

**Tim Affield, Marengo, Ill.:** "My 1999 Toyota Camry has almost 300,000 miles on it but still has the original starter, alternator, fuel pump and drivetrain. I've had to replace just the tires, brakes, shocks and struts. This car still gets better mileage than the window sticker on it advertised when I bought it new."

**Kelly Fields, Pleasant Garden, N.C.:** "My worst buy was the 3-pt. mounted Cosmo fertilizer spreader I bought at Tractor Supply Company. It spreads twice as much material on one side as it does on the other. So I went back to using my 45-year-old rusted-out spreader. It does a much better job."

**Richard Havecmeier, Saint Peter, Minn.:** "My 2011 Cub Cadet LT1042 riding mower had multiple problems with spindles and bearings as well as belts jumping off. The Kohler engine blew at 142 hours."

"My Case Ingersoll subcompact garden tractors are well built and hydraulic-operated with many attachments available. They're made under the Ingersoll name by Eastman Industries. These are great tractors, not box store junk."

**John Packer, Honesdale, Penn. (pacman1946@hotmail.com):** "I need help solving what's wrong with my 1985 Kubota M4050 tractor. Every time I try to use it I have to jump start it. So when I'm in the field I have to keep it running, because if it ever stalled I'd have to walk almost a mile back home to get jumper cables and a truck."

"I've replaced the voltage regulator, alternator, and key switch, as well as the batteries. I've also disconnected the headlights and taillights thinking they might be causing a short, but nothing seems to help. Can anyone help solve my problem?"

**Reinhard Grenz, Trapper Creek, Alaska:** "My 1998 Kubota tractor has 3,246 hours on it without ever letting me down. It starts right up even in the coldest weather and still doesn't use any oil. It has required only routine maintenance."



**Dean Weatherly, Clinton, Ark.:** Dean's pleased with his Pat's Easy Change 3-pt. hitch system ([www.pats3pointhitchsystem.com](http://www.pats3pointhitchsystem.com); ph 850 398-8453). The units mount on your tractor's 3-pt. lift arms and turns them into quick hitches, making it easy to attach heavy 3-pt. implements without any lifting. The 3-pt. top link is still able to flex and float and your 3-pt. can be used normally.

**Virgil W. Frye, Ogdan, Iowa:** Virgil describes his 1972 Deere 300 as "the best tractor I ever owned. I bought it new along with a snowblower, mower, tiller, and dump cart. I always followed the maintenance schedule in the owner's manual, so I was able to use the tractor for 17 years without any major breakdowns."

**Bob Myracle, Baxter, Tenn.:** "At about 98,000 miles the number 4 cylinder on the engine on my 2009 GM Sierra pickup started misfiring. The problem seems to be with GM's cylinder deactivation system. The number 4 lifter was stuck so bad that I had to use a hammer and punch to work it loose. Good thing there was no scoring or contaminant buildup on the lifter, because it's a major job to replace the lifters."

"After researching the problem I installed a device sold by Range Technology ([www.rangetechnology.com](http://www.rangetechnology.com); ph 888 997-6515). It plugs into the OBD port and keeps the engine in V-8 mode at all times, preventing the vehicle's Active Fuel Management system from dropping cylinders. The pickup's fuel efficiency actually improved a little after I installed the device. You can go online and find a lot of information about the problems with GM's cylinder deactivation system."

**Josh Abernathy, Covington, Ind.:** "My 2014 Big Dog Alpha MP zero turn riding mower is a durable best buy for me ([www.bigdogmowerco.com](http://www.bigdogmowerco.com)). The deck is built tough and available in many sizes. This machine mows and handles better than some other mowers I've seen that sell for a lot more. No problems."

**Rex W. Brown, Fairmont, Neb.:** "I've come up with a homemade, natural weed killer spray that really works. I just mix together one gallon of vinegar, two cups of Epsom salt, and one fourth cup of Dawn liquid dishwashing soap."

**Ray Yount, Kellogg, Idaho:** Ray likes his FarmTek sled sprinkler stand for watering lawns and gardens ([www.farmtek.com](http://www.farmtek.com); ph 800 327-6835). "It's lightweight but stable."



It reduced the sprinkling time in one area of my yard by an hour due to the large sprinkling area," says Ray. "I have one of those problem yards that's wide in some places and narrow in others. Some areas are too wide for traditional sprinklers to cover."

"In order to increase the range of the sprinkler, I mounted it on top of an upside down 5-gallon plastic bucket. I also added another pipe connector on top of the sprinkler stand, along with a 6-in. pipe nipple and a Rain Bird sprinkler. The Rain Bird has many adjustable features on it. The way my sprinkler is now configured it spreads water out in at least a 40-ft. diameter area, and I like the results. Other sprinkler head brands can also be used with the stand, which sells for \$28.95."

**Ronald J. Post, Celina, Ohio:** "My Rural King 3-pt. mounted, 6-ft. box blade works great for landscaping, land leveling, backfilling, grading, and many other jobs ([www.ruralking.com](http://www.ruralking.com); ph 800 561-1752)."

