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Do You Know This Twine Tie Knot?

Garry Brown would like to rewrite the section about baling twine knots in the manuals that come with balers.

"All the baler manufacturers tell you to tie square knots when adding a new roll of twine," he says. "Unless you really cinch it tight, it bounces in the baler a long time and often comes undone. What I suggest is using a tapered overhand knot."

The Genola, Utah, farmer has had plenty of practice since he puts up 3,000 big 3 by 3 square bales a year.

Brown overlaps the ends of the twine strings and ties them to each other with a single overhand knot.

"You pull the two knots together and you rotate them so they nest nicely together," he explains. "It makes a beautiful knot sloped on the ends. It won't come undone, and it'll go through the baler smoothly."

Koehn's Unique Livestock Products

"Whip Flag" New Way To Move Livestock

New Whip Flag is highly visible to livestock and lets you easily sort animals without handling them roughly.

The Whip Flag consists of a 12 by 13-in. fabric flag attached to either a 50 or 60-in. long, polypropylene-coated shaft. It's available in red, blue, orange, green, or gold. Sells for \$12 plus \$5 S&H.

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"Whip Flag" consists of a fabric flag attached to a flexible polypropylene-coated shaft.



Drive-Thru Electric Gate

The Koehn family began their ag equipment company 40 years ago with this now-famous Drive-Thru Electric Gate.

You can simply drive through the spring-loaded gate from either direction with any vehicle without ever having to stop and open or close the gate. Uses any electric fence controller. One spring on each arm brings them back to position after you pass through.

Sells for \$169 for a 13 to 19-ft. adjustable gate or \$179 for an 18 to 24-ft. gate.

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Aluminum Kalf Katch



Spring button locks Kalf Katch at 5 ft. It also telescopes out to 10 ft.

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Fix Your Own Air Conditioning

If your air conditioner has lost its charge or if you're looking for an alternative to the new, more expensive freon replacements, you might want to take a look at what's available from TCB Technologies, a Canadian research company.

Their Red Tek 12a Refrigerant is an approved replacement for the old R12 and R12 substitutes and an economical replacement for the new R134a. Red Tek 12a is an alkane refrigerant, as opposed to CFC and HFC types that have been blamed for ozone depletion.

Red Tek 12a is compatible with the o-rings, seals, hoses and oils in both R12 and R134a systems. Unlike R134a, Red Tek 12a is non-toxic and non-corrosive.

And, since it has larger molecules than the gases it replaces, it is easier to pump through the system. "Because of this, the air conditioner compressor will run cooler. And it's less likely to leak from the air conditioning system as well," says Gary Grenzke, a TCB researcher.

"Because the molecules are larger, you also

need less product to charge the system," adds Mel Brown, a Johnstown, Colorado, distributor who markets Red Tek 12a in the U.S. "Six ounces of Red Tek 12a has the same cooling capacity as 18 oz. of R12 or 16 oz. of R134a."

Red Tek 12a is available in 6-oz. cans, which are the same size cans other refrigerants are sold in, and also a 12-lb. cylinder, which is the equivalent of 36 lbs. of R134a. Cans sell for \$7.95. Cylinders are \$197.40.

As with any refrigerant, you should follow all local and federal regulations in handling Red Tek. Brown has a tap and hose adapter kit for installing Red Tek 12a, as well as the appropriate adapter fittings.



Available in 6-oz. cans, Red Tek Refrigerant is an alternative to the new, more expensive freon replacements.

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ProSeal

Another new product from Mel Brown is ProSeal advanced seal treatment for air conditioner systems.

ProSeal is a formulated system designed to seal leaks in both metal and rubber parts of air conditioning and refrigeration systems, improving their efficiency. It's chemically activated by moisture at the leak site to form a permanent seal. Sells for \$18.50 per can.



LeakStop

O-ring and seal failure cause 80 percent of refrigerant loss. LeakStop is a new product that makes seals pliable again, stopping most system leaks. One 4-oz. can treats any car, truck, tractor or combine. Sells for \$8 per can.



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