

New Air System Captures “Lost” Grain

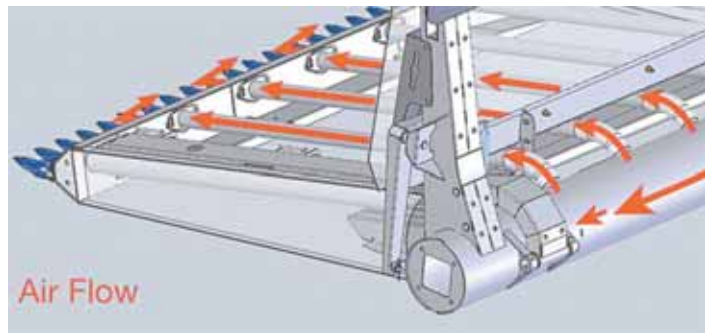
“There’s virtually no field loss using Geringhoff’s new Integrated Air System option on a TruFlex Razor draper head,” says Joel Dennis, marketing manager for the company. “We tested this header side-by-side in 2017 with a competitor and performance was outstanding. In some instances, we ran across terraced fields after the other header had harvested and were able to cut the stubble shorter and gain extra bushels per acre.”

Dennis says the key to the new header’s efficiency is a stream of air flowing across the cutterbar that carries seed to the draper belt and into the harvester. A distribution tube that extends across the back of the header platform feeds air into smaller tubes reaching the sickles. “The system captures grain that might otherwise fall to the ground,” Dennis says. He adds that “the 35 or 40-ft. models are different from all other drapers because

they have a flexible frame, a flexible cutter bar, and a flexible reel that allows them to follow uneven terrain, including terraces.”

The cutting bar can flex 12 in. up or down across the full width of the header for ground-hugging cuts that capture lodged and small-seeded crops. Header height control allows each frame section to follow contours independently. The operator can also lock both the cutterbar and frame or any combination in a rigid position within minutes.

Dennis says the hydraulic center knife drive on the TruFlex balances its weight and reduces the end panel width, allowing the Razor to slice cleanly through the crop. “This header is really an outstanding way to capture all of the grain in a field, including over-ripe fields where shattering can be a problem,” Dennis adds.



Geringhoff’s TruFlex Razor draper head is available with a new Integrated Air System. A distribution tube behind header feeds smaller tubes that extend up to sickle bar.

The header is recommended for Class 6 or larger combines and fits any of those models currently on the market. Contact a Geringhoff dealer for pricing and availability.

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Bean Saver For Deere Flex Heads

If you’re not satisfied with the job done by the flex header on your Deere combine, you’ll be interested in Lankota’s new bean saver brush kit. It’s designed for Deere Flex heads equipped with auger platforms.

The bean saver kit fits all Deere 200, 900, and 600 Series Flex and rigid platform heads. It comes in 5-ft. sections, connects with powerful magnets, and can be applied to the entire length of the head. Each section is fitted with 8 round magnets that attach to the top and back side of a steel support beam on back of the auger platform.

According to the company, the brushes greatly reduce the amount of beans thrown out of the head by the auger. The 5-ft. brush sections allow you to customize the amount of coverage desired, whether that be one or two sections to cover the feederhouse or 6 total sections to cover a 30-ft. head.

“As far as I know this is the first bean saver brush kit designed for flex heads, and the magnet design makes it possible,” says Rob. “Each magnet has 112 lbs. of pulling

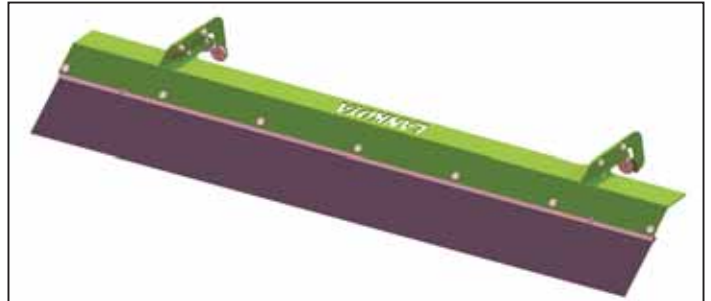
weight, and as a result no bolts are required for installation. The brush sections can be easily removed and installed on a different flex head, or even on a corn head or a pickup head for small grains.”

