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(54) **FOUR RIVET PUCK**

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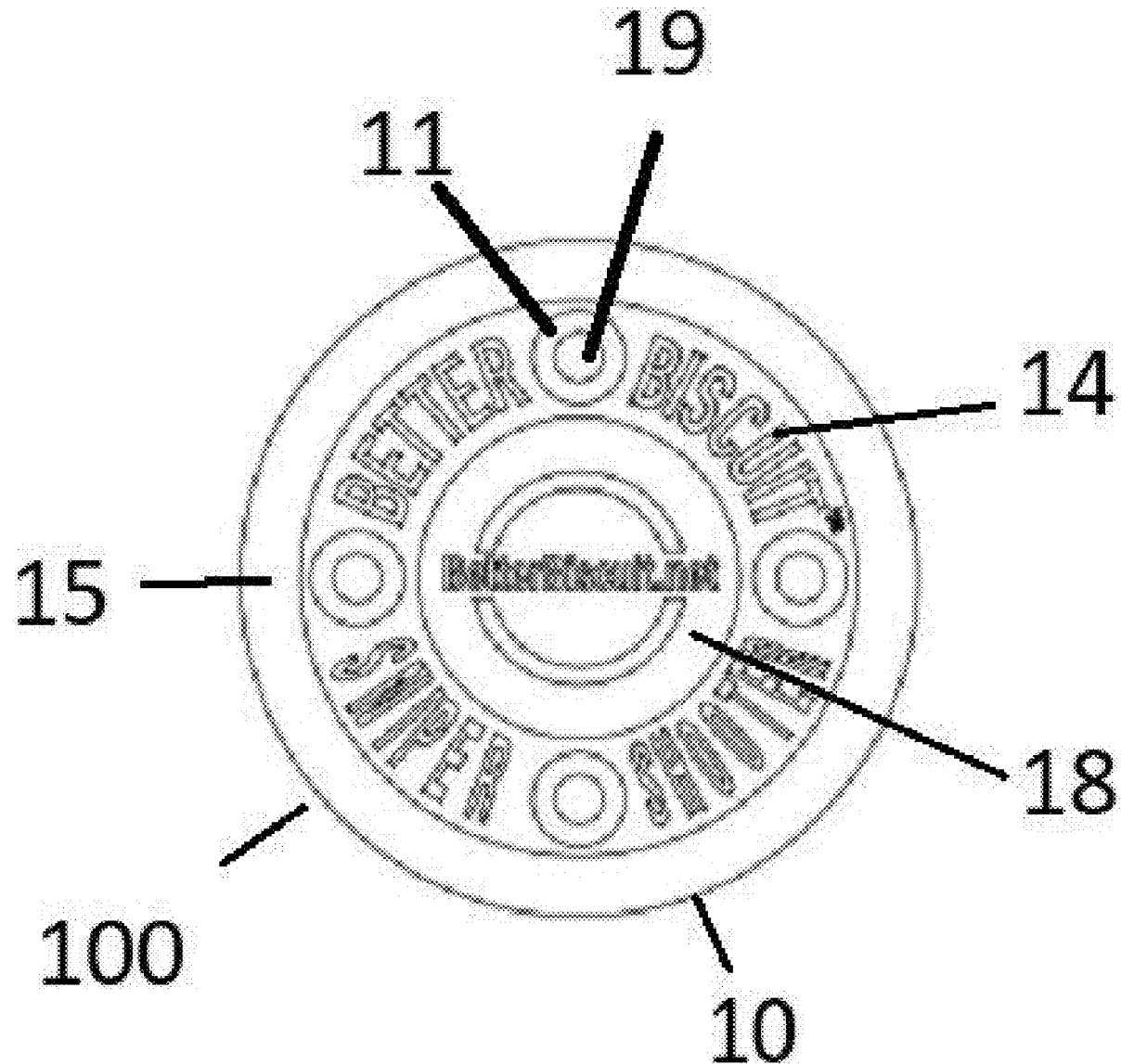
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

An improved hockey puck for use on unsmooth surfaces such as streets and parking lots. The puck is comprised of two equally sized disks with solidifying weights and where the disks have the same diameter of the standard hockey puck. These disks have a top and a bottom where the top has an inner and outer rim and the bottom is flat. The disks are connected to each other using four rivets with a spacing means between the disks.



