

New Products For Livestock Producers



New Non-Electric Vent Control

A new non-electric control from Axis Products works like magic to automatically open and close ventilation doors in livestock buildings.

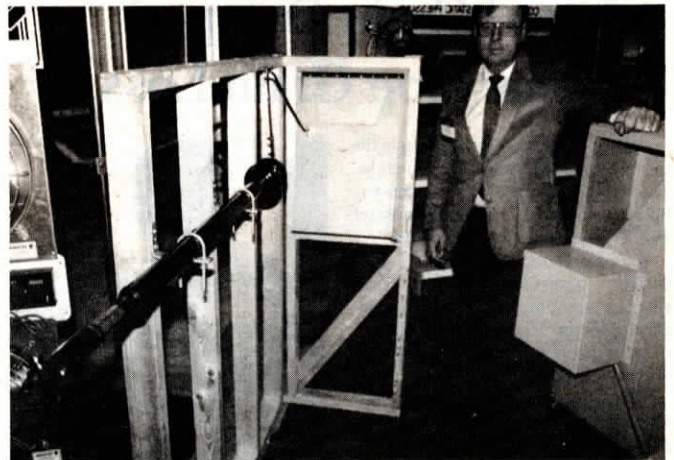
The control arm (about 6 ft. long and 3 in. in dia.) is filled with a special temperature-sensitive liquid. If inside temperature goes above or below a pre-set level, the fluid will expand or contract to simultaneously open or close one or more ventilation doors or chimneys.

The special fluid inside is freeze-proof and laced with a rust inhibitor. You simply

set the dial at one end of the device to the temperature you want to maintain and the control automatically takes over — without batteries or plug-in electricity. It can be operated in any plane (vertical or horizontal) and has sufficient torque to operate several ventilation doors, the manufacturer points out.

Sells for \$517.

For the name of your nearest supplier, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Axis Products, 5 Main St., Brodthgen, Ont. Canada NOK 1B0 (ph 519 345-2258).



"Computerless" Radio Stall For Sows

It lets you individually feed sows without having to buy an expensive computer," says Tandem Products of its new Radio Stall.

Instead of having to tie into a computer, the Radio Stall has its own hand-held electronic control (with built-in transmitter and receiver) which you dial like a telephone to "punch in" the exact amount of feed each sow is to receive, depending on her weight, age, condition, etc. Each sow wears a transponder which, without requiring batteries, mirrors her code to the receiver which, in turn, tells the feeder how much feed each individual sow is pre-programmed to receive.

The hand-held control unit (\$3,069) will handle up to 14 crates, and each crate (\$1,545) will handle 40 sows. Transponders, with collars, sell for \$52 per sow.

It pencils out to a cost of \$96.11 per sow

to automatically and individually feed 560 sows, the system's maximum capacity. For 100 sows, the cost would be \$12,904 (\$129 per sow) — \$3,069 for the control unit, three stalls at \$1,545 each and 100 transponders at \$52 each.

Although the system is designed to operate without a computer, it's totally "computer compatible," the manufacturer points out. "We offer an optional \$2,500 computer that will give you a complete written report on each sow telling you when she should be bred, moved to the farrowing crate, wormed, vaccinated, how much feed she was given, how much she consumed, and much more."

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Tandem Products Inc., 520 Industrial Drive, Blooming Prairie, Minn. 55917 (ph 800 533-0509, or 507 583-7222).



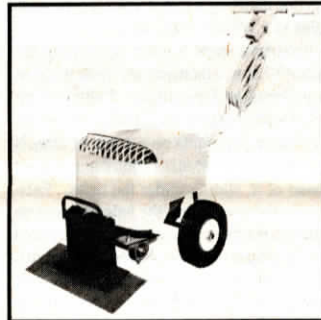
"Canned Colostrum" For Pigs, Calves

Latest new way to keep newborn pigs, lambs and calves alive and healthy is to give them a shot of "canned" dairy cow colostrum.

Nurse-mate, from Sterling Technology, is produced by collecting first milk after calving from selected dairy herds. It's concentrated, laced with lactobacillus, and manufactured into a paste form which requires no refrigeration and no mixing. Has a shelf life of about a year, says Randy Kjelden, president. "Some hog and beef cattle producers give all newborn animals — regardless of condition — a shot of Nurse-mate to get them off to a fast, healthy start."

For hogs, a single pump-type dispenser bottle, enough to treat 24 newborn pigs, sells for \$6.95 (\$83.40 for a case of 12). For calves, a single dose bottle is \$2.85 (\$34.20 for a case of 12). For lambs, a single dose bottle is \$2.05 (\$24.60 for a case of 12).

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Sterling Technology, 200 West 28, PO Box 496, Toronto, S. Dak. 57268 (ph 605 794-8881).



"Stripper" Peels Off Caked-On Manure

Rock-hard manure buildup on floors or slats is easily stripped off with the new vibrating Manure Master from R and D Equipment.

Available in gas (3.5 hp Honda) or electric (1 hp motor) models, it's equipped with a 16 in. wide self-sharpening blade that vibrates 1,740 times per minute to cut through caked-on manure. Fits into corners and other tight quarters.

With motor and two blades, the electric model retails for \$779, and the gas model for \$985.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, R & D Equipment, P.O. Box 744, Sioux City, Iowa 51102 (ph 712 255-5205).

Handy "Long Reach" Syringe

New from Agri-Pro enterprises is a "long reach" syringe that makes it easier to vaccinate bashful or ornery critters.

Made of aluminum, the 3-position pole telescopes to three different lengths — 22, 29 and 36 in. The "business end" accepts Ardes Arplex syringes, which don't have to be removed to be refilled.

Soon to come is a 20cc syringe with an adjustable dosage nut.

To use, you simply jab the animal with enough force to push the plunger forward.

Sells for \$29.95 without, and \$35 with, a syringe. Add \$2 for shipping.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Agri-Pro Enterprises, Box 27, Iowa Falls, Iowa 50126 (ph 515 648-4696).



Poly "Hog Hutch" For Pasture Farrowing

A new portable poly A-frame "hog hutch" for pasture farrowing, which costs only half as much as conventional wooden A-frame hog hutches, has been introduced by E Z Hutch Mfg., Kettlersville, Ohio.

The hutch is 7 ft. long, 4 ft. tall and 5 1/2 ft. wide at the bottom. It's built from white high density molded polyethylene. It weighs only 90 lbs. and is equipped with lifting brackets on both ends. There are stake-down holes along both sides and an adjustable vent at the rear. Edges along the front and rear door openings divert water, and there's a poly feed trough for the sow.

"As far as we know, this is the first poly A-frame hutch designed for pasture farrow-

ing," says Ed Wreede, owner. "Our hutch is less expensive than wooden A-frame hog hutches, which cost up to \$400, and it's portable. Other companies have tried marketing plastic calf hutches for use as hog hutches but they don't work well because the sow can lay on the pigs. Our hutch has sloped sides so that when the sow lays down, she leaves 6 or 7 inches of room between her and the side for the baby pigs." Sells for \$225.

For more information, contact: FARM SHOW Followup, E Z Hutch, 8800 State, Rt. 274, Kettlersville, Ohio 45336 (ph 513 693-8691).

