

Hide-Away Pouch For Cowboy Hats

A new product for keeping valuables high and dry underneath a cowboy hat debuted at the National Western Livestock Show at Denver in February.

Called the Hide-Away Pouch, it's the brainchild of Canadian rodeo and horse enthusiast, Barrie Bakstad, who began selling the pouches in western Canada earlier this year.

"They've been selling very well in the western wear stores in our area," Bakstad says. "There's talk that I may get 50,000 orders from the annual Calgary Stampede rodeo. We're also negotiating with the

Royal Canadian Mounted Police to sell pouches to them. And the military is interested as well."

Made of a soft fabric, the 3 by 4-in. Hide-Away Pouch attaches to the inside of cowboy or dress hats with a strip of velcro.

Hide-Away Pouches sell for \$10 (Canadian). Bakstad is looking for a U.S. distributor or distributors.

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Nifty Dispenser For Tiny Seeds

"You can plant hard-to-handle tiny flower and vegetable seeds without overplanting or underplanting with our new handheld seed dispenser," says William Nicol, Stratford, Conn.

The "Tiny Tim" seed dispenser consists of a 4-in. long clear plastic vial with a nylon cone at the bottom and a plastic knob on top that controls a rod with a channel in it. To fill the vial you unscrew the cone from the bottom. To plant seeds, you hold the vial at an angle so you can see how many seeds fall into the channel, then use your thumb to trigger the knob so that seeds drop out the bottom of the cone.

"It's great for working in gardens, patios, greenhouses, etc.," says Nicol. "Dispensing and spacing seeds accurately helps eliminate the need to thin out plants later. You can dispense one seed at a time - no matter how small - even if there's more than one seed in the channel. The nozzle can be adjusted to plant everything from large radish seeds to small carrot or lettuce seeds. I made it because I wanted to plant tomatoes in pots and trays to get them off to an early start. I had trouble feeding them in my hand so I often overplanted or underplanted. It works for all small flower



and vegetable seeds. It's also a valuable aid for people suffering from arthritis." Sells for \$4.95 (plus \$1 S&H).

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Nicol & Associates, 65 Newtown Ave., Stratford, Ct. 06497 (ph 203 375-1067).

"Mooing" Ice Cream Scoop

You won't forget where it came from when dip this new "mooing" scoop into a container of ice cream.

As you tip the scoop down, it lets out a loud "moo".

Scoop is 9 1/2-in. long and runs on two AA batteries. Suggested retail is \$12.95. You can order direct by mail for \$9.50 including S&H.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Maes Country Collections, Box 1372, Holland, Mich. 49422 (ph 800-253-3093).



New Products Especially For Women And The Farm, Ranch Home



Wheelbarrow Trailer Great For Yard Work

"It does a lot less damage to our yard than a tractor with front-end loader or a skid steer loader," says Rod Slotten, Verona, Wis., about the dumping wheelbarrow trailer he built using the frame of an old riding mower.

"I used the frame and wheels from the mower, and mounted an old wheelbarrow on top with a hinge at the back end of the trailer so that it dumps its load just behind the rear wheels. It's so sturdy I've used it for picking rocks in the field. The front steering axle makes it follow in the tracks of the garden tractor."

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Rod Slotten, 6654 Grandview Rd., Verona, Wis. 53593.

Farm Checkerboard Table

Here's a new twist on a favorite old game - checkerboard tables with tractors and barns as playing pieces.

It's the brainchild of Indiana farm wife Jan Kapp, who says it's great fun for both adults and kids.

The collapsible table measures 11 by 14 in. and stands 15 in. high. Made of poplar, each table is hand cut and painted. Playing pieces can be custom-made to match the brand of tractor you prefer. A farm name can also be painted on the side of the barns.

Table and 24 playing pieces sell for \$45. Measured drawings for do-it-yourselfers are \$7.50. S&H additional.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Jan Kapp, 9250 East 200 South, Greentown, Ind. 46936 (ph 317 628-3198).



Fork "Tongs" Make Clean Up A Breeze

You can pick up piles of leaves, straw and other lightweight materials quickly and easily with new Handy Forks, which consist of two garden forks hooked together like tongs, says inventor Rich Snouse.

They sell for \$39.95 (special FARM SHOW price), plus \$6.20 per item for \$2.4 H

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Handy Forks, 6223 Knollwood Rd., Springfield, Ohio 45502 (ph 1-800-467-3398 or 513 969-8138).

