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# THE CHAMPION CHRONICLE

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## Expertech Takes Delivery of Customized CP2000

In 1999 at the ICUEE and the Canadian Utility Show, the innovative OK Champion cable puller, the CP2000, made its debut. Built as a half-scale prototype designed to pull light cable in the 8,000-lb. range, the CP2000 is ideal for pulling fiber optic cable and light communication and power distribution cable... especially in situations where positioning directly over the manhole is extremely difficult.

Expertech Network Installation, via AMAC Equipment Limited, an OK Champion distributor based in Richmond Hill, Ontario, was the company that spurred the development of the new cable puller and, subsequently, was the first company to test the CP2000 prototype in "real life" situations.

In the summer of 2001, Expertech put the CP2000 to the test, and, in 6 days, the crew placed over 14 miles of fiber optic cable. Prior to the introduction of the CP2000, it was typical to place only 3,000 feet of cable per day.

"Due to the innovations on the CP2000, one person can efficiently set up in a vault without manually lowering a sheave into the hole and then tying it off to a pulling eye," said Bob Erwin, AMAC President. "Combine this with the CP2000's extended 'reach,' and the result is greater productivity on a consistent basis."

**For more information on the CP2000 and its performance capabilities, contact OK Champion President Paul Knoerzer at (219) 933-0510.**



***Expertech crews use prototype CP2000 demonstrator in field trials.***

Taking delivery of its customized CP2000 on August 25, 2002, the Expertech CP2000 is equipped with an array of options that has made it the new workhorse of the Expertech fleet, including:

- A Boss Industries' hydraulically driven 185 CFM air compressor
- A modified/reinforced Adams CD Lite winch
- A hydraulic collapsible reel drive motor
- A 500-gpm hydraulic submersible water pump package
- A 750 CFM manhole ventilator package
- Remote control work lights for night operation
- A Starstik arrow board for directing traffic around the operation
- A storage/dispensing reel for paying out pull tape

“OK Champion’s addition of a hydraulic capstan is a huge manpower and time saver,” commented Erwin.

The capstan is mounted on the boom near the pulling frame, so that it can be positioned over the manhole for easier pulling or mid-assists. In Expertech’s operation, pulling tape is strung from the duct to the drum of the winch. After pulling a section of fiber, the tape can be easily removed from the winch drum using the capstan. The capstan adds two extra functions to the CP2000 without requiring an additional vehicle.

OK Champion and AMAC are pleased to report that, to date, Expertech has placed approximately 738,000 feet – or 140 miles – of cable!



**Expertech crew utilizing new OK Champion CP2000**

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Rodder/puller accessories  
Reel loader accessories  
Cable scrapper accessories  
Cable pulling accessories

Parts are typically shipped within one to two days of receipt of your order. Since this is a new venture into the realm of on line ordering, we encourage your comments and feedback on how we can make this section of our web site a true time saver for your company!