# ALTRAD BarOmix COMMODORE 5/3½, 7/5 & 10/7 Model CEMENT MIXERS



# **Operator's Manual**



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#### INTRODUCTION

This manual explains the proper operation of your machine. Read these instructions thoroughly before operating and maintaining the machine. Failure to do so could result in personal injury or equipment damage. Consult your Altrad BarOmix supplier if you do not understand the instructions in this manual.

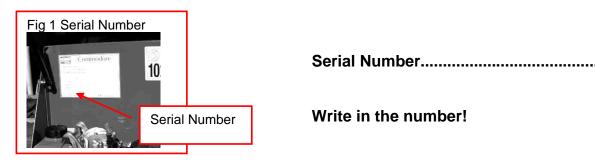
**Important note:** For operation and maintenance of the power unit, **ALWAYS** refer to the instructions on the unit itself and in the separate manual supplied with the machine. This manual does not include specific instructions for the power unit. Any instructions in this manual referring to an engine are for general example only. The power unit fitted

may be a different diesel or petrol engine from the one shown or an electric motor.



CAUTION! This symbol indicates important safety messages in this manual. When you see this symbol, be alert to the possibility of injury to yourself or others, and carefully read the message that follows and carry out the action that requires attention.

We recommend that you keep this manual with the machine. The serial number can be found on the instruction decal under the engine or motor cover (fig 1). Note it here and quote it in any communications. This is important when ordering spares. Remember to include all numbers and letters.



This manual covers the following models.

#### Commodore 5/3½, 7/5, 10/7 Standard and Highway Tow versions

The information in this manual is correct at the time of publication. However, in the course of development, changes to the machine specification may be made without notice. Should you find any information to vary from the machine in your possession please contact your Altrad BarOmix dealer for up to date information.

The manual may contain standard and optional features and is not to be used as a machine specification.

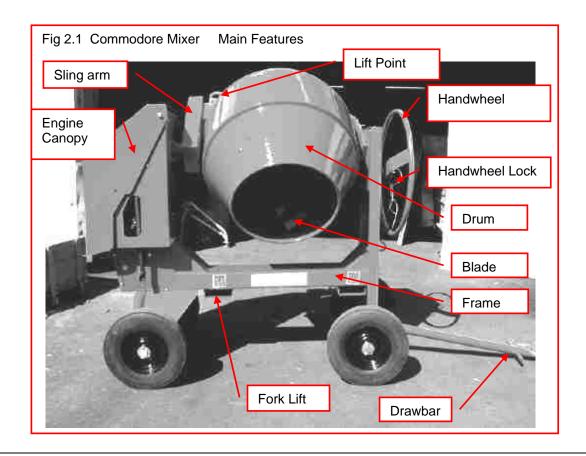
#### **PURPOSE**



CAUTION! This machine is designed solely to mix cement products and must not be used for any other purpose. The machine should only be used by trained operators who are familiar with the content of this instruction manual. It is potentially hazardous to fit or use any parts other than genuine Altrad BarOmix parts. The company disclaims all liability for the

consequences of such use, which in addition voids the machine warranty.

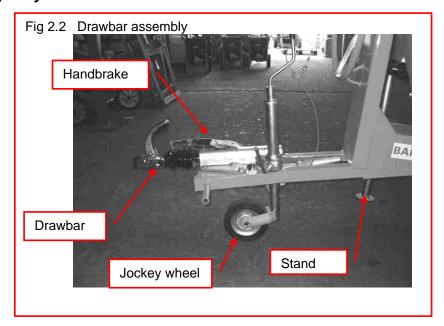
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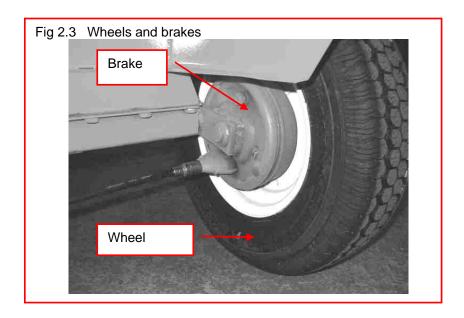


TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION Commodore Standard and Highway Tow models			ow models
Batch capacity	5/31/2	7/5	10/7
Unlimited Dry (Lt)	150	210	300
Mixed Wet (Lt)	105	150	210
Drum Speed (Rev/min)	24	24	24
Power Unit – diesel engine	Lister L	V1 Hand start air	cooled
	Yanmar ele	ctric start with re-	coil back-up
Power Unit – petrol engine		Honda GX 120	
Power Unit – electric motor	Single	e phase 110V or	240V
	or 3	phase 400/440V	e.f.c
Length (mm)	1700	1700	1850
Width (mm)	780	780	1140
Height (mm)	1640	1640	1640
Weight (kg)	390	440	600
Drum discharge height (mm)	660	660	510
- Mouth diameter (mm)	430	430	500
- Loading height (mm)	1140	1140	1240
Highway Tow	5/31/2	7/5	10/7
Length (mm)	2260	2310	2410
Width (mm)	1270	1270	1260
Height (mm)	1470	1470	1670
Weight (kg)	460	500	660
Drum discharge height (mm)	610	580	580
- Mouth diameter (mm)	430	430	500
- Loading height (mm)	1090	1170	1120

<sup>\*</sup>Dimensions subject to confirmation

### **Highway Tow model features**





#### **Noise**

Noise levels may vary depending on type of material being mixed. Noise emission tests have been carried out and the guaranteed maximum sound power level is displayed on the noise decal (located under the engine cover) typically as follows: **Lwa 102dBa** 

CAUTION! Operators must wear appropriate ear protection. Bystanders must be kept away from proximity of machine.



#### 3.1 ENSURE:

- 3.1.1 All Operators are fully trained in the use of their machine.
- 3.1.2 A training programme is available.
- 3.1.3 The Operators Manual and Power Unit Manuals are read and understood.
- 3.1.4 All guards are in place and in good condition.
- 3.1.5 All safety and instruction decals are readable.
- 3.1.6 All fasteners are checked regularly for tightness.
- 3.1.7 The machine is positioned on level ground and is secure from movement.
- 3.1.8 There is space around the work area.
- 3.1.9 No bystanders or tools are obstructing the work area.
- 3.1.9 Local laws are complied with.
- 3.1.10 Correct First Aid Kit is available on site.



#### 3.2 NEVER

- 3.2.1 Inspect or clean the machine with the engine running.
- 3.2.2 Refuel whilst the engine is hot.
- 3.2.3 Operate the machine without protective clothing (Eye protection, hard hat, and safety boots, high visibility clothing).
- 3.2.4 Operate the machine with untrained personnel.
- 3.2.5 Hold tools within drum whilst engine is running.
- 3.2.6 Touch or lean on rotating drum.
- 3.2.7 Leave the machine running unattended.
- 3.2.8 Stop the machine with a mix in the drum, except in emergency.

- 3.2.9 Operate the machine in a confined space or insufficient light.
- 3.2.10 Operate the machine whilst under the influence of drink or drugs.
- 3.2.11 Operate the machine if it is damaged or incorrectly assembled.

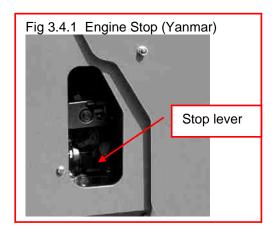


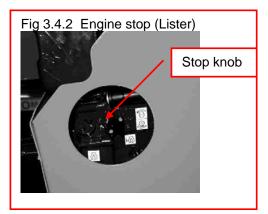
#### **3.3 ALWAYS:**

- 3.3.1 Check machine before starting (see Section 4 Preparation and Section 5.1 Operation: Pre-work checks).
- 3.3.2 Be aware of potential hazards in the work area, i.e. uneven ground, tree roots, trip/slip hazards, obstructions.
- 3.3.3 Wear protective clothing
- 3.3.4 Follow the instructions in this manual.
- 3.3.5 Stop the engine before refuelling.
- 3.3.6 Report any faults such as oil leaks.
- 3.3.7 Clean out the machine at the end of a shift.
- 3.3.8 Remove any keys and starting handles to prevent use by unauthorised users.
- 3.3.9 Service machine at specified periods. (see Section 6: Routine Maintenance).

