

County Farm Centre Ltd.

February 2012

Picton

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Crops: (613) 476-9183
Fuel: (613) 476-1613

Foxboro

552 Ashley St.
Store: (613) 962-0769
Fuel: (613) 961-0731

Madoc

278 Lawrence St. W
Store: (613) 473-9040
Fuel: (613)-473-2499

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Agronomy Corner

Pesticide Safety Courses

For those needing to renew their pesticide licenses or get a new one be sure to take advantage of upcoming courses in Picton:

March 8th

March 29th, if required

Courses start at 8:45 am sharp. Bring a pen/pencil, calculator and \$105 cash or a cheque written out to University of Guelph. Course manuals are available for pick-up now in Picton.

Call our Crops Offices (476-9183 or 962-0769) to book your spot.

Please join us for our
2012 Agronomy Conference

Date: Friday, March 9th

Place: The Banquet Centre, Belleville

Time: Registration Starts at 9:30
Hot Buffet Lunch will be provided

*Please call Foxboro
or Picton to RSVP*

You might be a farmer if...
you have driven off the road while examining
your neighbour's crop.

Be sure to visit us at the **Quinte Farm and Trade Show** on **February 16th** located at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Trenton

Fuel Section

As we look forward to a new year there is a lot of uncertainty about oil prices during the upcoming season.



County Farm Centre has a great tool to help ease the worry of price volatility for our farm and commercial customers. PRICE GUARD is a price protection plan that enables you to establish a ceiling on your fuel prices for up to six months. You and your business are protected against rising fuel prices, while having the benefit of paying a lower price if market prices decrease.

THAT IS VALUE!

Contact Tim Davey to sign up for this exciting program.

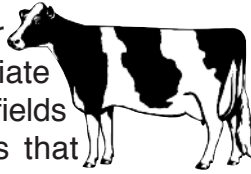
To help you prepare for spring, County Farm Centre carries a complete line of oils and grease at all three retail locations - Foxboro, Madoc and Picton. We are also glad to source any speciality lubricants you may require. Pay us a visit and talk to our sales associates about your specific needs.

"When I was born I was so surprised, I couldn't talk for a year and a half"

Feed Corner

2012 Year of the Toxins

It seems that this is the year for the toxins! Although our immediate area wasn't bad (however some fields are worse than others) it seems that toxin laden corn from western Ontario is finding its way into our area via distillers and/or other corn by products. It has been reported that the distilling of corn will increase the toxin level by 3X!



Game Plan?

- "Dilution is the Solution" (feed < 2.75 kg distillers per day)
- Reduce the source of contamination
- Feed binders vary from \$0.07 to \$1.00 per day
- When feeding binders, increase trace mineral availability and quantity
- Feed B vitamins
- Focus on close up cows! All too often we consider this a lactating problem. It starts pre calving!
- Feed freshest feed to the close ups then to lactating cows. Feed heifers and far off dry cows the 1st corn silage and HMC (high moisture corn) out of the bunk/silo. Thus reducing on farm toxins.

Best of luck,
Mike Ingram
Masterfeeds Inc

You are cordially invited to our own

Dairy Meeting

on

March 1st, 2012

at the

Belleville Banquet Center

1 Alhambra Square, Belleville, ON
from

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

~ Lunch provided ~

RSVP by February 22nd, 2012
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