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New Holland adds mower

NEW HOLLAND — A new, 7-foot heavy-duty disc mower has been added to the Sperry New Holland hay equipment line. The new Model 463 mower features six heavy-duty discs with free-swinging reversible knives that turn at 3000 RPM. A heavy-duty PTO with overrunning clutch and replaceable wear plates for the cutterbar are additional features. Knives are heavier than on previous models.

The Model 463 mower is

recommended for difficult mowing conditions. It is more effective than sicklebar type mowers in soft, thick grass crops that tend to stay wet in the stubble area because the fast turning knives cannot plug. Fire ant mounds, tangled crops, dense undergrowth and coarse grasses are handled with equal ease. Ground speed can be higher than for most sicklebar type mowers. A 45HP tractor is required.

PFA names manager

CAMP HILL — Joseph R. Patti, of Mechanicsburg, is new manager of the Group Purchasing Division of the Pennsylvania Farmers' Association. (PFA).

In making the announcement, PFA administrative secretary Richard Newpher said, "Joe Patti will head a statewide operation which sells Safemark farm equipment supplies, Pennsylvania-produced Penn Best consumer food products, and provides service and supplies for roadside

farm markets."

Before coming to PFA, Patti was District manager for Maremont Corporation of Chicago for three years, handling distribution of auto parts in Pennsylvania and southern New Jersey. He also has 13 years experience with Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. in various capacities including store manager, assistant district manager and assistant regional personnel manager.

Orchard tractor debuts

BRIDGEWATER, N.J. — The new Same Corsaro 70 is a 70 HP orchard tractor that stands just 4' 1½" to the top of the hood. Two-wheel drive with "on-demand" four-wheel drive is standard.

Other features include full synchronized transmission with 8 forward and 4 reverse speeds, hydrostatic steering, hydraulics with two double-acting remote-control valves plus 12½ gallon pump, and independent 540 RPM and ground drive power take-offs.

Available options include full-time two-wheel drive, and 12 or 14 forward and 7 reverse speeds.

"We didn't just add smaller tires to a 'utility' tractor," comments a Same spokesperson. "The Same Corsaro 70 is designed specifically for orchard and grove work."

All Same tractors are powered by air/oil-cooled, direct-injection Same diesels, which, according to the manufacturer, are up to 40% more fuel efficient than water-cooled diesels of comparable power.



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Cobb, Tyson in joint venture

CONCORD, MASS. — Cobb, Incorporated of Concord, Mass., and Tyson Foods, Inc. of Springdale, Ark., have announced a joint venture to breed and develop the Cobb 500, a breeder female featuring fast growth, low fat and high meat yield.

The two companies will each own one-half of the new venture called Arkansas Breeders, which will pedigree the Cobb 500 at Pea Ridge, Ark. Cobb will distribute and service the 500 throughout the United States and Canada. The joint venture does not involve Cobb's male and new breeder pullet or Tyson's Vantress line.

"The Cobb 500 represents the efforts of many generations of selective breeding to produce a bird that meets the changing demands of the U.S. market. Not only do the 500 progeny offer high feed efficiency, fast growth rate and disease resistance, they also produce a high yield of white meat compared to total weight. In addition, the 500 parent is easier to manage than most similar breeds," reports Anthony H. Barnes, Cobb president. The Cobb 500 has attained a U.K. free market share in excess of 70 percent.

Barnes believes the joint venture

with Tyson will be to mutual advantage because of the Tyson-owned high quality facilities located at Pea Ridge.

Leland Tollett, Tyson's president and chief operating officer, says the joint venture will give them access to the 500, which he feels is "the best breed of its type in the world." Tyson will use substantial quantities of the 500 to meet market demands when full production is attained.

Tollett further states that the Cobb 500 bird will enable Tyson to continue expansion in the growing value-added and deboned chicken markets.

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