#### **Electric Machines**

- 3.3.10 Connect with the correct size cable through a residual circuit breaker.
- 3.3.11 Check electric supply is earthed, safe, secure and correct voltage.
- 3.3.12 Check circuit is protected with a correctly rated fuse.
- 3.3.13 Disconnect supply before carrying out inspection, maintenance and repair.





#### 3.4 Safety Controls.

CAUTION! Power units may be different from example shown. Read instructions for engine or motor before use.

### 3.4.1 Engine Stop (fig 3.4.1)

Stop the engine as follows:

Yanmar: Depress red lever. (fig 3.4.1) Lister: Turn knob anticlockwise. (fig 3.4.2)

Except in emergency, always empty drum before stopping engine.

#### 3.4.2 Electric Motor (alternative)

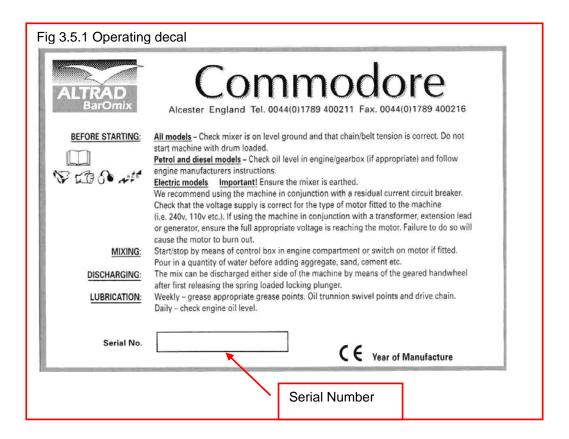
Depress STOP button and disconnect supply.

CAUTION! Do not restart until hazard has been removed.

#### 3.5 SYMBOLS on the MACHINE

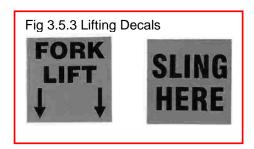
Before use read and familiarize all instruction decals on machine and power unit. Important! See separate manual for symbols on engine or electric motor.

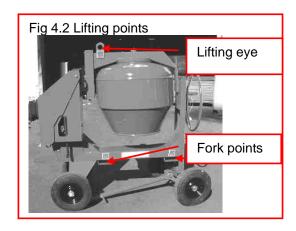
3.5.1 Large decal under engine cover gives brief operating instructions and machine serial number. Write this number into Section 1

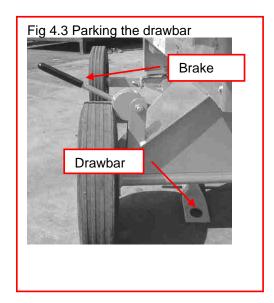


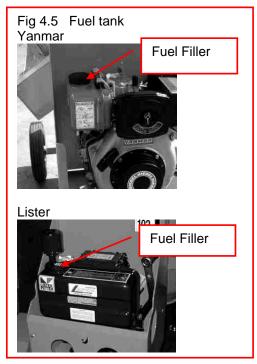
- 3.5.2 Noise level decal. See Section 1 for noise statement.
- 3.5.3 Lifting points are indicated by 'Fork Lift' and 'Sling Here' decals. See section 4.2 for instructions











#### 4.1 Transporting

4.1.1 Use a lorry or trailer to transport the machine any distance. Highway tow machines may be transported by drawbar.

4.1.2 Highway tow only. Check drawbar and tyres and brakes before towing on the road. Ensure stand is raised and secure.

CAUTION! Suitable chains, straps or ropes must be used to secure machine to a lorry or trailer.

