



# *Rancher*

**Simple Safe Strong**



**Livestock Equipment**



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**Welcome to**

**Rancher**

## Livestock Equipment

The Rancher catalogue will introduce you to the options we offer to the livestock rearer. Many products have been awarded Silver Medals and Certificates including the John Logie Baird Award for innovation.

James Robertson, the General Manager and livestock farmer for over 40 years, began trading in livestock equipment in 1970, in 1985 he started manufacturing Rancher Cattle Crates. The business outgrew its original workshop relocating to spacious premises in Castle Douglas in 1999.

The design team all have many years experience of working with livestock, as a result Rancher products are of sound, practical and strong construction. With such experience behind us we are expert at making special products to suit individual customer needs.

Rancher products are a sound investment built to last for many years ensuring our motto SIMPLE, SAFE & STRONG.

James Robertson and his friendly staff look forward to helping you decide which of our equipment is right for your business.



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## ***Design & Planning Service***

***With 35 years experience in designing livestock handling yards coupled with a lifetime experience in livestock farming, the Rancher team are capable, skilled and willing to help design your new handling yards for cattle and sheep using our latest computer technology.***



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# **Cattle Handling**

## **RANCHER CRATES**

***Our experience has revealed that we cover most clients' requirements with the following two models.***

Both crates are fitted with

- \* Sliding back gate is standard, hinged gates are dangerous.
- \* Rump bar is standard.
- \* Galvanised finish.
- \* Tread plate floor with extra grip for safety.
- \* Super safe crate with anti kick restrainer at a sensible price is a must.
- \* Clear top lines access.
- \* Exceptional amount of access with hinged opening.

***We have been building our own design of crates for 25 years.***



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## **Cattle Handling**



### **SQUEEZE CRATE** *Ideal for sucklers*

- \* Our latest model has much improved access to sides with hinged opening and greater head room.
- \* Easily adjusted in width to fit the size of the beast.
- \* Handles cattle from 60kgs to 1000kgs
- \* Clear side access from floor up to 48ins

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## **Cattle Handling**

### **HANDYMAN CRATE**

*Basic no frills model with same clear side access as Squeeze Crate and same head gate.*



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# **Cattle Handling**

## **SELF CATCH HEADGATE**

### ***New Design***

It is 25 years since we first launched this head gate on the British market and 20 years since we were awarded a silver medal for it at the Royal Highland Show.

We felt an upgrade was due and this is the result of months on trials. With **safety** our priority for handlers and animals we consider this gate is **No.1 in STRENGTH, DESIGN AND QUALITY.**

- \* Straight vertical neck bars are essential to prevent choking, we know this from experience.
- \* Simple quick neck adjustment from small calf size to mature adult cattle.
- \* Dropdown neck bar is a must for safe tag reading and safer control.
- \* Sheeted sides prevent trapped legs.
- \* Operating levers fitted to both sides for ease.
- \* Holds animals from 60 - 1000 Kgs.
- \* Built to last forever - well almost.
- \* Powder Coated finish, 10 times better than paint

The logo for 'Rancher' is written in a stylized, cursive red font with a white outline. It is positioned at the bottom center of the page, overlaid on a background image of a white metal cattle headgate. The background image is a close-up, slightly blurred view of the headgate's structure, showing the neck bars and side rails. The overall color scheme is warm, with a yellowish-gold gradient.

## ***Cattle Handling***



***Self Catch Headgate  
in narrow setting.***

***Self Catch Headgate  
in wide setting.***



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## **Cattle Handling**

### **ANTI KICK RESTRAINER**

This **safety** device has recently been offered with new crates for a free trial period. Not one has returned - our customers are our judges.

- \* Animals can fidget but not kick.
- \* No bruising - no worries.
- \* Same winch doubles up as leg winch for foot trimming.
- \* Silver award at R.H.A.S. 2002.
- \* John Logie Baird Award for Innovation 1999.
- \* Provides safety for clipping, twinning on and milking out sore udders.
- \* Proving very successful.

***A must on every crate. We build to fit most crates.***



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## **Cattle Handling**

### **Anti Kick Restrainer**



### **Restrainer fitted on a handyman Crate**



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## **Cattle Handling**



### **CHIN RESTRAINER**

With the chin support fitted the Rancher crate becomes the most versatile one available as it handles all ages of beast.

- \* De-horning is no problem.
- \* Keeping cattle up on their feet while clipping etc.
- \* Fits either side of the crate.
- \* A simple safe economic addition which makes such a difference.



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## **Cattle Handling**



### **SLIDING BACK GATE**

- \* Safer than swinging gates.
- \* Left or right hand opening.
- \* Effective even if not fully closed.
- \* Suitable for portable or permanent systems.
- \* Essential in every handling system.

### **THE ACCESS KIOSK**

- \* Closes the race to oncoming beasts keeping vets, AI inseminators and stockmen safe.
- \* Allows all round access behind the crate.
- \* Gates slam closed in race from either side.
- \* Ample headroom.
- \* Built to Rancher strength, design and quality.
- \* Now with sheeted sides.



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## **Cattle Handling**



### **MOBILE HANDLER**

- \* Easy to load and unload.
- \* No wheels and axles to trip over when in use as bogey is only for transport.
- \* Hurdles can be 5 feet high or 6 feet high.
- \* Any of our crushes can be used with this system.
- \* Up to 12 hurdles can be included in the kit.
- \* Skid unit can be supplied with brakes etc. to full legal requirements.