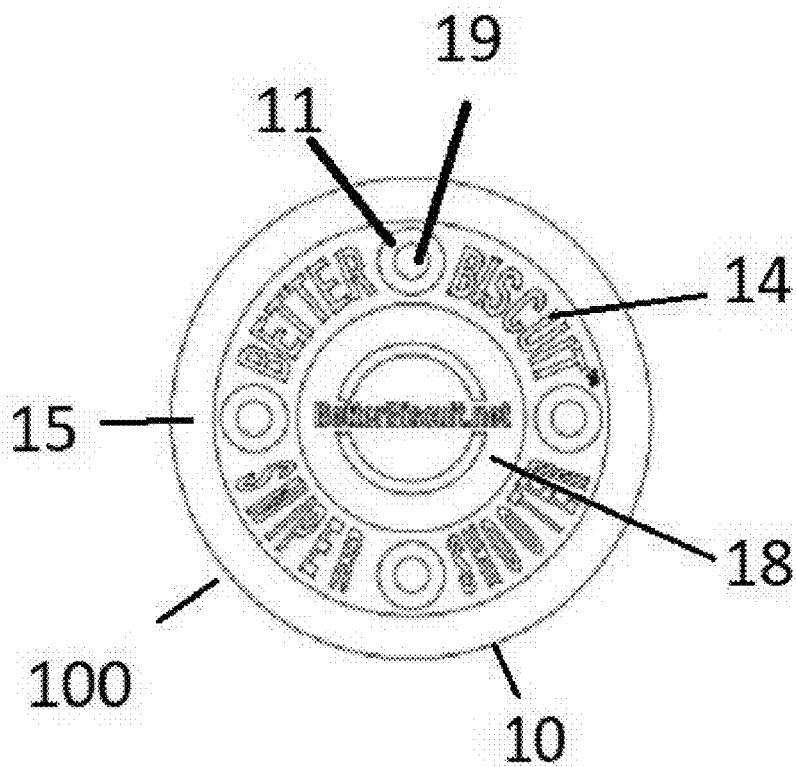


Fig. 1

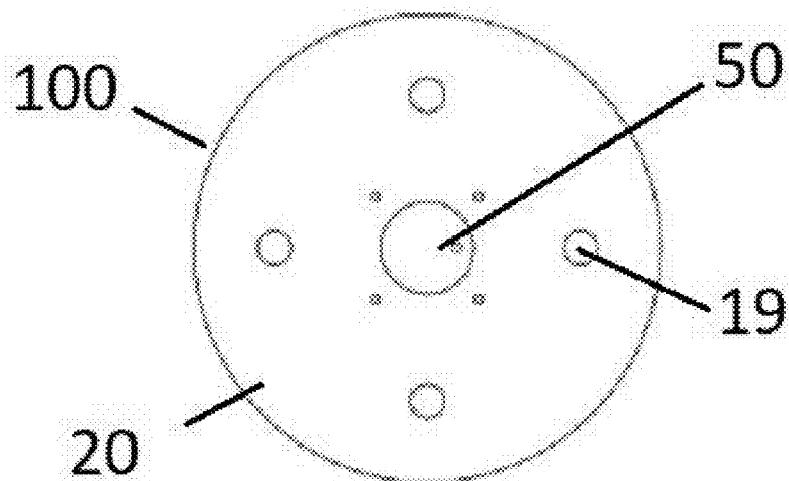


Fig. 2

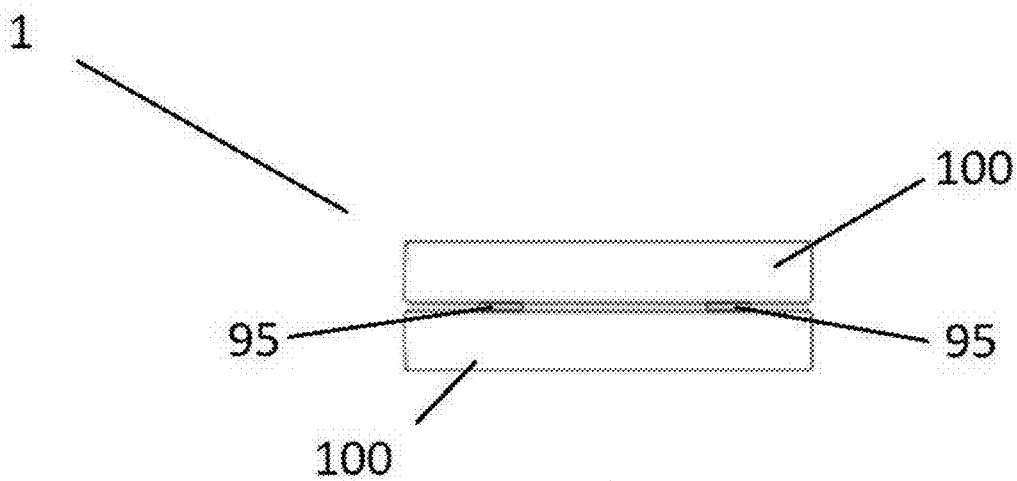


Fig. 3

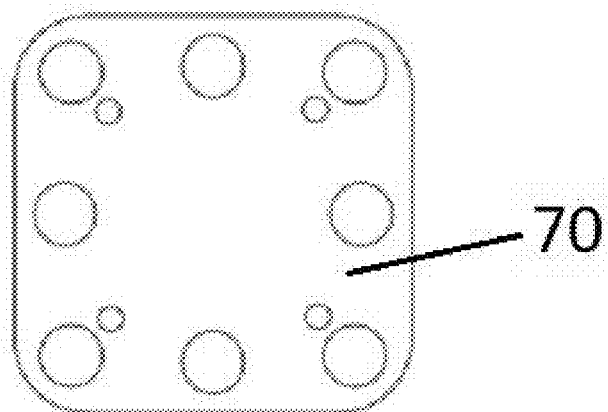


Fig. 4

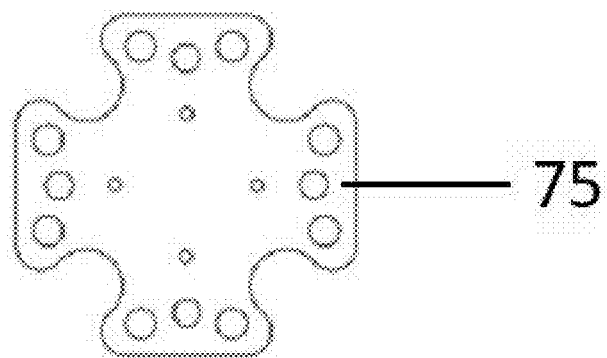


Fig. 5

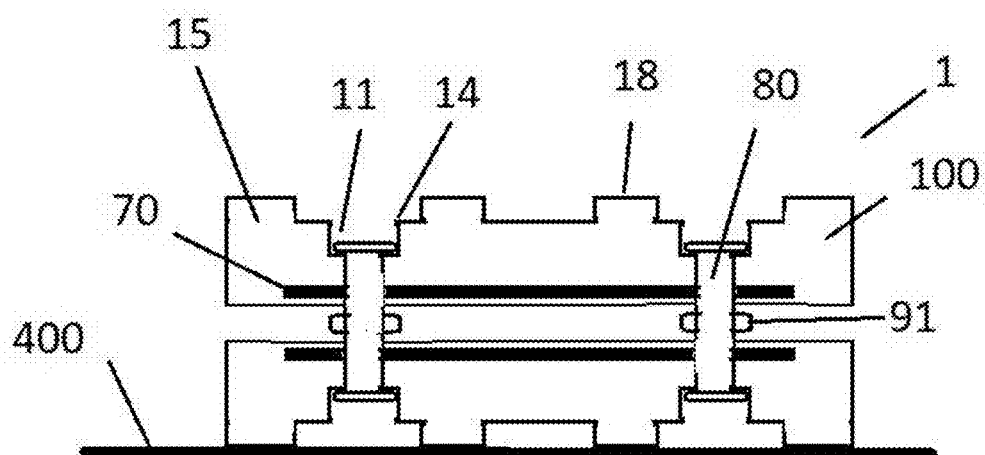


Fig. 6

FOUR RIVET PUCK**CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS (IF ANY)**

[0001] None.

BACKGROUND**1. Field of the Invention**

[0002] This invention relates to a street or hard surface puck and in more particular one with four rivets for better functionality.

2. Description of Prior Art

[0003] Hockey has become a very popular sport with a desire to play it on harder rougher surfaces. Standard hockey pucks will not work on these rougher surfaces as they are designed for the frictionless ice surfaces.

[0004] There have been numerous designs for these types of puck such as being made of plastic with multiple disks connected together but these all have issues with flexibility, stability, durability and accuracy.

[0005] There is still room for improvement in the art.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

[0006] The current invention is an improved hockey puck for use on unsmooth surfaces such as streets and parking lots. The puck is comprised of two equally sized disks where the disks have the same diameter of the standard hockey puck. These disks have a top and a bottom where the top has an inner and outer rim and the bottom is flat. The disks are connected to each other using four rivets with a spacing means between the disks.

