

BOTTOM LINE It's not the cost to buy, it's the cost to use.



Saves time and money, increases productivity

Zuiderveld Hoof Trimming • Jerome, Idaho Hoof trimmers for the dairy industry.

The equipment

Zuiderveld Hoof Trimming runs two mobile hoof trimming chutes. The chutes are electric over hydraulics, 36-volt DC system powered by 6-volt heavy-duty deep cycle batteries (charged nightly).

The story

Zuiderveld Hoof Trimming was experiencing issues with low battery life and slow moving chutes in the winter.

With conventional systems, the hydraulic pumps run continually, so the system maintains heat. That's not the case with the battery operated mobile chutes. The only time the hydraulic fluid is running is the short time it takes to pick up and put down a cow, making it build up heat in the system.

Determined to find a solution, the trimmers even tried using block heaters on the hydraulic tank – but that didn't work. The hydraulic fluid was just too thick in the colder temperatures.

The results

Zuiderveld Hoof Trimming then decided to try Schaeffer's #204SAT All-Trans Supreme® and noticed a difference immediately. Before on a good winter day, they could trim up to 7-8 cows an hour, but that's increased to 14-16 cows an hour, going from \$60/hr. to \$120/hr. per truck earnings. All-Trans Supreme® paid for itself in the first three hours, and the trimmers could work the same amount of time and earn double the money.

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