Push Mower Converted To Handy Feed Cart

“It’s nothing fancy or complicated, but it lets us feed our show calves without making as many trips,” says Billy Meier, Poteau, Okla., who used an old push mower to make a handy “feed bucket carrier.” It holds up to three 5-gal. buckets.

He stripped the engine and removed the blades from the deck. He used 1 by 2-in. tubing to make a frame that looks like a short ladder tilted backward. The buckets set between the ladder’s side rails, with the bottom bucket resting on the deck and the other 2 on rungs. The side rails are welded to a pair of steel plates that bolt to the deck using existing engine mounting holes. A pair of angled metal braces on back provide support.

“I built it for my wife, who uses it to feed our show calves in outdoor feed pens with 4-ft. wide alleys,” says Meier. “It’s balanced good, but just to be safe she keeps the heaviest buckets at the bottom so the cart doesn’t get too heavy. The mower’s big rear wheels help keep it going right through mud. I used the mower’s adjustable wheels to jack up the deck as high as it would go.”

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Quick-Tach Front And Rear 3- Pt. Hitch

Alfred Jeffery found a way to hook up 3-pt. implements fast, front and back. On the back end, he upgraded existing 3- pt. arms. For the front end, he built a quick-attach frame to go on his front-end loader arms.

“I welded a steel plate to the 3-pt. arms on the rear with a mouth on the top side to catch the pins,” says Jeffery. “I just back under the implement pins and lift up.”

Once the pins are seated, Jeffery drops keeper bars over both pins and locks them in place. The keeper bars pivot on a bolt ahead of the pin mouth and “pin” through a hole on the extensions.

Tired of looking over his shoulders when operating 3-pt. equipment, he decided to use his front-end loader arms for mounts.

“I bought a 3-pt. hitch from Harbor Freight and converted it to connect to the loader like the loader bucket does,” says Jeffery. The Harbor Freight 3-pt. already had quick-attach hooks for the pins on the implements. Jeffery added a tip plate and base plates. He can tip his loader’s bucket mount into the 3-pt. hitch, lock it in place and work his 3-pt. attachments off the loader arms.

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“Mini Plow” Works Great To Install Underground Fence

Cal Miner built this 2-wheeled “mini plow” so a friend could install underground invisible dog fencing around his 3-acre yard.

To Install Invisible Fence

“Jog tired of using a weedeater to control weeds and tall grass on the banks of my farm pond, so I built an offset hitch for my Pug ATV that hooks up to a modified push mower. Saves a lot of time and is easy on my back,” says Denis Bergschneider, Urich, Mo.

The hitch consists of a 2-in. dia. galvanized pipe that bolts to the ATV’s front bumper, and to a metal bracket that supports a 13-in. caster wheel on front of the mower. Bergschneider cut the pipe at a 45 degree angle in 2 places and then welded it back together, inserting a bushing and a bolt to form a pivot point that lets the hitch swivel up or down.

He removed the mower’s front wheels and also cut away the front part of the deck, allowing it to do a better job of cutting tall grass and weeds. The pto universal joint off an Allis Chalmers round baler is attached to the bracket, allowing the deck to swivel to follow the contour of the bank. A metal tube attached to the universal joint fits into a 1/4-in. receiver hitch that’s bolted to the deck.

“I needed an offset hitch for my Pug ATV to trim steep pond banks. I bought a Harbor Freight 3-pt. hitch from Windstream.net.”

Alfred Jeffery converted a Harbor Freight 3-pt. hitch to hook up to the bucket mount on his tractor’s front-end loader.

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