[0007] Each disk will have a solidifying weights to add weight, durability and stability.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0008] Without restricting the full scope of this invention, the preferred form of this invention is illustrated in the following drawings:

[0009] FIG. 1 shows a top view of the puck disks;

[0010] FIG. 2 shows a bottom view of the puck disks;

[0011] FIG. 3 shows a side view of the puck with the two connected disks;

[0012] FIG. 4 shows one strengthen member design;

[0013] FIG. 5 shows another strengthen member design; and

[0014] FIG. 6 shows a cross cut of the puck.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

[0015] As shown in FIGS. 1 through 6, the current invention is a four rivet puck for use on hard surfaces like blacktop.

[0016] The current invention is lots consisting of two generally equal sized disks 100. The two disks 100 are the same with a top side 10 and a bottom side 20 as shown in FIGS. 1 and 2. The disks 100 are made of a strong, sturdy material like plastic. In the preferred embodiment, the disks 100 will have the same circumference as that of a standard hockey puck.

[0017] The bottom side 20 has a flat surface in the preferred embodiment as shown in FIG. 2. There may be a center circular opening 50 which will be open to the solidifying member 70, 75.

[0018] The top side 10 will have an outer raised ridge 15 and inner raised ridge 18. The outer raised ridge 15 is flush with the out rim of the disk 100. The inner raised ridge 18 is circular and within the outer raised ridge 15. The disk 100 has a recessed area between the outer raised ridge 15 and the inner raised ridge 18. There is also a recessed area within inner raised ridge 18. The top of the ridges are flat which allows the puck to smoothly travel on a surface 400 as shown in FIG. 6. The ridges reduce the area of the puck 1 that is touching the surface 400 reducing the potential friction. The recessed area 14 can have images such as writing, pictures or trademarks printed either in raised writing or some type of sticker.

[0019] The disks 100 will have four evenly spaced rivet holes 19. The rivet holes 19 have a larger diameter at the opening and with lips 11 mid-way closing to a diameter that is slightly larger than the radius of the rivets so that the rivets 80 catch the lips 11 and hold the two disks 100 together loosely as shown in FIGS. 3 and 6. In the preferred embodiment, the current invention would have a spacer means such as a spring 91 or compression disk 95 made of foam or similar material. The spacing means will keep the two disks 100 from touching each other. The two disks 100 will have their bottoms 20 facing each other.