Sells for \$475 plus S&H.

The company also has a bean saver brush kit for Deere Flex Draper heads. It has 2 separate brushes to help reduce bean loss. The top brush sits right above the drum and helps prevent beans from getting thrown out of the head from excessive drum speeds. The bottom brush slightly overhangs the center draper belt and helps prevent beans from getting thrown out the front of the head by the center belt, especially when finishing a pass and raising the head off the ground.

Sells for \$625 plus S&H.

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Lankota’s new bean saver brush kit is designed for Deere Flex heads equipped with auger platforms (above). They also offer a bean saver kit for Deere Flex Draper heads.

Fender-Mounted “LightGuards”

“I got the idea one day while driving my tractor past a tree. A branch got caught on one of the fender-mounted lights and broke it,” says Steven Chalmers, Castle Rock, Colo.

The incident prompted him to come up with his new LightGuard that’s designed to protect fender-mounted stud lights. It consists of a 6-in. dia., 3-in. deep powder-coated aluminum ring with 4 rubber “feet”. A slot in one side leads to a 3/4-in. dia. mounting hole in the bottom.

The operator removes the mounting nut from the light stud and lifts the light fixture above the fender, then positions the ring over it. He uses the slot to slide the ring past the wire until it aligns with the fender hole, allowing the stud to drop through both the ring and fender. He then replaces and tightens the mounting nut.

“It’s easy to install, with no need to disconnect the wiring,” says Chalmers. “The rubber feet keep the ring from scratching the fender, and prevents rattling. The feet are attached to the ring with aluminum rivets, and they’re made from weather resistant rubber so they’re very durable. The ring is sturdy enough that you can grab onto it as you climb onto the tractor.”

Chalmers sells the rings on his website for \$39.95 per pair including S&H, and also sells them on Amazon and eBay. He says he’s willing to make other sizes of rings for larger lights if there’s enough interest.



LightGuard is designed to protect fender-mounted stud lights. It consists of a 6-in. dia., 3-in. deep powder-coated aluminum ring with 4 rubber “feet”. A slot in one side makes mounting easy.



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Modified quick-tach plate is equipped with a 2-in. ball hitch, gooseneck hitch, steps, and a 6-ft. long, 5-in. high grader blade.



“4-In-1” Skid Loader Quick Tach Plate

“I modified the quick-tach plate on my skid loader to make the machine more versatile. I use it to do everything from backing up trailers, wagons and gooseneck trailers to grading my driveway,” says Mark Majerus, Farmington, Minn.

He uses the quick-tach plate on his Case 1835B skid loader. The plate is equipped with a 2-in. ball hitch plate, a drawbar pin hitch, a gooseneck hitch, and a 6-ft. long, 5-in. high grader blade. The grader blade, located about 2 in. below the plate, is welded to 4 vertical lengths of 1 1/4-in. square tubing welded onto the plate.

“I use the blade to dig up ice and to level out hard, washboarded gravel,” says Majerus. “I can tilt the hitch plate down to keep the blade from digging or gouging, or position it straight up and down to use as a backdrag.”

The ball hitch plate is bolted to a receiver hitch that’s welded to the center of the quick-tach plate. Majerus drilled a hole on the end

of the ball hitch plate so that it doubles as a drawbar. He also welded a receiver hitch for a 2 5/16-in. gooseneck ball on top of the quick-tach plate.

“All the hitches are located close to the skid loader, which provides a lot of leverage when lifting and moving heavy gooseneck trailers,” says Majerus. “I added two homemade weights on back of the skid loader that total 640 lbs., which helps keep the machine’s front end from tipping up.”

Majerus added 3 homemade steps to the quick-tach plate by cutting pieces of rectangular tubing lengthwise in half, and then making zigzag cuts on both sides to form serrated edges that result in a good grip. He then welded the steps to the plate.

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