

## Heavy-Duty Lawn Mower Lifts

If you've ever thought about getting a mower lift, check out the Pro-Lift. It uses a foot-operated bottle jack to provide up to 20 in. of clear working space. The unit can safely lift up to 350 lbs. of front axle weight to full working height, making blade sharpening, belt replacement and debris removal safer and easier.

The lift rides on 4 small steel caster wheels. It's equipped with a pair of rubber-coated saddles that support the mower's front wheels, and a foot pedal-operated 2-ton bottle jack. You drive the mower wheels up onto the saddles, then pump the foot pedal until the mower is at the desired height.

Push button adjustable baskets allow you to move the saddles out to 48 in. or inside to 15 in., allowing the lift to be used with any size mower. Dual mechanical auto-locks prevent the mower from slipping or becoming unstable.

"It has no pins to pull or any adjustments to make," says Seth Derstine, SFA Companies, Kansas City, Mo. "There are locking mechanisms on either side of the bottle jack,

so as the mower is being lifted they lock in place with every couple of pumps you make."

The T-5350B model retails for \$199.99.

The company also offers 2 commercial grade models, the T-5500 and T-5501. Both are equipped with the wheel saddles as well as a rubberized steel saddle center that can be used to lift the mower's frame from the front deck or rear chassis. They have 750 lbs. of axle capacity on the center platform and 500 lbs. on the saddles.

The T-5501 is available with an air-powered option that uses compressed air to operate the bottle jack. "It lets you use your air compressor or the compressed air lines in your shop to pick up the mower, without doing any pumping," says Derstine.

The T-5500 retails for \$449.99 plus S&H, and the model T-5501 for \$549.99 plus S&H.

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## Pivoting Vise Attachment Clamps Odd-Shaped Parts

A bench vise is a necessary tool in any farm workshop, but it does have one limitation: It can't clamp round or tapered objects in its jaws.

I recently came across a new tool that attaches to an ordinary bench vise to hold odd-shaped parts. It opens up a whole new way to approach clamping. It was invented by Ron Iacobelli and his brother Michael.

The Gyrojaw is a pyramid-shaped attachment made from a gripping-type elastomer that fits against the jaw of a standard bench vise. It's designed to clamp

things that don't have parallel faces. A carriage bolt is embedded into one end, and the bolt's curved head allows the Gyrojaw to be pivoted to many different angles and then clamped tightly against the work piece. Friction and pressure between the Gyrojaw and the vise surface is what holds it in place.

The Gyrojaw sells for \$12 plus S&H. It can also be used on C-clamps.

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Gyrojaw is a pyramid-shaped attachment that fits against the jaw of a standard bench vise. It's designed to clamp uneven objects.



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## "Pail Tender" Makes Pouring Easy

"Pouring out of 5-gal. pails of liquid is easy with my portable Pail Tender," says Wayne Tjeerdsma, Selectro Co., Avon, S. Dak.

The Pail Tender is a 2-wheeled cart with a dispensing cradle at the top and a storage platform at the bottom. The pail sets inside a removable cradle that drops into a pair of yokes attached to a bungee cord.

"It lets you easily control the pail with one hand and hold the container you're pouring into with the other," says Tjeerdsma. "It's much more stable than trying to use both

hands to do the job and results in fewer spills. It works great for any kind of petroleum products, paint, etc."

Tjeerdsma says he's working with a distributor to put the product on the market. He expects the Pail Tender to sell for less than \$200. He also expects to sell wall-mount and bench stand models.

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## Aftermarket High-Output Alternators

PA Performance has been building, customizing and modifying vehicles for more than 20 years. In the process they've learned how to upgrade electrical components to provide greater performance.

"We recently introduced a new alternator that will directly replace any 10DN, 10SI or 12SI series alternator," says Kevin Bealer, a company representative. These alternators are commonly found on most early GM vehicles along with some agricultural and excavating equipment.

Bealer says the company's new alternator is capable of producing a maximum of 120 amps at 6,000 rpm's and up to 60 amps at idle. The original alternator produced 60 amps at 6,000 rpm's and 10 to 20 amps at idle.

"Our high-output alternator produces more than 3 times the electrical capacity compared to the original unit," Bealer says. "It allows vehicles to run a high wattage sound system with powerful speakers or to power extra lighting on emergency vehicles. It's also excellent for trucks that are running snowplows and other auxiliary equipment."

PA Performance builds its new alternators with 2 internal cooling fans to efficiently dissipate heat from the heavy-gauge wiring. This extends the service life of the alternators and maintains maximum output in all weather and performance conditions. Prices start at \$139 and can be ordered through the company website or by phone. Orders placed by 1 p.m. Eastern time generally ship the



PA Performance builds and sells replacement alternators for cars, trucks and equipment. An "HO" option doubles the charging capacity at all rpm ranges.

same day.

Bealer says the new alternators join a growing line of products from a business that's known for producing new components with exceptional quality. "We're not just taking existing products and 'hopping them up' for more performance," Bealer says. "We build new products with excellent components and in most cases offer a limited lifetime warranty." High Output units have a one year warranty. Most of the alternators PA Performance sells are available in different powder coat, chrome or polished finishes. The company also markets starters, voltage regulators, battery cables, solenoids, wire kits and many other electronic parts. Special order "HO" units are available for performance and diesel vehicles.

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