



Telescoping gooseneck lengthens to pull planter in-line behind the tractor.

CHANGES FROM FIELD TO TRANSPORT IN 5 MIN. OR LESS

Shop-Built Transport For Max-Emerge Corn Planters

There's no need to unhook from the tractor or uncouple hydraulic lines to move in and out of field position with a new hydraulic transport built for an 8-row Deere Max-Emerge by Indiana farmer Doyle Scott and his three sons, Ray, Robert and Terry.

"One man can change from field position to transport in 5 min. or less. It's much simpler and less complicated than other expensive transport systems on the market," says Scott, who farms near Hoagland.

Key to the transport is a telescoping gooseneck that lengthens for transport to pull the planter in-line. "Starting from planting position, you first lock the planter wheels with a short chain so they don't come down when you lift the planter. You also pull a pin to unlatch the telescoping tongue. The second step is to drive forward to lengthen the tongue. Then you lower the

transport wheels, locking the two main transport wheels into position. A large cylinder pulls the planter sideways, riding on a small pivoting end wheel, to a locked position against the tongue. The last step is to reverse the action of the transport cylinder valve to raise the small end wheel. Once in transport position, it'll go through any opening the tractor can fit through," explains Scott.

The planter transport required no modification of the planter. It attaches to the frame with four large bolts. Scott and his sons also made a fertilizer fill auger for the planter from heavy gauge plastic pipe which will fill the planter from either end.

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Nylon Harness For Horses

A Tennessee couple that farms with draft horses has developed a booming business making and selling nylon harness for draft and pleasure horses.

Debbie Evans and Ron Schaaf, Crossville, Tenn., have used nylon harness on their own farm for 4 years, testing all designs in the field.

"Nylon is lighter, stronger, easier to clean, easier to adjust and it's generally about one-third cheaper," says Schaaf. "The draft horse business is very traditional. People have always used leather and have been reluctant to change in the past. We're doing a booming business, however."

Evans and Schaaf make all types of harness for farmwork, buggies, show, logging and so on. The harness uses a mix of nylon, polypropylene and plastic as well as leather on some wear pieces or backing. Some larger components, like the collars, are also made from leather.

"One question people have about nylon

harness is whether it will wear the hair off a horse. We have found this doesn't happen any more often with nylon than with leather. Usually you can trace hair loss to improper adjustment of the harness," says Schaaf.

Nylon harness requires virtually no maintenance. It's far lighter and stays pliable even in the coldest temperatures. Schaaf says that although the oldest nylon harness they own has only been in use for 4 years, they feel it should last as long or longer than leather harness. "Good leather harness that's taken care of properly should last 20 years of regular use. The problem is that most people don't take care of it so that the lifespan of the harness is greatly reduced," says Schaaf.

For a catalog of available harness, send \$2.00 to: FARM SHOW Followup, Deb's Stitch 'N Hitch, 884 Old Mail Rd., Crossville, Tenn. 38555 (ph 615 484-2203).



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THEY'LL PUT YOUR NAME OR FAVORITE ANIMAL UP THERE

Custom Roofing Company Puts "Artwork" On Barns

An Indiana roofing contractor doesn't charge any extra to farm customers for putting customized artwork on barns when roofing.

Tom Rentschler, who works for the Sherriff-Goslin Co., got into "barn art" a couple years ago when a customer asked if he could put the design of a trotting horse on his barn roof.

"I didn't have any artistic experience or ability so it took me a while to figure it out," says Rentschler, who plots each design shingle by shingle on paper before starting the job. Since his first horse design, he's done cows, chickens, turkeys, pigs, and ears of corn. Often, he says, people just want the family or farm name on the roof but others only want artwork because the name would have to be changed if they sold the farm.

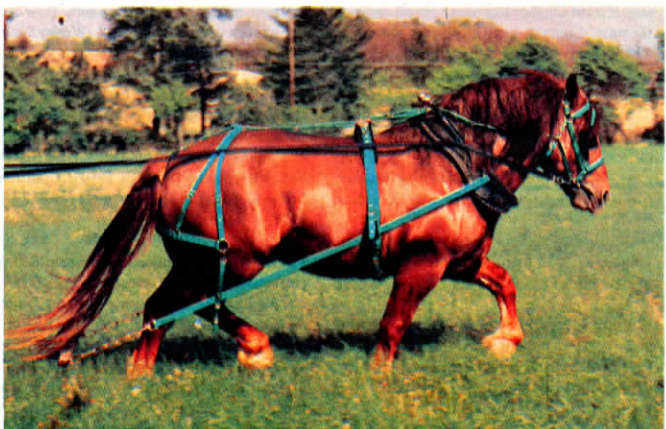
Rentschler spends as many as 30 hrs. working out each design once the farmer tells him what he wants. He works from breed magazines but notes that each design varies depending on the size and shape of the roof. He put four farm animals on one round barn roof, for example.

The Sherriff-Goslin Company has branch offices in Indiana, Ohio, Illinois and Michigan. The company uses an interlocking shingle that comes in various shades of green, brown, red and grey. Rentschler farmed for 15 years before he went to work full-time with the roofing company.

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Any design or message can be worked out in shingles on roof.



Nylon harness is lighter and stays pliable in even the coldest weather.