#### 4.2 Lifting (fig 4.2)

- 4.2.1 Turn the drum fully downwards and lock handle.
- 4.2.2 Secure drawbar to handwheel.
- 4.2.3 Sling from lifting eye or use fork lift points under frame.

#### 4.3 Parking (fig 4.3)

- 4.3.1 Position the machine on level ground.
- 4.3.2 Apply brake to tyre.
- 4.3.3 Swing drawbar underneath frame to remove trip hazard.
- 4.3.4 Check machine is secure from any movement.
- 4.3.5 Clear any obstructions from the work space.
- 4.3.6 To move the machine, reverse this procedure.

#### 4.4 Parking Highway Tow model (fig 2.2)

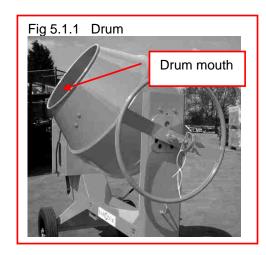
- 4.4.1 Position on level ground.
- 4.4.2 Apply handbrake (fig 2.2)
- 4.4.3 Level machine with jockey wheel adjuster.
- 4.4.4 Set and clamp stand.
- 4.4.5 Ease jockey wheel to transfer weight to stand.
- 4.4.6 To move machine, reverse this procedure.

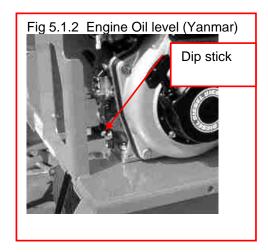
#### 4.5 Filling fuel tank (fig 4.5)

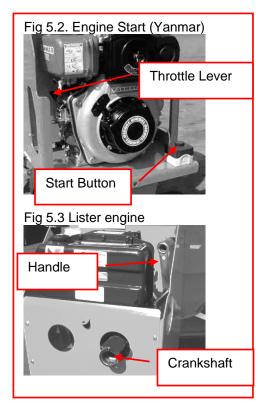
- 4.5.1 Lift engine cover.
- 4.5.2 Fill the fuel tank with correct fuel for the type of engine. See power unit instructions.
- 4.5.3 Lower engine cover.

#### 4.6 Electric Supply (Electric motor only)

4.6.1 Check that there is a safely earthed supply at correct voltage to reach motor. Incorrect voltage may damage motor.







#### 5.1 Pre-Work Checks

- 5.1.1 Check machine is level, secure from movement and stable.
- 5.1.2 Grip handwheel, pull back handwheel lock and turn handwheel with both hands to check swing of drum.

CAUTION! Weight of drum may cause handwheel to turn rapidly if not gripped firmly.

- 5.1.3 Lower drum until spout is accessible and inspect inside for cleanliness (fig 5.1.1).
- 5.1.4 Turn and release handwheel lock to lock drum in position.
- 5.1.5 Remove any loose material and dust from around engine.
- 5.1.4 Check engine oil level (fig 5.1.2) (See also power unit instructions).
- 5.1.6 Check work area.
- 5.1.7 Check **ALL** safety procedures have been followed.

#### 5.2 Starting Machine

CAUTION! Power unit may be different from version shown. Before use, read instructions for engine or motor, familiarize, and practice start and stop operations.

- 5.2.1 Check all other personnel are clear of machine.
- 5.2.2 Check that handwheel lock is secure.
- 5.2.3 Check drum is empty

# Yanmar engine with electric start (fig

- 5.2) (Refer to engine instructions)
- 5.2.4 Set throttle lever to RUN position.
- 5.2.5 Press green electric START button.
- 5.2.6 Lower engine cover.

A recoil start is fitted for use in event of electrical failure.

#### Lister engine

Locate starting handle and refer to engine instructions. Always replace handle securely in correct place and cover crankshaft.

CAUTION! The drum will start to turn as soon as the engine starts. Do not touch or lean on rotating drum.

