

Re: Electric fences

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On Thu, 23 Aug 2007 16:08:43 -0700, in sci.electronics.design "Paul Hovnanian P.E." <paul@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

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On Thu, 23 Aug 2007 20:33:17 GMT, in sci.electronics.design "Alan Beamish" <alan.beamish@xxxxxxxx> wrote:

I'm about to get some chickens and was thinking that an electric fence might help to deter foxes. Does anybody know how the fence energisers work ? I thought I might try experimenting with an old ignition coil and relay to open and close the primary coil but I imagine that the primary current would be high. Any thoughts will be gratefully received.

Thanks,

Alan

Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall is an advocate of the ladder system. The hen house is raised on an old telegraph pole, or similar stout support, to a height of about two metres. Access to the hen house is via a ladder, made by knocking simple steps into a long, stout pole. The design of the ladder is deliberately crude and rickety: a chicken will be able to use it, but a fox will not.

Martin

One could make such a ladder from a pole mounted in a bearing at either end and balanced so that the weight of a chicken will not cause it to rotate but that of a fox will. If a fox tries to climb it, it just rolls

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see if you can download some of his programs. Somewhat British, and funny
And his teeth seem OK (generic brit joke)

Martin

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