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One Step Ahead Of Squirrels

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Everyone has a wild bird feeding enthusiast on their Christmas shopping list. We have a couple of new products that are sure to be a big hit with a lot of backyard birders; especially those that cannot abide squirrels pigging out at their feeders.

SquirrelStop

The new SquirrelStop will convert any tube-type feeder into a squirrel tilt-a-whirl. When a squirrel tries to raid your sunflower seed, the extra weight on the feeder causes it to start spinning and throws the squirrel to the ground. The SquirrelStop works on any hanging feeder weighing up to 10 pounds and works on three "D" batteries.

SquirrelScatter

The next new item is the SquirrelScatter. This feeder may be a little controversial for some. It delivers a mild electric shock to any squirrel, raccoon or opossum that tries to eat from the feeder. I speak from experience when I say a mild shock. The feeder works on two "D" batteries for up to three months and by that time all the squirrels in the neighborhood should be conditioned to stay away from the SquirrelScatter.

And for Squirrel Lovers ...

We still have squirrel food and feeders for those "furbird" lovers so don't get the wrong idea that we are completely anti-squirrel. For those people that enjoy feeding squirrels, we have a few new products and ideas.

Peanut Feeders for Birds

One other neat feeder that will be a hit with the avid or novice birdfeeder is a peanut feeder.

The Downey Woodpeckers at my house are already getting demanding when the peanuts run low. Before long, they probably will be tapping on the kitchen window for us to fill the feeder.

The Carolina Wren that spends the winter eating the spider egg sacks under our deck also appreciates the peanuts for a change of menu.

If you have never offered peanuts, you might want to give it a try. Peanuts are a big hit with a lot of different birds and a peanut feeder would make a unique Christmas gift for your favorite birder! ■