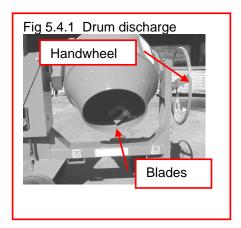
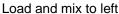


Fig 5.4.2 Typical drum positions





Discharge to left



Load and mix to right



Discharge to right



#### 5.3 Stopping Machine

- 5.3.1 Ensure drum is empty (except in emergency).
- 5.3.3 Press RED lever or button to stop engine or motor. See Section 3 (fig 3.4). 5.3.4 Wait for machine to stop.

#### 5.4 Mixing

- 5.4.1 Position drum as in fig 5.1.
- 5.4.2 Load water first.
- 5.4.3 Load approximately half the aggregates (stone).

CAUTION! Do not put shovel into drum. Keep tools clear of mouth.

- 5.4.4 Load cement.
- 5.4.5 Load sand.
- 5.4.6 Allow sand and cement to mix for approximately 30secs.
- 5.4.7 Load remainder of aggregate.
- 5.4.8 Allow mixing to complete, time will depend on mix proportions.
- 5.4.9 Grip handwheel, pull back handwheel lock and rotate to discharge mix (fig 5.4.1). 5.4.10 Release handwheel lock to secure

drum.

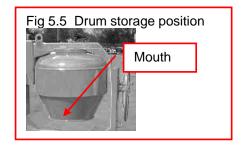
CAUTION! Unbalanced drum may cause handwheel to rotate rapidly unless gripped firmly.

Note: Mix may be discharged to either side of machine (fig 5.4.2).

CAUTION! Keep work area around the machine clear at all times and check only authorised personnel are present.

#### 5.5 On Completion Of Work

- 5.5.1 Thoroughly wash out drum with engine running.
- 5.5.2 Stop engine.
- 5.5.3 Clean down machine.
- 5.5.4 Park drum downwards (fig 5.5).
- 5.5.5 Move machine to release wheels from any mix residue on the ground.



#### **ROUTINE MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE**

Note: The power unit (engine or electric motor) requires regular daily maintenance to ensure satisfactory operation. As engine specifications vary it is important to refer to the correct engine or motor manual supplied with the machine. Full details for particular engines or motors are <u>not</u> given in this manual.

Action	Section	Page
DAILY		
Check engine oil level	Refer to engine instructions	
Check and clean engine air cleaner	Refer to engine instructions	
Check fuel level	Refer to engine instructions	
End of day, wash out drum with water and gravel – dislodge build-ups with hammer		

WEEKLY or 50 hours in addition to daily actions		
Grease all nipples and oil chains	6.1	6-2
Check all fasteners for tightness	6.3	6-3
Check battery if applicable	6.4	6-3
Highway Tow model only:		
Check drawbar and brake operation	6.5	6-4
Check tyre pressure, condition and wheel nuts	6.6	6-4

MONTHLY or 250 HOURS in addition to daily and weekly actions		
Change engine oil	Refer to engine instructions	
Check air cleaner and renew element if damaged	Refer to engine instructions	
Highway Tow model only:	_	
Adjust brakes	6.5	6-4

SIX MONTHLY or 1000 HOURS in addition to da	aily, weekly and mont	thly actions
Check drum drive chain tension and lubricant	6.8	6-4
Remove drum cap and grease	6.9	6-5
Remove drum and inspect bevel gears	6.10	6-5
Check gaskets and seals		
Highway Tow model only:		
Check wheel bearings, adjust and grease	6.7	6-4

Tyre Pressure (Highway Tow model only) 2.7 bar (40 lb/in²)

