

Claas Adds Disc Mower

COLUMBUS, Ind. – Claas of American broadens its Claas Uniform hay tool range with the addition of the new Uniform CD240 disc mower. The Uniform range offers reliable haytools for an economical price.

The CD240 disc mower is equipped with six cutting discs for fast and even cutting over a working width of 7 feet 10 inches. The active feed discs transport the mowed crop efficiently over the cutter head. The mower head is easily serviced in the event of damage.

The Uniform CD240 will mount easily on category II tractors and can be raised to transport hydraulically from the trac-



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tor set. The rugged design assures dependable performance.

For more information, contact Claas of America, Inc., P.I. Box 3008, Columbus, IN 47202-3008, (812) 342-4441.

Contest Winner Attends Sorghum Meeting



Jeff Kjellander, DeKalb genetics sorghum product manager, right, presents an award plaque to contest winner Greg Manners.

RENO, Nev. – Greg Manners, of Ringoes, N.J., recently attended the 1998 National Grain Sorghum Producers Annual Meeting held here as a guest of DeKalb Genetics Corporation.

Manners earned the trip as the New Jersey first place win-

ner in the 1997 National Grain Sorghum Yield and Management Contest. The winning entry in the no-till Dryland division of the contest was won with Dekalb Brand DK36 yielding 90.76 bushels per acre. He joined a total of 43 state and three national winners who earned their awards with a Dekalb grain sorghum hybrid.

In addition to a winning sorghum crop, Manners grows hay, wheat, corn, oats and rye. He also has 50 head of beef cattle. He has earned the state first place award in the sorghum yields contest for several consecutive years, and also operates a Dekalb seed dealership.

Manners joined approximately 400 top sorghum producers and contest winners from across the nation at the NGSP annual meeting. The program included education sessions, entertainment and an awards banquet. The next NGSP Annual Meeting and Research Conference is slated for Tucson, Ariz. Feb. 21-23.

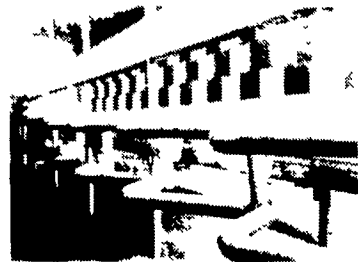
Parlor Has Brisket Rail

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – The Olympic Parlor was designed by Alfa Laval Agri and manufactured by Blue Diamond Manufacturing Co. with cows' comfort and ease in mind, as well as dairy producers' time and money.

The parlor is built to be durable, reliable, and require less installation time.

One of the benefits the Olympic features is a brisket rail to provide stall definition. This helps each cow quickly find her stall. Each cow is then positioned in two directions for proper placement to ensure safety and milking comfort.

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brisket rail. A pressure adjustment is placed on each cow's shoulder and brisket to position her against the rumprail and butt pan.

Seedway/Asgrow Announces Yield Contest

HALL, N.Y. – Speedway has announced a yield contest for Asgrow corn hybrids and soybeans and Seedway corn hybrids, effective this harvest season

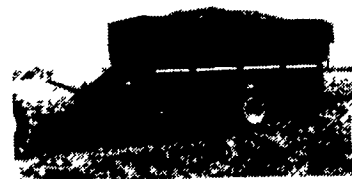
Each of the 11 Seedway sales district will award free seed to three winners for spring 1999 planting those participants with winning soybean entries

BIRD IN HAND (Lancaster Co.) – Millcreek Manufacturing introduces a new high-capacity version of its row mulcher, a machine that applies compost and organic mulch in rows for agricultural applications.

The new Model 2000 Row Mulcher has a 20 cubic yard capacity and is capable of creating mulch rows up to 1/2 mile long with one load.

Millcreek Row Mulchers are widely used on a variety of crops, including grapes, blueberries and other bramble fruits, citrus and other orchard fruits, some vegetables, and for nursery stock.

The Model 2000 Row Mulcher helps make mulch application more efficient for growers, typically saving 2/3 of the time and



The Millcreek Model 2000 Row Mulcher applies 20 cubic yards of organic mulch as fast as 20 minutes. It can spread a 1/2 mile long mulch row in a single load.

labor compared to conventional application methods. The new Model 2000 Row Mulcher applies 20 cubic yards of mulch in rows in approximately 15 to 20 minutes, depending on machine settings.

