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Where In The World Did This Idea Come From, Part I?

My own character is one that enjoys quirky, unique and humorous gadgets. The idea for The Square Golf Ball® was discussed almost 20 years ago, when a co-worker was complaining about his putts always rolling past the hole. I suggested a square golf ball, and we all had a laugh. This concept stuck with me however. This time period was pre-Google search days – no fast way to search the globe over. I was limited to stores, catalogs and asking around. A year went by and I put this idea on the back burner. Every few years I'd take another stab at locating something like what I had envisioned, and each search showed no such item. The Internet was now a minor player in the searching. I was searching in hopes of buying one of these for myself. This pattern of looking around, aided by the Internet as its scope grew was a regular happening up until 2012. Early that year I again searched, and upon having no luck, thought about how someone would actually make this item. The first quarter of 2012 was spent putting ideas on paper. By April 2012 I had submitted my first patent application. The work began in earnest at that point. Not having any background in production or manufacturing, the entire process was new and a real education. By July 2012 my second patent was submitted. Then, the lengthy process began of actually digging to find the resources to help me make this a reality. Look for part II of this blog to learn the series of events that followed in my quest for The Square Golf Ball®.