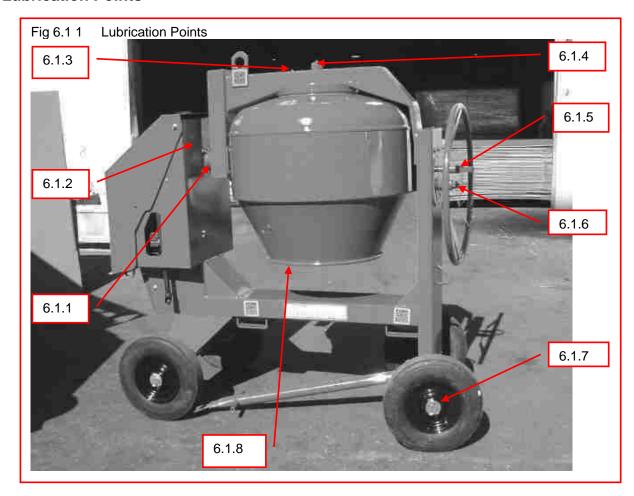
### **RECOMMENDED LUBRICANTS:**

Grease: Multi-purpose

Oil: Light general purpose for chains Engine: Refer to engine instructions

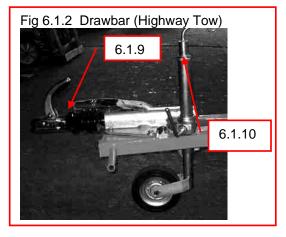
CAUTION! Electric models: Always disconnect electric supply before carrying out any maintenance.

# 6.1 Lubrication Points



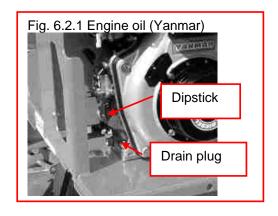
### Grease except where stated

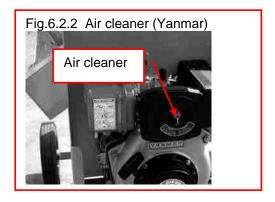
6.1.1	Swing arm (trunnion) bearing	1 nipple
6.1.2	Drive shaft bearing	1 nipple
6.1.3	Drum drive	1 nipple
6.1.4	Drum bearing	1 nipple
6.1.5	Handwheel lock	Smear with grease
6.1.6	Handwheel bearing	1 nipple
6.1.7	Wheel spindles	Smear with grease
6.1.8	Drum bearing (from inside)	Remove cover, pack with grease
6.1.9	Chains	Oil

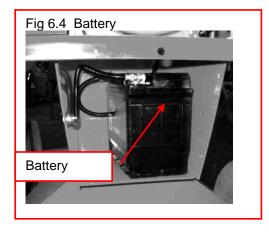


#### Highway Tow only

6.1.10	Drawbar	Nipple
6.1.11	Jockey wheel	Nipple
6.1.12	Wheels (fig 6.5)	Grease







# 6.2 Engine Always refer to engine or motor instructions!

#### **Daily**

6.2.1 Check oil (fig 6.2.1) and air cleaner (fig 6.2.2)

#### Monthly

- 6.2.2 Drain and replace oil.
- 6.2.3 Replace air cleaner element.

# 6.3 Fasteners Weekly

6.3.1 Check all components and fasteners for tightness. Pay special attention to drum blades and other rotating components.

CAUTION! Operation with loose components is hazardous.

## 6.4 Battery (fig 6.4)

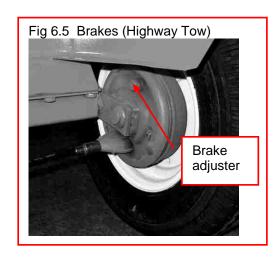
Machines with electric start include a battery situated under the engine platform.

## First 50 hours and then weekly

- 6.4.1 Remove cover
- 6.4.2 Slide out battery to access top.
- 6.4.3 Check electrolyte level and top up if required.
- 6.4.4 Slide back and replace cover.

CAUTION! Gases are explosive. Electrolyte is corrosive. Avoid sparks and spillage.

CAUTION! Always remove negative lead before positive when disconnecting battery.



## 6.5 Brakes (Highway Tow only)

**Weekly:** Check operation and effectiveness of overrun and handbrake.

6.5.1 Push drawbar to feel resistance.

6.5.2 Apply handbrake to feel resistance. **Monthly** 

6.5.3 Adjust brakes as follows.

6.5.3.1 Chock machine, release handbrake and check drawbar is fully extended.

6.5.3.2 Support both wheels off ground on axle stands.

6.5.3.3 Rotate each wheel forwards and turn brake adjuster clockwise until tight (fig 6.5).

6.5.3.4 Check brake linkage is free from slack.

6.5.3.5 Back off one notch and check wheel is free and repeat for opposite wheel.

CAUTION! Reverse rotation of wheel may prevent correct adjustment.

