

Feed Station

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Liz DePoy: So this is our feed station. And, a couple of things about this, first the bins. To eliminate the, um, difficulty of bending and lifting, the bins are all raised, so all that I have to do is open the top, go in, scoop and put the feed into the bucket here. A second thing is that all of the buckets are one, hung in close proximity, along with all of the, um, supplements. And each one is color coded, so that I know, um, even in dim light, I can see which bucket is which. And I don't confuse who gets what supplements. These little covers keep flies out of the bucket, so that flies don't lay eggs and other icky things (laughs) in their feed. So once I'm done with putting their food out, all I have to do is put these buckets in the lightweight cart. And this cart is a godsend because, it doesn't – I can lift it with one hand, and just wheel it in and then feed everybody.

Stephen Gilson: Well, the other part of that is the cart really is designed, or really is a marine cart- its designed for working around boats and on docks and those types of things. But part of, and as such, its lightweight, collapsible, its aluminum, so it's not going to, uh, rust. It also has these large wheels. So the wheels don't get stuck in any of the cracks and crevices – cause we have a traditional old dairy barn, with wood plank floors. And so it easily rolls around the multiple surfaces, over the pads – and so there's kind of ease in the safety issue.

Liz DePoy: And we've learned a lot about wheels. Um, you know, we started out with uh, the bucket carts that had small wheels and then finally realized that the size of the wheel makes a huge difference in the ability to roll and where you can roll it.
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