Reader Recipes

Sweet & Sour Hamburger

1 lb. cooked ground beef

1/2 cup brown sugar 1/2 cup water

1/2 cup water
1/2 cup ketchup

1/4 cup vinegar

2 tbsp soy sauce 1 can mushrooms

2 tbsp cornstarch (mixed with a little water)

Brown ground beef. Add other ingredients and simmer. Add the cornstarch mixture to thicken. Serve over rice.

Corn Chip Salad

1 head iceberg or romaine lettuce 1/2 lb. shredded cheddar cheese 1 lb. bacon, fried and crumbled 6 hard-boiled eggs, chopped

2 1/2 cups corn chips, crushed

Dressing

1 cup Miracle Whip salad dressing 2 tbsp vinegar 1/4 cup milk

1/4 cup brown sugar 1/4 cup white sugar Toss together all salad

loss together all sala ingredients except corn chips. Mix dressing and add to salad. Stir in corn chips just before serving.

Pickled Mustard Eggs

1/2 cup white sugar 1 cup vinegar 1 cup cold water 1 tbsp dry mustard 8 hardboiled peeled eggs

Boil ingredients together 10 min. Pour over hardboiled eggs. Let pickle for 2 days before using. Will keep weeks in refrigerator.

Sweet & Sour Coleslaw

3 lbs. shredded cabbage 2 white onions, thinly sliced

1 green pepper, halved and sliced thin

1 cup oil

2 cups sugar

1 cup vinegar

2 tsp celery seed

I tsp salt
Put shredded cabbage
in large bowl. Layer
onions and green
pepper on top. Boil
oil, sugar, vinegar,
celery seed, and salt
for 1 min. Pour over
cabbage mixture. Let
stand at least 2 hrs.
but best overnight,
then mix well. Put

in airtight container.

Lasts 3 weeks in

refrigerator.

Spring-loaded seat on horse-drawn mower lets operator ride in comfort.



Where To Buy A Horse-Drawn Lawn Mower

A Pennsylvania company says you can have more fun mowing grass with the company's horse-drawn mower, which has a linkage system that prevents skips in corners and around trees. The mower cart and frame is built by Pioneer Equipment of Utica, Ohio and Georgetown Sales sells the Clipper USA reels and distributes the kits to their dealer network in the U.S. and Canada.

David Beiler of Georgetown says the mower has only two wheels placed outside the reels. "It does an excellent job mowing. Traditional gang mowers have 3 wheels, usually located in front of the reels, which flatten the uncut grass and leave behind a track.

"Pioneer Equipment builds these 300-lb. steel carts for easy and functional use," Beiler says. "A flexible shaft, with an over-center lever that keeps the weight of the unit on the ground, makes it easy to hitch or unhitch the horse. When the lever is closed down, the shaft becomes rigid and the mower is ready to use."

Another key feature is that the reels are mounted on a 4-way universal joint so they move independently over the high and low points of a yard. Beiler says "If you have slopes or divits, the U-joint lets the reels float and follow the contour of your yard, rather than drag over it like a traditional gang mower. There's even a foot pedal with unique steering linkage to the rear reel for cutting tight around trees and landscaping."

Each of the reels are 21 in. wide and the full width of the cutting path can be adjusted from 48 to 56 in. Beiler says if the ground is sloping, more reel overlap is needed. Cutting height is adjustable from 1 to 2 3/4 in. Buyers can choose between steel, hard rubber, or pneumatic wheels. A spring-loaded seat lets the operator ride in comfort while controlling the horse pulling the mower.

Beiler says Georgetown has dealers throughout the U.S. and Canada, and if a customer doesn't have one nearby, they will ship direct. The cart and mower assembly costs \$3,280 and requires about an hour of assembly time to attach the reels and shafts on the cart before use.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Georgetown Sales, LLC, 375 Old Dam Road, Christiana, Penn. 17509 (ph 610 593-5193).

Magnetic "Door Grab"

"Whenever our house furnace would turn on, air coming out of the floor register in our bathroom would blow the door shut. By putting a small magnet on the door and on the door stop, we're able to keep the door open," says Larry Floer, Regina, Sask.

Floer bought a pair of 1-in. sq. magnets, each with a small hole in the middle. He screwed one magnet onto the plastic knob at the end of the doorstop spring, and the other one to base of the door.

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Small magnets mounted on door and doorstop keep bathroom door open.

Disk Blade Garden Hoe

An old disk coulter works great to make an inexpensive garden hoe, says Don Kendrick of Deville. La.

He used a disc grinder to cut a 5 by 4-in. section out of a 16-in. dia. disk coulter to serve as the hoe blade. He also cut a 4-in. long section out of a 1 1/2-in. dia. metal pipe and welded it to the blade. Then he drilled 2 holes in the pipe, inserted a 30-in. long wooden handle, and screwed it on. A side grinder was used to sharpen the blade.

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Cut-out section of disk coulter serves as hoe blade and is welded to a short metal pipe that accepts wooden handle.





Easy-To-Use "Kindling Splitter"

"It's a safe, fast way to get kindling for your wood stove or fireplace," says Dan Jacobson, Pequot Lakes, Minn.

His portable kindling splitter consists of a 6-in. long, 2-in. wide steel wedge bolted on top of a 16-in. high, 3-in. square wood post that's mounted on a sturdy metal base. The top part of the post slants downward on all 4 sides and has metal deflectors screwed onto it.

The operator uses one hand to hold the wood on top of the wedge, and his other hand to strike the wood.

The unit weighs 20 lbs. and is fitted with a carrying handle and a hammer-holding bracket.

"This kind of wedge is normally used with a sledge hammer to split very big logs laying on the ground. I think the way I'm using it is safer," says Jacobson.

The kindling splitter comes with the wedge, base, and 3-1b. plastic hammer. Sells for \$120 plus S&H.

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Steel wedge bolts on top of square wood post that drops downward on all 4 sides.

"Helping Hand" Dock Rail

If you've ever had trouble getting in or out of a boat due to swaying and rocking, you'll like this "Helping Hand" dock rail. It quickly attaches to any dock with a 1/2-in. gap between boards and can be easily moved to another location.

"It helps anyone get into and out of a boat, whether they're young, old or disabled," says inventor Lynn Carl. "You can attach it to almost any dock."

The patented, U-shaped rail is made of lightweight aluminum and weighs only 4 lbs. It's made from round



Rail attaches to any dock with a 1/2-in. gap between boards.

tubing and measures 34 in. high with a 13-in. long, 4-in. wide, 1/4-in. thick aluminum plate welded to the bottom. A pair of holes spaced 4 in. apart are drilled into the plate.

Two adjustable threaded rods with quick release clamps are used to attach the plate to the dock. Each rod has a knob on top and a 1/2-in. wide, 1/4-in. thick metal bar welded to the bottom.

The Helping Hand Dock Rail sells for \$150 plus tax plus S&H. It comes with a satisfaction guaranteed warranty.

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