[0020] Each disk 100 will have a solidifying weight 70, 75 embedded within them. These solidifying weights can be square 70 or cross 75 shaped. They are made of a sturdy, hard metal like steel or aluminum. They add strength to the disk 100 as well as weight for better play. The addition of the solidifying weights 70, 75 strengthen the disks and provide for longer life and durability. The solidifying weights will have a plurality of opening allowing for better connection to the disks 100. The solidifying weights 70, 75 will have a plurality of rivet openings that line up with the rivet holes 19 of the disks 100 so that the rivets 80 go through the solidifying weights 70, 75 for a more secure structure and design as shown in FIG. 6.

[0021] The rivets 80 connect the two disks 100 together loosely with spacing between the disks 100 as shown in FIG. 3 with the bottoms 20 of the disks facing each other. In the preferred embodiment the four rivet puck 1 would have a spacing means designed to adsorb the shock and energy when the puck 1 is hit or hits a surface. The spacing means would be around the rivet 80 between the two disks 100. These spacing means would absorb energy forces transferred between the two disks 100. The spacing means could be a foam disk 91, a spring 95 or another similar type mechanism. In the preferred embodiment each rivet 80 would have a spacing means.

Advantages

[0022] The four rivet puck 1 is designed to be more durable and better matching the play of an ice hockey puck. The four rivet design provides a more balance play on hard uneven surfaces.

[0023] Although the present invention has been described in considerable detail with reference to certain preferred versions thereof, other versions are possible. Therefore, the point and scope of the appended claims should not be limited to the description of the preferred versions contained herein.

[0024] As to a further discussion of the manner of usage and operation of the present invention, the same should be apparent from the above description. Accordingly, no further discussion relating to the manner of usage and operation will be provided. With respect to the above description, it is to be realized that the optimum dimensional relationships for the parts of the invention, to include variations in size, materials, shape, form, function and manner of operation, assembly and use, are deemed readily apparent and obvious to one skilled in the art, and all equivalent relationships to those illustrated in the drawings and described in the specification are intended to be encompassed by the present invention.

[0025] Therefore, the foregoing is considered as illustrative only of the principles of the invention. Further, since numerous modifications and changes will readily occur to those skilled in the art, it is not desired to limit the invention to the exact construction and operation shown and described, and accordingly, all suitable modifications and equivalents may be resorted to, falling within the scope of the invention.

That which is claimed is:

1. A device comprising:

A puck with two disks with a top and bottom side where the top side has a plurality of ridges and the bottom side is flat where the two disks are connected by four rivets with the bottom sides facing end other with a spacing means between the disks, and where the disk have solidifying weights with holes for the rivets.

2. The device according to claim 1 further comprising: where the spacing means go around the rivets.

3. The device according to claim 1 further comprising: where the spacing means is a foam washer.

4. The device according to claim 1 further comprising: where the spacing means is a spring.

5. The device according to claim 1 further comprising: where the solidifying weight is cross shaped.

6. The device according to claim 1 further comprising: where the solidifying weight is in the shape of a square.

7. The device according to claim 1 further comprising: where there is an outer ridge and an inner ridge.

8. The device according to claim 7 further comprising: where there is a recess area between the two ridges.

9. The device according to claim 7 further comprising: where there is a plurality of images within the recess area.

10. A device comprising:

A puck with two disks with a top and bottom side where the top side has an outer ridge and an inner ridge with a recessed area between and the bottom side is flat where the two disks are connected by four rivets with the bottom sides facing end other with a spacing means between the disks, and where the disk have solidifying weights with holes for the rivets.

11. The device according to claim 10 further comprising: where the spacing means go around the rivets.

12. The device according to claim 10 further comprising: where the spacing means is a foam washer.

13. The device according to claim 10 further comprising: where the spacing means is a spring.

14. The device according to claim 10 further comprising: where the solidifying weight is cross shaped.

15. The device according to claim 10 further comprising: where the solidifying weight is in the shape of a square.

16. The device according to claim 10 further comprising: where there is a plurality of images within the recess area.

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