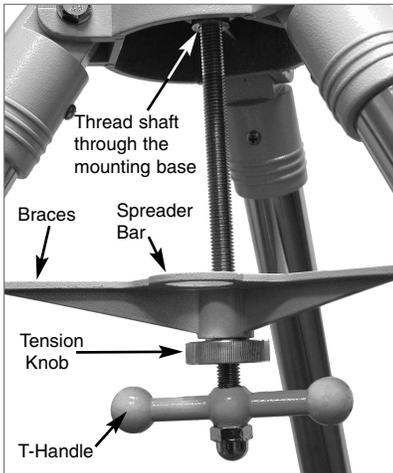
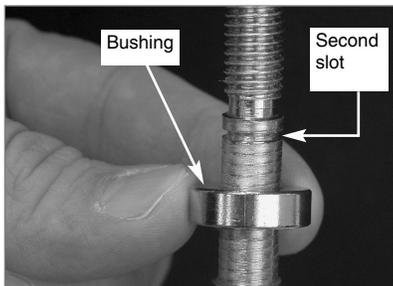


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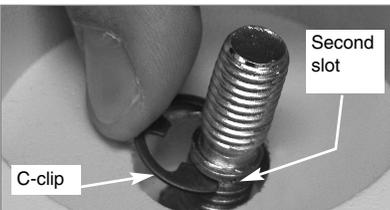
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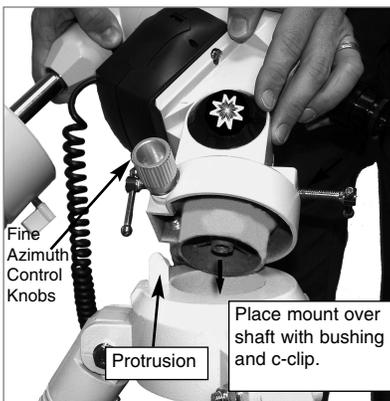
**Fig. 4:** Thread T-handle shaft into base. (See next page.)



**Fig. 5a:** Slide bushing over shaft.



**Fig. 5b:** Snap c-clip all the way onto shaft above mount (shown partially attached).



**Fig. 5c:** Attach the mount to the tripod.

The following replaces steps 1 through 4, page 11, in the printed LXD-75 manual. Figure numbers refer to Figures 1c and 1d, pages 4 and 5, in the manual, or are included on this page.

### How to Assemble Your Telescope

The giftboxes contain the optical tube assembly and the tripod with the equatorial mount. The accessories are located within compartments custom-cut into the styrofoam block inserts.

1. **Remove the components from the giftboxes:** Remove and identify the telescope's equipment. Refer to **Figures 1a through 1f** for images of the parts and the overall assembly of your telescope. When removing the tripod from the gift-box, hold the assembly parallel (horizontal) to the ground or the inner tripod leg extensions will slide out as they are not locked in place.
2. **Adjust the tripod legs.** Spread the tripod legs as far as they will open. See **Fig. 3**.
3. **Attach the spreader bar to the tripod with shaft:** Thread the tension knob onto the shaft (see **Fig. 4**). Place the spreader bar (**36, Fig. 1c**) over the T-handle shaft. Slide the bushing, the wide open side facing downward, onto the shaft as far as it will go (**Fig. 5a**). Then slide the shaft up through the tripod mounting base (**37, Fig. 1c**). Above the mount, snap the c-clip into the second, narrower pre-cut slot (see **Fig. 5a**) of the shaft (**Fig. 5b**).
4. **Attach mount to tripod base:** Place the mount over the tripod mounting base (**37, Fig. 1c**) and onto the shaft, with the protrusion on top of the tripod's base positioned between the fine azimuth control knobs (**27, Fig. 1d**). See **Fig. 5c**. If necessary, back off the azimuth control knobs wide enough for protrusion to fit between them.

Tighten the T-handle to a firm feel. This attachment keeps the tripod and the telescope mount securely in place. Then line up the spreader bar braces so that they are each touching one of the tripod's legs. Tighten the tension knob (**39, Fig. 1c**) to a firm feel. When you wish to collapse the tripod, loosen the tension knob and move the braces off the legs. You do not need to remove the T-handle/shaft.

**Continue with Step 5, as presented in the printed manual.**

### Meade Customer Service

If you have a question concerning your LXD75-Series telescope, contact the Meade Instruments Customer Service Department at:

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Customer Service hours are 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Pacific Time, Monday through Friday. In the unlikely event that your LXD75-Series telescope requires factory servicing or repairs, write or call the Meade Customer Service Department first, before returning the telescope to the factory, giving full particulars as to the nature of the problem, as well as your name, address, and daytime telephone number. The great majority of servicing issues can be resolved by telephone, avoiding return of the telescope to the factory. If factory service is required, you will be assigned a Return Goods Authorization (RGA) number prior to return.



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