

Do-it-yourself skid-steer loader kit saves thousands of dollars, says the manufacturer.

Build-It-Yourself Skid Steer Loader

"You can save two to five thousand dollars off the list price of a new skid steer loader by building it yourself," says Dennis Miller, president of Power Equipment Corp., Minnetonka, Minn., manufacturer of a new full-size skid steer loader kit.

"With the poor economy, people can really save by building their own," says Miller. "Everything needed to build it comes in two 4 by 2 by 6½ ft. boxes and can be put together in 15 to 30 hours. No welding, machining or painting required. You, just bolt the components together and connect the hoses."

Three skid steer kits are available. One's equipped with an 18-hp Kohler gas engine, another with a 25 hp. aircooled gas engine, and the third has a 22 hp. 3-cvl. Vanmar diesel. The largest 25-hp. model is equipped with 27 by 8.5 by 15.6 ply tires, bucket seats, complete instrumentation and quick-change attachment bars. Optional equipment includes flotation tires, an auxiliary hydraulic package and a wide array of buckets and related add-on tools.

To build, preassembled chain cases are bolted to the main chassis. Then the load arm-hydraulic reservoir, engine, and pumps are put in place. The engine and pump come completely assembled.

The model 550 with a 2-cyl., 25-hp engine sells for \$6,595.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Power Equipment Corp., 134 Opus Center, 9900 Bren Rd. East, Minnetonka, MN 55343 (ph 612 933-8084).



Ramp telescopes open in seconds and mounts on taligate when not in use.

New Fold-Up Ramp Stores On Truck Endgate

The new Foldaway Ramp for loading and unloading garden tractors, ATV's, snowmobiles and other vehicles telescopes open and shut in just seconds and, when closed, stores handily out of the way on the pickup tailgate.

Manufactured by N.W. Clayton Co. Ltd., Guelph, Ont., the spring steel rod and tubular steel section ramp extends out to 60 in. When closed, it's 51-in. wide, 21-in. tall and 2½-in. On the tailgate it's out of the way and takes up little cargo room.

Ramp hinge plates bolt to the pickup's tailgate. Unit weighs 70 lbs. and holds up to 750 lbs.

Sells for \$349 (Canadian).

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, N.W. Clayton Co. Ltd., 194 Speedvale Ave. W., Guelph, Ont. N1H 1C3 (ph 519 824-7653).



One-piece cutting shoe opens slot into which saplings are placed. Planter has enough capacity to plant up to 1 mile of trees.

"TOP QUALITY CONSTRUCTION AT AN AFFORDABLE PRICE"

New Tree Planter Also Plants Spuds

You'll like the price tag on this new heavy-duty tree planter that can also be used to plant small patches of potatoes. It retails for \$1.875.

"That's 30 to 50% less than the cost of competitive tree planters which are lighter built and don't have as many features. We're encouraging farmers and ranchers to make sure their local Soil Conservation Service directors and technicians know about our new 'affordable,' heavy duty planter," says inventor-manufacturer Robert Schonert, president of Tre-Ro-We-Der Co., Bismarck, N. Dak.

Designed for 3 pt. hitch mounting on 40 to 50 hp. tractors, it's equipped with a one piece cutting shoe with a backhoe replaceable type point. The slot opening into which saplings are placed is 3.5 in. wide. Planting depth is adjustable to a maximum of 12 in. A coulter mounts ahead of the shoe for planting in heavy sod, trash or other

residue

Saplings are carried in four 26 gal. plastic trash containers. "They provide sufficient capacity to plant one mile of trees, and are light and easy to lift in and out for cleaning. And, with lids, they keep saplings fresh and moist," notes Schonert who is also inventor-manufacturer of the popular, tractor-mounted Tre-Ro-We-Der for trees and shrubs which was first featured in FARM SHOW three years ago (Vol. 7, No. 3, 1983).

The planter weighs 875 lbs., has adjustable foam cushion seats, side markers with up to 16 ft. reach, and is self-standing on kick stands when not in use. Its 4:00 by 15 in. wheels have sealed bearings.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Tre-Ro-We-Der Co., Robert Schonert, president, Star Rt. 9, Bismarck, N. Dak. 58501 (ph 701 223-8814).

"IT'S ALWAYS THERE WHEN YOU NEED IT"

"Keeper" Keeps Pins From Jumping Out

You won't have to worry about pins jumping out of hitches when you install the new "Pin Keeper" on your implement hitches.

Manufactured by K & M Mfg., Renville, Minn., the Pin Keeper is a spring loaded lever that keeps pins in place. The unit's welded to the implement hitch and positioned so the edge of the lever is centered across the draw pin hole.

With the pin in, and the lever in position, there's no way for the pin to come out without you first moving the lever to the side by first lifting up and then turning the handle.

Pin Keeper works with any type of draw pin. A key advantage, besides the safety feature, is that you don't have to spend time looking for clip pins or clip pin holes.

Sells for \$6.75, plus shipping.



Pivoting lever keeps pin from jumping out.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, K & M Mfg. Co., Renville, Minn. 56284 (ph toll free 800 328-1752; in Minn. 800 992-1702).