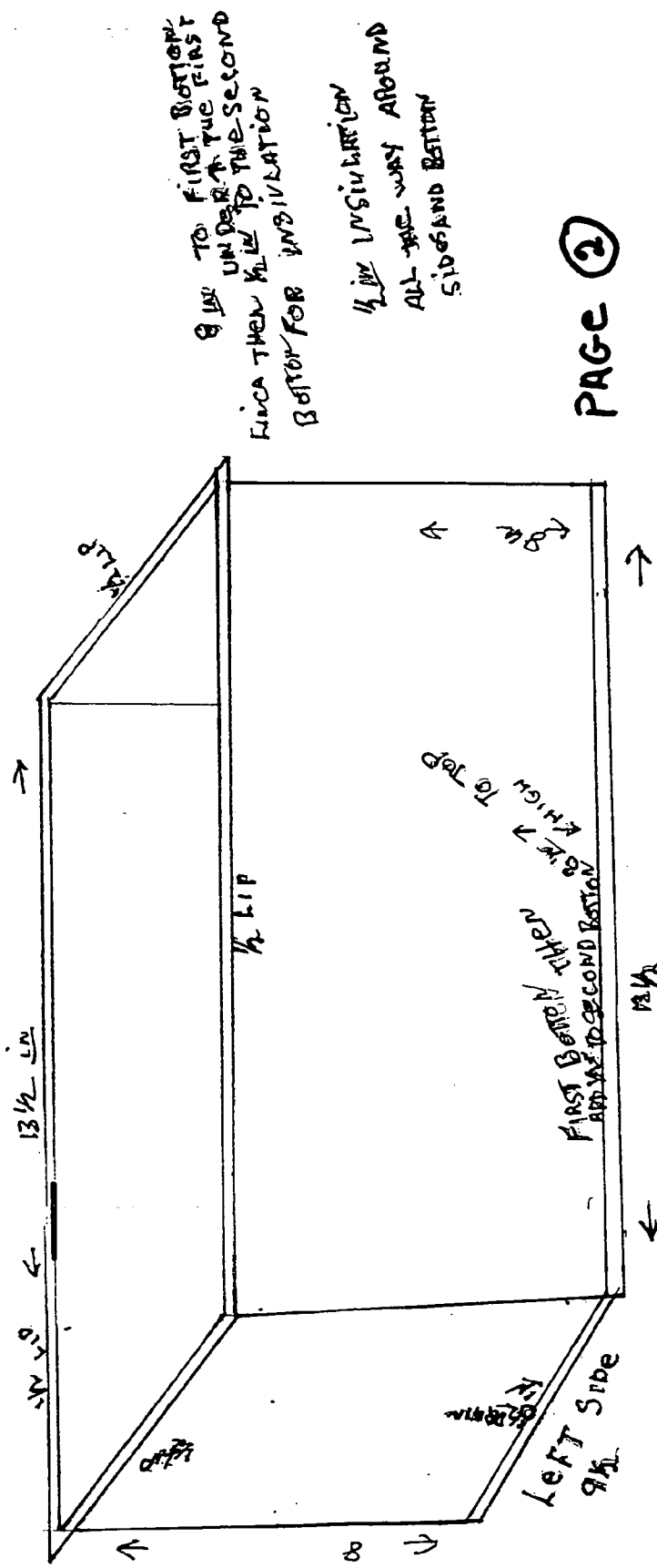






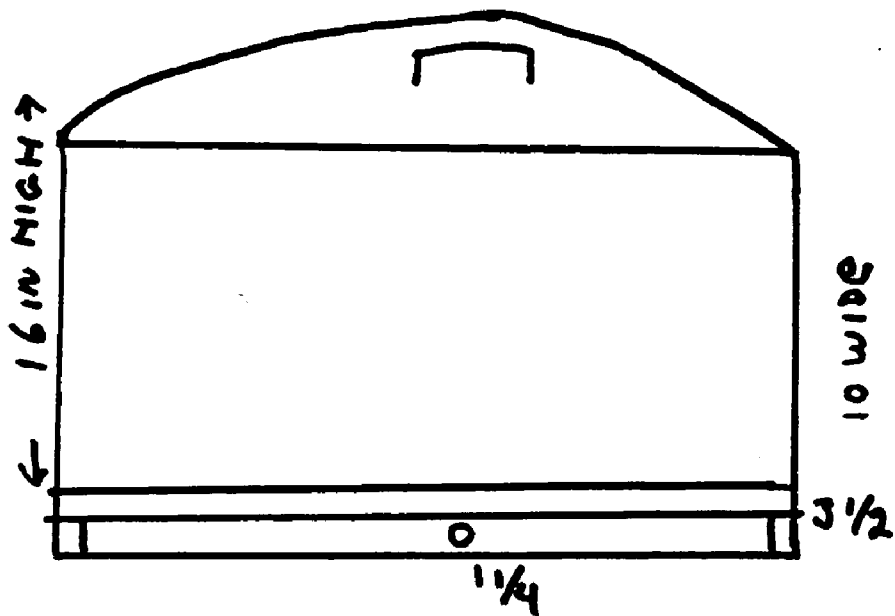
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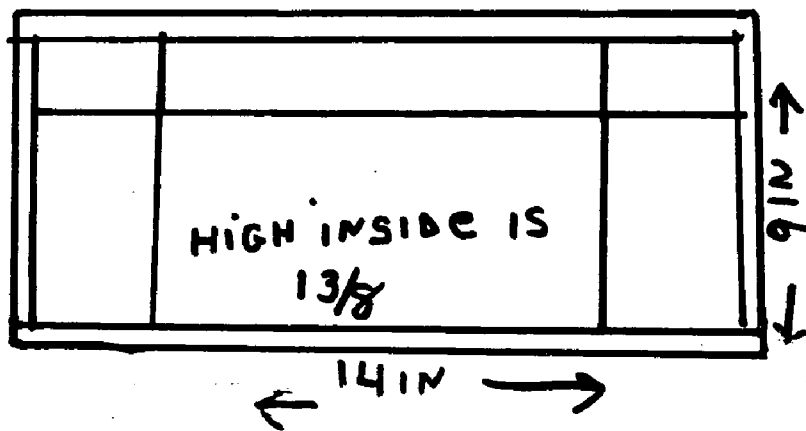


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INSIDE OF ICE BOX LINER



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## RECREATIONAL TOTE

### CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] Recreational Tote has been issued Provisional Application No. 60/484,914, dated Jul. 07, 2003, to Paul L. Moree. This recreational Tote is perfect for the beach, shore, boat, picnic, or any kind of outing. It is a combination cooler, bait, tackle, & lock box, in an all in one unit. There is no need to carry a separate cooler for beverages, or a separate container for bait, or your catch; or a separate tackle box, you no longer leave your valuables, fishing & driver licenses at home or locked in the trunk of your vehicle, because it has a locking device to keep every thing safe & with you. It is lightweight & attractive, a useable product that is easily taken with you on any kind of outing. A kit I have also devised can easily convert any size cooler from the smallest to the largest into a "Recreational Tote"

### BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

[0002] As a boy I grew up in a commercial fishing village, and as far back as I can remember I have been a fisherman. As a tot, I would get my gear together, which consisted of a box, I used to put my hooks, floats, strings, leaders, weight, etc. in, a large container, like a bucket to carry my catch home in, and of course I had to have another box or bag for my lunch, & drink. Not to even mention my fishing poles. By the time I would leave the house I would be so loaded down, it was a job getting to my favorite fishing spot. It was worth every second of it.

