**TIPS/POINTERS/MAINTENANCE FOR YOUR**

**FIRST PITCH SOCCER MACHINE**

1. Check the air pressure in your tires approximately every 3-4 weeks. Keep the pressure towards the lower end at 17 to 19 psi.
2. As you will see, the faster the wheel is going the more that it changes shape. Centrifugal force of the wheel spinning causes the tire to become skinnier. Take this into consideration when adjusting the space between the tires.
3. Scuff/rough your tires once in a while with a medium grain sand paper. This brings the “sticky” back to the tire. Just as a pencil eraser will get smooth without use, with use it becomes gummy again. Our machines are shipped with sleek, shiny, smooth tires. Rough them up to get a good grip on the ball.
4. Give the machine recovery time between dropping balls into the feeder tube. It takes a couple seconds for the motor to wind back up after throwing a ball.
5. Keep your tires clean of debris and free of build-up.
6. Do not leave the machine outside. Keep it dry and clean. Condensation can get into the motor and cause it to rust.