



New Products

► Introducing products, services for cattlemen

Lighted clipper

Andis introduces the first lighted clipper for cattle, the AGCL Light Speed.™ The new clipper is equipped with four light-emitting diodes (LEDs) to light the entire clipper blade 18 times brighter, assuring expert clipping even in dark, shadowed areas. The light can be turned on or off with the flip of a switch. The heavy-duty rotary motor clipper has a speed of 4,400 strokes per minute and is designed for professional use.

The LEDs are an ideal source of light, because they do not heat up and can withstand heavy use without burnout. The new clipper is equipped with a Super Blocking Blade, designed with a sharp blade tip that is excellent for sculpting and carving. The clipper's blades are detachable for easy changing and cleaning.

A locking switch button ensures that the clipper will not shut off accidentally while it's being used. The clipper's cord is 18 feet (ft.) long and is constructed so it remains flexible in all types of weather conditions.

The clipper's housing is break-resistant to protect the internal parts, and it is manufactured to withstand the effects of harsh chemicals. The motor is sealed to minimize noise and help it stay cool. The clipper comes with a one-year warranty.

To find a local distributor, call 1-800-558-9441 or visit www.andis.com.

Roundup Ready Alfalfa

Monsanto announced the launch of new Roundup Ready® (RR™) Alfalfa during the

World Ag Expo in Tulare, Calif. This product provides growers with a greater application window than conventional herbicides to allow more flexibility in weed-management practices.

According to the release, research shows that using Roundup® agricultural herbicides with Roundup Ready Alfalfa allows improved management practices that lead to better-quality hay, which is good news for producers. U.S. regulatory agencies granted full approval to alfalfa containing the Roundup Ready trait for commerce within the United States, including approval for marketing and consumption as food, food ingredients and feed for livestock. These products also have food and feed approval in Japan and Canada.

Roundup Ready Alfalfa is for sale and planting only in the U.S., and not for the production of sprouts or seed. Hay and hay products of Roundup Ready Alfalfa may be exported only to countries where regulatory approvals have been granted.



Marketing announcement

Schering-Plough Animal Health and AgriLabs announced that, effective Jan. 23, 2006, the product Colostrx® was to be marketed and distributed to U.S. Animal Health distribution exclusively by Agri Laboratories Ltd.

For more information call AgriLabs at 1-800-542-8916 or visit www.agrilabs.com.

New alfalfa varieties

NK® Brand Seeds announces Liberator and Revolution alfalfa, the first NK Brand alfalfa varieties with Roundup Ready technology. The technology offers producers an excellent tool for enhanced stand establishment. By eliminating weed competition early, young plants can produce healthier, faster-growing stands to achieve their full genetic potential for higher-quality and higher-yielding alfalfa production.

Liberator combines outstanding genetic potential with fast recovery and strong persistence to maximize performance in three-, four- and five-cut systems. It is well-suited for all major alfalfa forage production areas where varieties with fall dormancy ratings of 2 to 5 are planted, which is most of the United States.

In non-dormant growing areas, Revolution is the first NK Brand alfalfa variety with RR technology. It is well-adapted for forage production areas where varieties with fall dormancy ratings of 7 to 9 are planted, specifically central and southern California and southern coastal areas. Revolution combines excellent early growth and rapid recovery characteristics with tremendous yield potential for more tons of weed-free alfalfa produced per acre.

All NK Brand RR alfalfa varieties are treated with Apron XL® fungicide. For more information visit www.syngenta.com.

Wiring handbook

The *Wiring Handbook for Rural Facilities* is now available from the MidWest Plan Service (MWPS). This book replaces the *Farm Buildings Wiring Handbook*. The new handbook shows and explains materials and methods for assessing and installing electrical wiring in agricultural-type buildings and equipment.

Completely revised, reorganized and updated, this handbook reflects the 2005 National Electric Code (NEC) and current American Society of Agriculture and Biological Engineers (ASABE) standards. It features dozens of revised and new photographs, illustrations, tables, and examples that supplement explanations. Also included are new facts about illumination, plus expanded coverage of stray voltage and electrical safety around grain bins.

Chapters cover electrical design and component basics, branch circuits, service entrance, standby power, alarm systems, stray voltage and lightning protection. Example buildings provide guides for designing an entire electrical system for specific needs.

To order, visit www.mwpsdq.org.

