





## Where You Least Expect *by Jason*

... crane that was scheduled for the second day, would be used to bolt the tower's cross bracing together. We had a good team including a welding teacher, intern, and two students from the school, and we made great progress.

Unfortunately, in the middle of the work the second day, the generator all of a sudden stopped sending power! We later determined that it was a circuit board that had gone bad (which there was no local replacement for) and we were out of luck. After spending several days looking around for alternative generators which could be rented, we had to give up and go back to Canchungo. Fortunately (and ironically), as we were packing up, the electrical contractor was stringing the power lines for the school out to the road, so it'll likely only be a few weeks before they have grid power and we can go back and finish the job by plugging in to that.

Working out in the swirling dust and sweltering sun of a recently clear cut and graded 30 acres made me mighty glad for the shade, protection, and stable electricity of the shop back in Canchungo!



*I had my suspicions when this rented generator pulled up. It was supposed to be a 10kva generator but only had a power plug capable of supplying 3kva. Unfortunately, my doubts proved correct the first time we started welding and the tired out old motor bogged down. On to Plan C!*

## Recent sights



*The project land is everything we could have hoped for except for lacking one important feature: mango trees! This was one of four we planted two years ago, and has been slow. Fortunately, a recent drip irrigation system has brought some new growth!*



*Cashews grow on trees, and have just started appearing on the many trees at the land! The nut shows up first, and then the cashew apple (usually yellow or red) will grow behind it.*



*On a recent trip we had an impressively shredded flat tire! Local guys can patch a vast array of punctures, but this tire is toast!*



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