**FIRST PITCH QUARTERBACK**

**USEFUL TIPS FOR PROPER OPERATION AND SET UP**

Loosen the 3 carriage bolts beneath the tires using the wrench. This will allow the tire mount/tire wing plates to slide back and forth in the crescent slide. Tighten down these bolts after making adjustments.

Standing on the operating side of the machine, for spirals, set the tires:

Left Tire: Pull/tilt upwards back toward you all the way so the rim and lug nuts are facing you.

Right Tire: Push/tilt forward and away from you all the way forward so that the rim and lug nuts are facing out towards the field.

Using the 4” long ratchet handle, adjust the machine to tilt back to allow the ball to shoot up and arch through the air.

Experiment with the settings and speeds. For the best spirals, run the machine between 30-50 positions on the dial. Start at that point and then experiment using different speeds.

Always place the ball tight and slid all the way back and inside of the cone with the laces facing up.

**Very important**: Always rest your finger tips or hand lightly on the top of the ball as you firmly (not slow and not fast) push the ball slide forward. Your finger tips or hand stops the ball from slipping up and out.

**Very important**: Soft, wet or deformed balls will not be accurate. Balls must have the maximum and proper air pressure.

Throwing footballs with the kick-off slide: position the tires so that they are level to the ground. Place the ball at a 45 degree angle in the slide. Again, hold the ball with your hand as you firmly slide forward.

Keep your machine clean; wipe it down to keep it free of dirt and dust. Clean the wheels regularly. If a brown/red stripe starts to form on the tire, clean it off.

Use medium grain sandpaper to keep the tire rubber “sticky”. Periodically check the air pressure in the tires; it should be between 17-20 psi.