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## **Cattle Handling**



### **HURDLES**

- \* Available in 5 and 6 foot heights.
- \* Standard lengths 6 feet, 8 feet and 10 feet.
- \* Alternative lengths made to order.
- \* Sheeted hurdles are made to order.
- \* New plastic sheeting 6mm thick.

### **JOINING HOOPS**

- \* Available in 2 feet 3 inches and 5 feet internal widths.
- \* Variable width hoop - allowing narrower race for young stock.



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## **Sheep Handling**



### **MOBILE SHEEP HANDLER**

#### ***The most versatile handler in the market***

- \* 13 feet long, 6 feet wide, with Expamet floor.
- \* Wheels easily removed for ground level working. Jack provided.
- \* Use for routine work and shearing. Machine masts available.
- \* 3 feet dosing race optional.
- \* Narrow race has variable width.
- \* Can carry sheep around the farm.
- \* Easily towed with a farm bike or carry bike on trailer.
- \* Room to carry weigh crate, footbath, turn over crate, plus extra penning hurdles.
- \* All gates and hurdles are standard size.
- \* Penning hurdles are 3 feet 6 inches high with horizontal rails.
- \* Race can fit either side of trailer.
- \* Shedding from the race or out the end of the race allows up to four way shedding in one operation.

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## Sheep Handling



*Jacked up, wheels are easily removed.*



*The kit set up ready for sheep. With 10 penning hurdles will handle up to 140 ewes.*

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## Sheep Handling



### PERMANENT SHEEP HANDLING PENS

- \* 35 years experience designing yards.
- \* Able to offer sound, easy working systems for all flock sizes.
- \* All penning hurdles are 3 feet 6 inches high with 9 horizontal rails preventing sheep attempting to escape.
- \* A complete range of gates for all types.
- \* Hurdles railed and sheeted along with support posts to erect complete sheep handling/dipping set up.

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## Sheep Handling



### SYSTEM COMPLETE WITH DIPPER

- \* Race section adjustable in width.
- \* Race hurdles are 3 feet high for ease of working over.
- \* Penning hurdles all 3 feet 6 inches high, 9 rail.
- \* All galvanised finish.

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## **Sheep Handling**

### **GATES & PENNING**



#### **SWING/SLIDE GATE**

- \* Available in 6 and 8 feet lengths.
- \* Swinging gate that gathers sheep up to gate.
- \* Gate is brought up behind the flock, slides on it's axis never opening against the flow.



#### **SHEARING GATE**

- \* Sheep can be drawn out and gate springs shut automatically.
- \* Available in 6 and 8 foot lengths.
- \* Sheeted

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## Sheep Handling

### STOP GATE

- \* Sliding gate which stops the sheep at the end of the race.
- \* Quick, quiet and positive action.
- \* Rancher's unique design.



### DRAFTING GATE

- \* Enabling swift shedding of sheep at front of race.

### WALK THROUGH GUILLOTINE GATE

- \* Available in either 3 feet wide or 20 inches as illustrated.
- \* Rope operated lift gate which also swings as a normal gate.
- \* Supplied with pulley, weight and rope.



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## Weighing



### LAMP WEIGHER - ELECTRONIC

- \* Silver award in 1995 R.H.A.S.
- \* Open top gives excellent handling access.
- \* Indicator mounted on side away from operator.
- \* Unique sliding gates give positive action for quick weighing.
- \* Sheeted sides cut down animal distraction.
- \* Wheels and handles fit either end.
- \* Linking eyes on both ends.
- \* Spray can holders are standard.

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## Weighing

### MULTI PURPOSE WEIGH PLATFORM



- \* **New implement Award Scheme R.H.A.S. 1996.**
- \* Accurate, fast weighing up to 1800Kgs.
- \* Handy for weighing a variety of produce.
- \* Fits easily into cattle race.
- \* Lightweight and easy to move.
- \* Galvanised frame with non slip alloy tread plate floor.
- \* Using hurdles and gates it can be easily fitted for weighing other animals.



*Weigher  
illustrated in  
cattle race.*

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## Feeding



## SHEEP HOUSING

- \* Suitable for bedded yards or slats.
- \* Very easy to assemble (no nuts or bolts).
- \* Walk through feeders flat pack for storage.
- \* Designs suitable for hill sheep or lowland sheep.
- \* Simple to remove for cleaning out.
- \* Vertical or horizontal rail feed barriers.
- \* End gates on walk through feeders.



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## Feeding



## CATTLE HOUSING

*We are happy to help design and supply all barriers, gates, hurdles, posts and troughs to give a top quality lasting job.*

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## **Notes**

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## AWARDS

2002

R.H.A.S. - CATTLE RESTRAINER - SILVER AWARD.

1999

JOHN LOGIE BAIRD FOR INNOVATION - CATTLE RESTRAINER.

1996

R.H.A.S. - MULTI-PURPOSE PLATFORM  
WEIGHER - COMMENDATION.

1995

R.H.A.S. - LAMB WEIGHER - SILVER AWARD.

1986

R.H.A.S. - RANCHER CATTLE CRATE - SILVER AWARD.

1983

R.H.A.S. - SELF CATCH CATTLE HEAD GATE - SILVER AWARD.



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