"We have tried to make com-

post application more efficient for growers," said Joe Glick, Millcreek president. "The use of compost and organic mulching materials helps reduce the need for herbicide application for weed suppression, helps retain soil moisture, and can help improve soil conditions. We have adapted simple, proven spreader technology to help more growers make more extensive use of mulch and compost in their cultivation programs."

The Millcreek Row Mulcher allows a single operator to apply compost and mulch to a typical acre of rows in about two hours, depending on crop spacing. Operators can adjust the mulch bed size from 12 inches to 84 inches wide and from 1/2 inch to 12 inches deep.

Peterson Named Emerging Technologies Manager

DES MOINES, Iowa – Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc., recently promoted R. Todd Peterson to emerging technologies manager within the agronomy sciences department of the company's North American Seed division.

Peterson was formerly precision farming specialist within the agronomy sciences department. The change reflects the expanding role Pioneer Hi-Bred is playing in cutting-edge agricultural technology for its customers, including precision farming and other emerging agronomic and information technologies in crop production.

Peterson leads a group of scientists and agronomists that helps Pioneer customers adopt these new technologies. The team conducts and coordinates precision farming research, delivers educational programs to growers and supports the Pioneer field sales team in helping customers incorporate new technologies into their farming operations. The group will continue research on the accuracy of yield monitors and mapping



Dr. Todd Peterson

systems, the use of variable-rate seeding, the value of site-specific crop management techniques and other innovative agricultural production methods for farmers.

Pioneer began working with precision farming systems in 1993 to better understand how these technologies would impact the company and its customers.

"As crop production steps into the next century, Pioneer is leading the industry in providing customers the agronomic knowledge they need to make the greatest possible profit from our products and today's technologies," said Dr. Paul Carter, Pioneer agronomy sciences manager. "Under Todd's leadership, we combine the practical field level research needed to understand precision farming technologies with a personal approach to delivering research results and recommendations to growers."

Peterson was graduated from Saint Olaf College in Northfield, Minn., with a bachelor's degree in biology/plant ecology. He then earned his master's and doctorate agronomy from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. He completed postdoctoral work with the USDA-Agricultural Research Service and the University of Minnesota.

Peterson is a member of the American Society of Agronomy and is a certified crop adviser.

Woods Offers A Range Of Snow-Handling Attachments

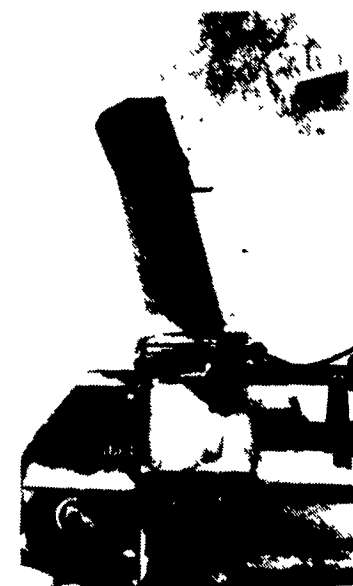
ROCKFORD, Ill. – Woods Equipment Company offers a range of snow handling attachments that have been carefully engineered to meet demanding applications in both the landscape and agricultural markets.

In the snow blower market, Woods' series of two stage, tractor-mounted snowblowers feature heavy ribbon-type feeder augers for a variety of snow types, a three blade fan for consistent and continuous snow discharge and a hydraulically operated discharge chute that allows faster performance.

"Our snow blowers and blades focus on performance, no matter what the snow condi-

tion," said Lance Hart, marketing manager for snow handling products. "The blowers offer both single and double-configuration feed augers, which break up icy snow while resisting plugging that can be caused by heavy, wet snow."

Woods Equipment Company also offers a full range of rear-mount scraper blades rated for tractors from 12 to 150 hp. The RB600, RB700, and RB800 are designed for use in snow removal applications, with a reversible high carbon steel curved cutting edge. They feature 72, 84 and 96-in. working widths, and are rated for tractors up to 60 hp.



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To participate, a minimum of one acre will be harvested and yields determined by Seedway weigh wagon, pad scales, combine yield monitor, or elevator scales.