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## Krone celebrates 40 Years of Round Balers

The Agritechnica\* show in Hanover in November 2017 was a fitting backdrop for Krone to celebrate 40 years of manufacturing round balers.

The story started in 1977 when an enthusiastic young engineer asked Dr. Bernard if he could have two weeks to build a prototype machine, using the floorchain out of their popular Optimat muck spreader.

The resulting prototype worked like a dream and was the beginning of a huge range of 'slat' type balers from Krone, from the early fixed chamber KR-series to the variable chamber 10-16 series, then further developed to become VarioPack and now Comprima.

The Krone slat system became known as the round baler that could bale virtually any crop, and is the reason for the large number of round balers operating throughout New Zealand today.

\* Organised by the Deutsche Landwirtschafts-Gesellschaft (German Agricultural Society), Agritechnica is one of the world's largest agricultural machinery trade fairs. In 2017, 2,803 companies from 53 countries, including the world's leading manufacturers, showed a full range of tractors, farm machinery, equipment, spare parts and accessories.



## GRASSLANDS 2020




### Start saving for what could be a once in a lifetime trip.

Yes, we are planning another Tulloch Grasslands Tour in May 2020, along similar lines to those of the past.

We plan to visit the famous Grasslands event near Coventry in England, the Krone factory in Emsland, Germany, and possibly into France for a visit to Monosem and SKY agriculture.

We will be away for around 20 days, and the cost per person is likely to be around \$8,000 with hotels and most meals included.

Numbers will be limited, so let Coral know if you may be interested. Tour places will be allocated on a first in, first served basis. 

Here's the happy bunch on our 2014 tour. The family of Christian Steichele, a contractor from Germany who worked at Tulloch for a season, treated our group to a Bavarian breakfast at their house in Schwabmühlhausen near Munich.

And at Victoria Falls Nick Gillot and Cheryl Brogden took time out for a novel excursion.



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# Welcome Overseas Visitors

## During the season we had several visitors from Krone, Monosem and Einbock.

First up was **Emmanuel Portier** from **Monosem**, France. Emmanuel came to assist with the installation of our first electric-drive 12-row planter, fully integrated via ISOBUS to allow autosteer functionality and section control to enhance productivity and minimise costs. The planter works in combination with a Monosem front tank for fertiliser, and both machines can be controlled using a single monitor. **Emmanuel is pictured here on the right with Patrick Nicolle.**

**Marco Leying** from **Krone** came to assist with our Big X demonstration programme and visited various customers and dealers while he was here.

**Martin Wagner** from **Einbock** in Austria came to support us with our first sales of Row Guard camera guidance systems fitted to ChopStar inter-row cultivators, along with the AeroStar and AeroStar Exact weeders. Being relatively new to the mechanical weeding game, we found out that there is more to it than meets the eye.

The machines we have sold have worked exceptionally well, however, and we're looking forward to promoting the weeders from now on. 🚀



Martin Wagner from Einbock



Marco Leying



Einbock Weeders





## New Staff Members

**We welcome several people who have recently joined our company.**

**Sam Simpson** is a recent recruit to our parts department, having moved from Auckland with his family for a "better life" in Masterton: "Masterton offers great education opportunities for our children, and we are closer to the grandparents. I only have a five-minute drive to get to work, and I am finding the job in the parts store very rewarding."

**Sue Long** has been employed in our administration department, with responsibilities for accounts and dealers order co-ordination. Sue has also produced our 2018 price book.

In December, **Mike Parker** moved full-time into the wholesale

parts department. Mike will be managing orders of baling consumables (new, twine and film) over time as his knowledge grows.

We have taken on a trainee in our sales department. **Callum Ceci** came to us from an agricultural contractor in Wanaka, so it is quite a change of scenery for him. Callum is enjoying the challenge assisting Cyril with retail sales, but he is also keen to learn more about our wholesale lines.

**Ned Phillips** has taken up a trainee position in the retail parts department. ➡

## 2018 Comprima CF 155XC baler/wrapper – Enhanced Model!

**We are the first country in the world to have received some of the latest 2018 Comprima CF 155 XC baler/wrappers.**

This latest update includes enhancements such as a new pick-up with rotor tube and helical tine arrangement, an ultrasound sensor for the bale on the wrapper cradle, and an updated hydraulic system.

The large CCI1200 monitor with room for monitoring two machines and several cameras will also be available. ➡

**Enhanced Model 2018 Comprima CF 155XC baler/wrapper**







SWADRO TC640 RAKE


## NEW KRONE RAKE LAUNCHED

The Krone Swadro TC640 is a new model launched in limited numbers this season.

It has a variable working width (on the move) of 5.8 to 6.4m, the perfect widths for most mower configurations when raking two rows into one to suit a round baler. Short and compact with optional steering, the TC640 is ideal for hilly or undulating conditions.



The Swadro is built with the same rugged design features that are well known on the larger rakes, so that's a guarantee for long life and reliability.

The early feedback from users is very promising, so we are gearing up for an increase in sales next season. 

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