The box blade has a 20-in. self-cleaning moldboard and 2 high carbon steel reversible cutting edges - one on front and one on back. It also has 6 heavy duty ripper shanks with replaceable, heat treated teeth. Each shank has 4 position adjustment holes that let you adjust the depth of the shanks quickly.

**Doug White, Unity, Sask.:** Doug's impressed with his 2015 Fields Edge 2-wheeled string trimmer ([www.fieldsedgemowers.com](http://www.fieldsedgemowers.com); ph 800 345-6007). "It comes with 4 strings and is powered by a Viper 4-cycle gas engine. Works great and can easily power through 3-ft. tall grass. It's very fuel efficient, and the Viper engine works much better than my Briggs & Stratton engines," says Doug.

"My 2007 Dodge Ram Mega Cab pickup is the best truck I've ever owned. The only problem is their dealers keep pestering me to

## "The Last Glue" You'll Ever Need

By Brad Miller

If you've got a broken fan belt, leaking water pipe, split O-ring, or just need to make a metal-to-metal connection, you might want to try using **The Last Glue**.

It sticks to anything in just one second and can withstand temperatures up to 650 degrees F. and down to -63 degrees. It can also withstand up to 5,000 psi and comes with a 1-year guarantee.

It's the only glue on the market that's truly anaerobic. It works by depriving the connection of air, and the bond it makes is quick and permanent. All other glues work with either moisture or air so they'll always dry out.

Most connections require only one drop. The glue is non-toxic and FDA approved and never dries out if stored in the refrigerator.

If you can't deprive the item being glued of air, the company suggests using a companion product called **The Last Fill**, which creates a liquid weld. It's designed to fill any void, crack or gouge such as a hole in a pipe, a leak in a hose, or a hairline crack in a mug.

I used The Last Glue to repair a broken shelf in a refrigerator which had been "repaired" twice before with other glues. I applied one drop to the broken shelf



**The Last Glue won't dry out, and the bond it makes is quick and permanent.**

and the bond was quick, easy, strong, and permanent.

According to company owner Shawn McMahon, The Last Glue is popular with farmers because it can replace so many other products and does what other glues can't do. It can fix everything from leaking water lines to broken belts and even cracked engine blocks.

A video demonstration can be seen at their website. Prices range from \$19.95 to \$69.95 depending on size.

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trade it in, so they can turn around and sell it to buyers in the U.S. and make big money on it. Not going to happen."

**Thomas Holzman, Alton, Iowa:** Thomas nominates his 1937 Farmall F-12 steel-



wheeled tractor as his "best buy." "I bought the F-12 for parts to use on a Farmall F-14 that I was restoring. However, once I got the F-12 home and started working on it I realized I could fix it up cheaper and easier than the F-14. After rebuilding the carburetor and replacing the magneto, I was able to get the F-12 started. I spent the following winter and early spring restoring this tractor to its former glory."

**Steve Cornelius, Columbia City, Ind.:** Steve's impressed with his Faver commercial log splitter equipped with a hydraulic adjustable 4-way wedge and a log lift ([www.faversplitters.com](http://www.faversplitters.com); ph 419 345-3966). "The company delivered the splitter to me and even



took the time to show me how to operate it. It does everything they said it would do. No problems.

"This splitter is rated at 30 tons but with its big engine and hydraulic cylinder, it outperforms other brands rated at 35 tons. It's built heavy and has several features I really like, such as a big work area and a 32-in. high operator's platform that allows me to stand up straight while splitting logs.

"The log lift is located on the same side of the splitter as the operator, so I don't have to spend a lot of time walking back and forth

between the two sides of the machine. The wedge has 'power up and power down', which means it can quickly be lowered for use as a 2-way wedge or raised to split wood four ways.

"The splitter itself is easy to move around because the hitch is incorporated into the log lift, allowing the log lift to serve as a hydraulic jack while hooking to a towing vehicle. You can order the unit with either a pintle hitch or a ball hitch.

"The standard machine sells for \$9,000, but I ordered mine with an electric starter and paid a total of \$9,600."

He's disappointed with his DR RapidFire flywheel wood splitter. "In my opinion the company is misrepresenting this product. It works fast and is fuel efficient, but it has trouble splitting wood bigger than one foot in diameter. The company says it'll split 30-in. dia. wood, but the wedge is only seven inches tall and can easily get stuck in big pieces of wood or even small pieces if the wood is real hard.

"The splitter is powered by a pair of flywheels. I like the simple design, but the machine should be made much bigger and heavier for anyone who splits a lot of wood. I had to replace a lot of parts. The company sends parts out right away, but they're exactly the same as the old ones so they eventually break again. I had a local machinist make some heavier parts, and now the machine works much better."

**Clarence Bauman, Bismarck, N. Dak.:** "In 1940 I bought a 1939 John Deere Model A row crop tractor on rubber wheels, and it was a good, dependable tractor. At that time we farmed with horses, but we needed more power for plowing. We had heavy soil with lots of rocks, but even so this tractor could pull a Case 3-bottom plow and packer in second gear with no problem. It was definitely a best buy."

**Walter J. Sprague, Orrtanna, Penn.:** "My 2010 Ridgid cordless drill came with a lifetime warranty that covered the batteries. After about five years the batteries died. I took the drill back to Home Depot, and they promptly gave me two new batteries."