[0003] When I got older I became a commercial fisherman, so most of my gear was kept on my boat. However, when time permitted I was still an avid sports fisherman, which meant (you guessed it) assembling all my gear, getting my food & drinks in a cooler, a bucket for my catch, a tackle box for my fishing supplies, another bucket for bait, as I didn't use solider & fiddler crab's any longer. All my fishing poles, because everyone knows you need more than one. Putting my wallet & keys in an oil skinned bag to protect them from getting wet, with a cork on it in case I dropped them overboard. Loading all this in my car, heading for my favorite fishing hole. After getting there, taking all this out of my car & making a couple of trips down to my fishing spot, I was finally ready to fish.

[0004] Every time I would think "There has got to be an easier way to do this", it was taking a lot of joy out of fishing, having to lug all this stuff back & forth. That's how I came up with "The Recreational Tote", an all in one unit, that you could carry your lunch & drinks in, that has a built in tackle box, that has a locked compartment to put my wallet, jewelry, keys, etc. in, By carrying a plastic bag in one of the compartments I now could place my catch in the food & drink compartment to keep them iced & fresh. It's a simple & uncomplicated invention, but it sure is a time, & temper saver. It's easy to carry, maintain & clean. I keep one in my car at all times, so if the notion hits me to go fishing, I'm ready to go in no time at all, I just stop & ice up, get some food & drinks, & I'm ready to go. It's not only handy for fishing & outings, but can be used for a variety of needs. It's nice looking, not at all bulky, & you can even sit on it while you fish, picnic, etc. Another feature of this "Recreational Tote" is I've devised a kit that can be added to any cooler, from the largest to the smallest to be converted easily into a "Recreational Tote".

## BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

[0005] The "Recreational Tote" is an all in one unit; that contains, a cooler, tackle, bait, & lock box. It provides a cooler for beverages, foods & bait, also a place for your catch. It has the convenience of a tackle box built in, plus a locking compartment to store important papers, like driver & fishing license, your car keys, or jewelry. Instead of lugging several separate containers with you, you have the built in convenience of several containers in one unit, which makes for better manageability & convenience. It has a variety of compartments that will adapt to varied needs. It is ruggedly constructed, easy to maintain & clean, & its portability makes it a good choice to use for any outing.

[0006] Also any cooler from the smallest to the largest can easily be converted to an all-in-one "Recreational Tote" with a kit I have devised, which will fit the inside or outside of the cooler of your choice.

## BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0007] I am submitting 8 rough drawings on my ideas of my invention "Recreational Tote", they are not to scale, they are to show the concepts of the variety of ways this all-in-one unit can be built.

[0008] Page one, drawing one, shows the outside of a cooler with a 3-inch drawer built on the bottom of the box.

[0009] Page two, drawing two, shows the inside of a cooler liner.

[0010] Page three, drawing three, top view, shows a drawing of a flat top that can be used on "Recreational Tote", bottom view of drawing three shows the front view of a flat top "Recreational Tote" with a compartment that locks.

[0011] Page three, drawing four top view, is of a rounded top to be used on "Recreational Tote", bottom view of drawing four, shows the front view of a rounded top "Recreational Tote" with a compartment that locks.

[0012] Page four, drawing five, shows a tackle box drawer, with a locked entry, & the different compartment in it.

[0013] Page five show a drawing of a "Recreational Tote" with a tackle box built into a flat top cooler.

[0014] Page six, shows a drawing of a flat top "Recreational Tote" with a tackle box built into the top of the unit, & 2 drawers to the right of the cooler unit, one with a locking mechanism.

[0015] Page seven, top view, shows a front view of a rounded top cooler with a 3½ inch locked drawer kit added to the bottom of any bought off the shelf unit. Bottom view shows inside compartments of locked drawer.

[0016] Page eight, top view, shows the "Junior Recreational Tote" front view, with flattop & locked drawer compartment, also view of compartments in drawer.

[0017] Page eight, bottom view, shows a "Recreational Tote" front view with cooler on top, locked drawer on bottom, and also a view of the compartments in the locked drawer.

[0018] Also I am enclosing some pictures of some units I made up, they are not professionally made, but you can get a rough idea of the "Recreational Tote" & it's many functions.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0019] The "Recreational Tote" is an all in one unit; that contains, a cooler, tackle, bait, & lock box. It provides a cooler for beverages, foods & bait, also a place for your catch. It has the convenience of a tackle box built in, a locking compartment to store important papers, like driver & fishing license, your car keys, or jewelry. Instead of lugging several separate containers with you, you have the built in convenience of several containers in one unit, which makes for better manageability & convenience. It has a variety of compartments that will adapt to varied needs. It is ruggedly constructed, easy to maintain & clean, its portability makes it a good choice for the beach, shore, boat, picnic, or any kind of outing,

[0020] Also any cooler from the smallest to the largest can easily be converted to an all-in-one "Recreational Tote" with a kit I have devised, which will fit the inside or outside of the cooler of your choice.

1. I Paul Lynwood Moree do hereby claim to be the sole inventor of "The Recreational Tote", an all in one unit that has many diverse uses, it has a built in tackle box, and it has a locked unit that can be used for valuables, important papers, keys, jewelry, etc, it has a cooler area that can be used for food & beverages, or place your bait & catch in,

when fishing, it is perfect for the beach, shore, boat, car, recreational vehicle, picnicking, hiking, camping or most any outing, it's size and shape make it a great companion to take with you to the mountains, shore, etc, the many compartments can be used in a variety of ways, ladies can keep their cosmetics in them, sewing needs, or small carry along hobbies, rock & arrowhead collectors has a safe place to put their precious finds, at an all day sporting or singing event, it gives you a place to sit & keeps your beverages & food cool, & handy, your able to save any leaflet that may be purchased or passed out, & store in a clean dry compartment, it even has enough room to carry a small portable cd player & several cd's, for your listening pleasure, how convenient when you want to go on a picnic, it can serve as picnic hamper, food, & beverage container, a place for your utensils, & a light groundcover all in one unit, if your into bug collecting you would even have a safe place to put them, the use of this all in one "Recreational Tote" is limited only to your imagination, another part of this invention is a kit I have devised that can easily be attached to any size cooler, from the smallest to the largest, a kit that can be use inside or outside the cooler to convert your own cooler or the cooler of your choice into a "Recreational Tote".

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