

Case Stages Encore Performance Of Magnum Tractors

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — J I Case held the "encore performance" of its next generation of Case International Magnum tractors during Case IH dealer business meetings held in five cities across North America this week.

The new 7200 Series Magnum tractors include five models, the 7210, 7220, 7230, 7240 and 7250, which are rated at 130, 155, 170, 195 and 215 PTO horsepower (97, 116, 127, 145 and 160 kW), respectively.

"When Case initially introduced the Magnum tractors in 1987, they represented the first real industry breakthrough in tractor design in more than two decades," said Tom Stadtmueller, J I Case director, agricultural equipment product management. "More than anything, the Magnum tractors are a line developed from customer input. We asked customers — thousands of them — to describe their dream tractor. And then we built it."

Since then, according to Stadtmueller, the tractors have undergone a careful evolutionary process.

Ron Morishita, J I Case product manager-Magnum tractors, explained that the new line retains key features customers have liked about the 7100 Series Magnum tractors.

Key changes to the line since the introduction include making in-cab hydraulic flow controls standard, reducing steering and shift-lever effort and providing an extra-slow creeper-speed option. A four-speed reverses has also been added, as well as many other features customers requested during the past several years. "All told, we've made more than 200 significant improvements during the past six years," said Morishita. "And now, the 7200 Series incorporates even more features our customers have been asking for."

Morishita identified turning radius as a major improvement that enhances performance. The turning radius required with the new 7200 Series tractors is now as much as 11 percent tighter than on previous models. To achieve tighter turns, the lower front grill and side panels have been re-sculptured and steering angles modified.

Several other changes have been made inside the cab to make operation easier and more comfortable. One is the replacement of the hydraulic flow control lever with a control knob to allow infinite adjustment. The addition of the new multimode MFD system facilitates tighter, shorter turning when using the brakes for turns. When set in the "alternate on"

mode, applying either brake disengages the front drive and allows the tractor to turn shorter than would be possible with the front drive engaged. When the turn is completed, the MFD re-engages.

Among other changes operators will notice in the cab is an improvement in the seat that reduces fatigue and provides even greater operator comfort. A new deluxe seat is also available.

The cab also features a new, advanced air-conditioning system that makes use of a more environmentally friendly refrigerant. Compressor capacity has been increased to make sure the system offers the comfort levels farmers have come to expect from a Magnum.



At 170 PTO horsepower, the 7230, like the other Magnum™ models, features a standard 18-speed full power-shift transmission with four reverse speeds.

Maryland Joins Ag For NAFTA

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Maryland Secretary of Agriculture Robert L. Walker has announced that the Maryland Department of Agriculture has joined a national organization of agricultural interests supporting the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

Known as Ag for NAFTA, the coalition represents a broad spectrum of farm organizations and

agribusiness firms working to secure approval of the trade agreement by the U.S. Congress.

"There is absolutely no question that NAFTA will benefit Maryland agriculture. The demand for our products in Canada and Mexico is tremendous. This pact will mean increased exports of Maryland agricultural products throughout this hemi-

sphere. The result will mean expanded markets for Maryland agriculture and more jobs," Walker said.

"My fellow agriculture secretaries in the Mid-Atlantic region and around the country see NAFTA as a real boost to the U.S. economy. Increased trade can only help our agricultural industry which is still number one in the world. Nations everywhere are clamoring for U.S. food products to help feed their people. Now is not the time to stifle the expansion of these markets," said Walker.

More than 100 groups make up the Ag for NAFTA coalition including state agencies and farm organizations such as the American Farm Bureau Federation, the National Corn Growers Association, and the National Cattlemen's Association.

Ostrich Breeders Plan Local Association

GREENSBURG (Westmoreland Co.) — A steering committee met recently in Harrisburg to form a local association of ostrich breeders.

This plan was the culmination of a two-day conference at Royal Ostrich in Greensburg in September. More than 150 from 10 states attended.

Highlights of the seminar included a panel presentation chaired by Logan Dickerson, owner of Royal Ostrich, and Doug Kayser, Royal Ostrich manager.

Panelists included Sid Smith,

owner, Blue Streak Ostrich, Carnegie, Okla.; Dr. Ed Gilsleider, veterinarian, Claremont, Okla.; Dr. Marilyn Coleman, president and live production specialist, MAC Associates, Columbus, Ohio; and Robert Lakey, lawyer and president of American Ostrich Association, Sayre, Okla.

Smith has been breeding for six years and has taken his operation from two birds to an inventory of almost 200 birds. He attributes the success to his wife Peggy's constant attention to the operation.

Gilsleider presented diagnostic and treatment procedures as well

as guidelines on purchasing ostriches. Coleman provided statistics from her consultancy in the poultry industry. Lakey discussed the role of local and national associations.

The panel presentation was followed by a tour of the Royal Os-

trich Farm. The next day, the local ostrich association was discussed and Doug Kayser was named chairman of the organization.

For more information about the local organization of ostrich breeders or Royal Ostrich, call Doug Kayser at (412) 836-1802.






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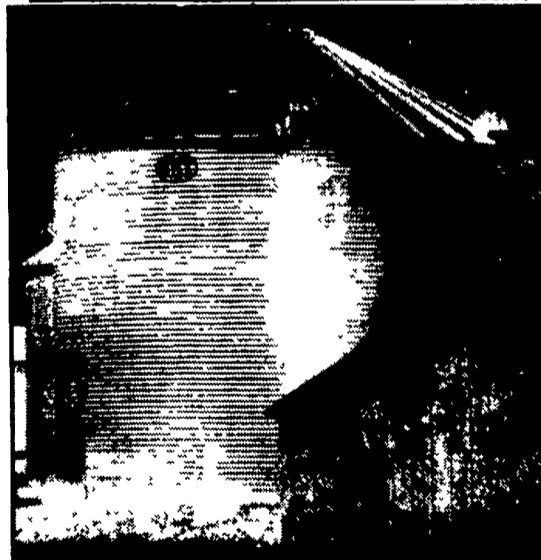

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