# 6.6 Tyres and Wheels Weekly

6.6.1 Check condition of tyres.

#### **Highway Tow model only:**

6.6.2 Check pressures and inflate to 2.7bar (40lb/in²) pressure as required.

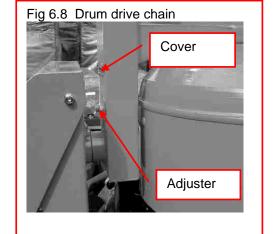
6.6.3 Check wheel nuts are tight to 110Nm (80lbft) torque.

# 6.7 Wheels (Highway Tow model only) Six monthly

6.7.1 Remove grease cap from hub.

6.7.2 Adjust bearings if required.

6.7.3 Repack with grease and replace cap.



# 6.8 Drum drive chain adjustment (fig 6.8)

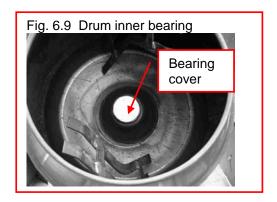
#### Six monthly

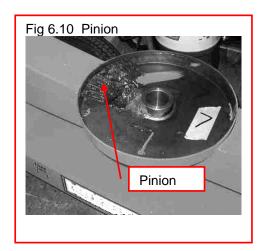
6.8.1 Remove cover to oil chain (weekly).

6.8.2 Slacken adjuster nut.

6.8.3 Reset adjuster to tighten chain.

6.8.4 Secure nut and replace cover.





# 6.9 Drum inner bearing (fig 6.9) Six monthly

- 6.9.1 Remove cover inside drum.
- 6.9.2 Clean and repack with grease.
- 6.9.3 Check seal and replace cover.

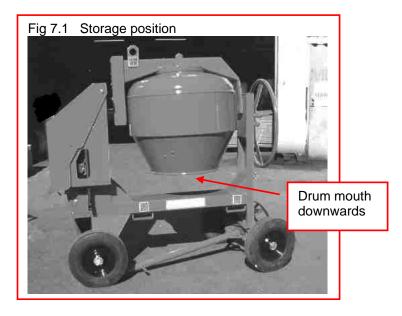
# 6.10 Drum removal Six monthly

To inspect bevel gears the drum is removed from the sling arm.

- 6.10.1 Position drum mouth upwards.
- 6.10.2 Secure drum with suitable lifting tackle or an overhead crane.
- 6.10.3 Remove nut.
- 6.10.4 Carefully lift drum clear of sling arm.
- 6.10.5 Inspect gears (fig 6.10), clean and regrease.
- 6.10.6 Replace drum and secure nut.

## 7.1 Storage

- 7.1.1 Thoroughly clean machine and note any replacement parts required.
- 7.1.2 Carry out monthly service if not already done. Refer to Section 6
- 7.1.3 Fit replacement parts when available.
- 7.1.4 Remove battery if applicable Refer to 6.4
- 7.1.5 Drain fuel Refer to engine instructions
- 7.1.6 Rotate drum to position with mouth facing downwards (fig 7.1).



#### 7.2 Removal from Storage

7.2.1	Charge battery (if applicable) and refit	Refer to 6.4
7.2.2	Check and service engine or motor according to su	ppliers instructions
7.2.3	Check tyre pressures (Highway Tow model)	Refer to 6.6
7.2.4	Check brake operation (Highway Tow model)	Refer to 6.5
7.2.5	Carry out machine maintenance as necessary	Refer to Section 6
7.2.5	Carry out machine preparation as necessary	Refer to Section 4

When the machine is finally scrapped, the following items should be disposed of only at authorised waste disposal facilities.

Engine oil. Battery. Tyres.

If in doubt, consult the local authority environmental department.

Any major non-ferrous items should also be disposed of separately.