



“Seat Swivel” Makes Cars Easy To Get Into

Getting in and out of cars and pickups is easier for the elderly and disabled with the new “Easy Seat” seat swivel.

Developed by inventor Rob Wallace in Australia, the device can be fitted under any car seat, letting it swing forward and out at a right angle through the doorway. When the seat is fully extended, the passenger’s body is completely outside the car, simplifying the task of standing up or transferring to a wheelchair.

“It allows relatively easy transport of wheelchair-bound people in otherwise unmodified cars,” says Wallace. “It’s an unobtrusive and cost-effective alternative to hoists and specially-equipped vans. A hand-operated lever on the door side of the seat releases a pin that allows the seat to

swivel on ball bearings. When released, the lever locks the seat in any position.

“It attaches with adaptor brackets that bolt onto the original seat mountings. You remove the original car seat, take out the subframe, and replace it with the brackets and a hinge mechanism. We generally install the Easy Seat on the left side of the car, which is the passenger side in Australia, but we make versions for both the right and left hand sides of the car. The seat can be removed and re-fitted to another car at trade-in time.”

Sells for about \$1,000.

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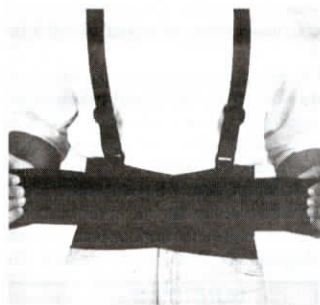
“Suspender Style” Back Support

If you’ve got a bad back - or want to make certain you never get one - you should take a look at these new-style “suspender” back supports that have already caught on widely in factories, warehouses, stores, and anywhere else workers do a lot of lifting.

Made out of woven elastic, the supports have extra “boning” in back for added support. Suspender straps transfer part of the load to shoulder. Adjustable Velcro fasteners on the side of belt make it easy to snug it up for maximum comfort.

Available in sizes from small (\$16) to XX-large (\$18). Models also available without suspender straps.

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Tex. 79902 (ph 800 445-0554 or 915 545-5000).

Mixes For Automatic Bread-Making Machines

A Minnesota company says it’s had tremendous interest in its new line of whole grain, pre-measured mixes for automatic bread making machines.

Native Grains, of Fosston, offers three different packaged mixes including Cinnamon, Italian, and Sunny Oats. They’re available through mail order or in department stores. The mixes need only water and oil. They can also be baked in conventional ovens.

Grains in the mixes are grown with no preservatives and no chemical additives to control flour performance. The flours are stone ground, with no refined sweeteners or dairy ingredients added. Some of the ingredients for the mixes include raw organic sunflower seeds, raw organic oats, real salt, Sucanat (evaporated sugar cane juice), Lecithin (soybean extract), malted barley flour, and wheat gluten.

The 1-lb. bread mixes sell for \$2.50 apiece.



A variety gift pack including two 3-oz. jars of jelly sells for \$13.

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New Products Especially For Women And The Farm, Ranch Home

“Keep-Cool” Bandana Great For Hot Summer Days

It’s like carrying a portable air conditioner around with you, says the manufacturer of this new “keep cool” bandana that’s filled with special polymer crystals that soak up water and then release it over a period of a couple days.

You just soak the bandana in cool water for 30 to 35 min. and it will plump up as the polymers absorb water. Then tie it around your neck. Water will be gradually released, sending cooling sensations through your body. It’s reusable thousands of times.

Sells for \$7.99 plus \$1.50 S&H. Also available are sun visors with the same water-absorbing feature.

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Point, N.C. 27262 (ph 910 869-3079 or 883-6416).

“Pot Belly” Stoves Made From Truck Wheels

“They look like old-fashioned pot-belly stoves,” says Ralph Sutterby, Sterling, N.Y., about the wood-burning stoves he makes out of truck wheel rims stacked on top of each other.

The two top wheels on Sutterby’s stove make up the firebox which accommodates logs up to 10 in. dia. and 18 in. long. The bottom wheel serves as the ashpit. There are hinged doors in both the firebox and ashpit.

“Truck rims are made of high carbon steel that’s resistant to heat so they won’t burn out easily,” says Sutterby.

To make the firebox, he welds two “deep side” rims together, plating and plugging all lug bolt and tire stem holes on top. Then, he turned the bottom rim over and welded it to the bottom of the lower firebox rim, making sure the lug holes from both rims were lined up to accommodate a removable grate which sets over the holes. He made the grate from plate steel, cutting holes in it to match the lug bolt holes.

“The snug fitting ash and fire pit doors provide for an air-tight stove, making it possible to maintain a fire for 12 to 16 hours without adding wood. If I fill the firebox up at night, there will still be a bed of coals in the morning to start another fire,” says Sutterby.

An afterburner at the back of the fire box circulates fresh air into the fire to completely burn off gasses that might otherwise escape out the chimney.

A safety ring mounted around the outside



of the stove makes it easy to handle and helps prevent accidents.

A 20-in. dia. model sells for \$400. It also comes in 16, 22, and 24-in. models. Sutterby also offers do-it-yourself plans.

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