

KUHN SW 4004 TAKES ALL SIZED, SHAPED BALES IN STRIDE

PALMERSTON NORTH – (26 April 2011) Kuhn's new trailed SW 4004 square and round bale wrapper offers a huge range of features to contractors.



The SW 4004 is Kuhn's first ISOBUS compatible wrapper. Its sophisticated IntelliWrap system uses electronics and hydraulics to monitor the wrapping process and continuously control film overlap. The operator can easily adjust the number of film layers from the terminal, while the overall capacity of the machine means it can keep up with the output of today's balers.

Kuhn Technical Service Chris Bruce says ISOBUS compatibility means the SW 4004 is an easy machine to operate during long days in the paddock.

"A key feature is the ease with which you can change between bale sizes and shapes. It is ideal for a contractor doing wrapping for a variety of operators. Everything is programmed into the system from the start."

With its advanced hydraulics and electronics, the SW 4004 provides smooth operation.

The big multi-purpose wrapper features Kuhn's patented roller design that enables it to wrap the bale horizontally without the risk of contamination. The rollers also allow it to place more film accurately over the entire bale to prevent wrinkling and create a maximum oxygen barrier for excellent silage quality.

The innovations on the SW 4004 bale wrapper make a real difference when it comes to wrapping and storing high-quality fodder. For example, the wrapper automatically adjusts the wrapping process to match the oil flow from the tractor and the bale shape.

Chris says the SW 4004 also puts in a consistent performance. It will deliver the same high quality wrapping throughout the course of the day.

The Kuhn SW 4004 can wrap bales weighing up to 1500kg. It can handle large square bales of 1.2m x (0.6m-1.0m) x 2.0m, including double bales of 1.2m x 0.7m x 2.0m. It wraps medium square bales of 0.8m x (0.6m– 0.9m) x 2.0m and round bales up to 1.5m in diameter without any additional equipment.

Chris says the SW 4004 is notable for its strength and robustness, as well as its narrow 2.5m travelling width.

The wrapper features a hydraulic sliding frame that allows a unique drive-through operation. This gives the wrapper outstanding stability, even on slopes, and provides the driver excellent visibility of the wrapping operation. Bales dropped in difficult locations can be easily retrieved by backing over them if necessary.

Chris says the first Kuhn SW 4004 brought into New Zealand last year sold quickly, and the operator is extremely happy with its performance.

“Kuhn also put a machine here for trial and development work for the season. It has been working at regional field days. It’s been very well received by contractors and operators, and the stock that we had available for this coming season has been forward sold,” he says.

“From the Kuhn point of view, it shows the commitment and development they’re putting into this new product. It’s suited for the medium-to-large contractor and is a very well-priced machine on the market.”



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