

What's New in GRAZIER'S GEAR

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Field Drinker

Pride of the Farm's DuraPride 85 Gallon Field Drinker can be used for medication. One of the most recognized names in animal watering is Pride of the Farm. Of the 30 some drinkers the company manufactures, one is designed specifically for watering swine (or any small animals) on pasture with the capability of medicating, as well. Model WFD85 features high density polyethylene and stainless steel construction. Hindered amine light stabilizer, the most effective ultraviolet inhibitor, is added when the poly tank and base are molded. With the other components being series 304 stainless steel, there is no rust or corrosion.

For medicating, there are bold markers for every 10 gallons and then there is a top marker showing when you have filled 85 gallons, the capacity of the drinker. The water level is easy to read through the translucent tank. There is also a fill line in the trough so that when the valve is adjusted to fill to the trough fill line, the gallon markers on the tank are accurate. There is one 2-inch drain in each of the two drink openings. The corners are rounded and smooth. These details contribute to accurate medicating, complete cleanout and drainage. There are two drink openings on opposite sides of the base and tank, each 15 inches high, 13.3 inches wide and eight inches deep. There are four notched flanges for easy anchoring. There is an eight inch diameter threaded cap which has a 1 1/4 inch port with a pop-out plug. The pop-out plug allows the installation of a top fill valve if desired (not included) or to thread the cord of a heater. A heater (not supplied) can be added to the tank or can be installed in the base. Approximate capacity is 100 head of swine being finished. The base diameter is 34 1/2 inches; tank diameter 32 inches. The overall height is 35.8 inches and the drink height is 8 inches. Shipping weight is 59 pounds.

The drinker is offered through Pride of the Farm dealers and is also sold through FarmTek catalog (their stock number 106142). Pride of the Farm's 85 gallon field drinker is built to take more kicking abuse than any pigskin. For more information, contact Pride of the Farm Division, Hawkeye Steel Products, Inc.

Sabetha, Kansas, recently unveiled their newest product, the Krogmann Feeder Trailer, designed to efficiently transport and feed large round bales to cattle on location.

This feeder trailer was built to keep hay waste at a very minimum. Results have shown the Krogmann to save between 20 to 30% of hay over conventional hay feeders. The racks will fold flat for moving hay off fields and they quickly fold in feeder position saving time.

Load and haul or feed without getting off your tractor. Each model can hold and feed several large round bales. Trailer level height allows cattle easy access to hay with less waste, saving fuel, time and hay. The standard size feeder trailer comes in 20' or 28' lengths. For more information, contact Julie Krogmann, Krogmann Mfg., 877-745-3783, jfrogmann@yahoo.com, 1983 X Road, Sabetha, Kansas 66534.



Corral Designs

Historically one of the most dangerous places in a corral has been the crowd pen—as most pen designs require you to get in with the cattle.

When you're working cattle alone in a corral, an accident can have serious consequences. The idea is to keep your tender 180 lb. body separate from 1,200 lbs. of burly beef—as much as possible.

Corral Systems' new crowd pens have a central working platform placing you right in the middle of the pen—but in perfect safety. And the solution was simple. A fairly simple alteration to the gate design! The pen designs are for small to larger herds.

Also, Corral Systems uses eight ways to entice cattle into and through the corral—right up to the head gate. This makes their corrals low-labor and low stress, and therefore much safer for cattle and handler alike. Plus they'll show you 30 ways to reduce material costs when building a corral, 15 ways to make any corral safer, eight ways to improve cattle flow in an existing corral and the 20 most common faults in corrals.

Corral Systems' website has over 50 unsolicited testimonies from cattlemen all over the USA (and many more world-wide) telling them how much they enjoyed the innovative ideas, and how thrilled they are with how their new One-Man corrals work.

For the best corral ideas from 'downunder,' email john@OneManCorrals.com.



Nose Pumps

The Frostfree Nosepump is the energy free solution to livestock watering—a product that helps the environment and saves money. Frostfree Nosepumps Ltd., Rimbey, Alberta, manufactures and markets a cost-effective livestock watering system that solves year-round watering problems on ranches across North America. Recent testing in a research trial at Olds College School of Innovation provided positive results, summer and winter. By installing the pump according to directions, no power or heat source is required. It will operate year long, even in northern climates by using heat from the ground. Ideal in remote locations where power is not available, this pump offers many management opportunities to keep livestock away from the yard, even during the colder months, keeping costs of production down.

The pump can be used over a well, trenched from a dugout, spring or pond, or connected to a pressure line. Each situation is slightly different; individual inquiries are welcomed. No livestock backwash water is allowed to drain back down into the water source, protecting it from contamination. Whether watering from a well or a pond, the cattle always have clean, cool water which translates into healthier cattle, better rates of gain and a cleaner environment. Once installed, this system operates cost free. Over the past 11 years, the pumps have proven to be reliable with very little maintenance or attention. For more information, contact Frostfree Nosepumps Ltd., Jackie Anderson, 866-843-6744, info@frostfree-nosepumps.com, Box 675, Rimbey, AB T0C 2J0.

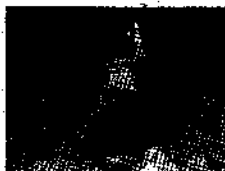
SGF Schools Offered

The Stockman Grass Farmer is having a series of very special schools this winter designed to help professionalize the North American grass-fed industry. These schools are limited to only 25 attendees to maximize personal interaction and all three will come with a sizable personal workbook. If you are ready to take your grazing operation to the next level, these schools are for you.

Grazier's Business School

Taught by Allan Nation and the staff of the Stockman Grass Farmer, November 10, 11 and 12.

This school is designed for graziers who are ready to turn their operation into a true business. It is designed to show you how to structure your operation into a flexible overhead, wide-margin, high profit per unit of production operation that can grow without outside debt. It covers holistic business structures, legal structures, minimize taxation, personal accounting, performance, pay issues and family business issues all in the context of a



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