

General Manager's Message



As we go to print, we are finally watching the last of the snow melt, and gather the patience we will need to get on with #plant18! By the time you read this, we should hopefully have engaged in our favorite season. Thank you in advance for your patience as we work through what promises to be a compressed planting season.

Your crops team is ready when you are to get the job done. Please remember to give as much notice as possible for your input requirements as we get rolling. Seed and bagged fertilizer deliveries are all but complete and we are turning our attention to crop protection and soybean deliveries.

Our greenhouses have filled with everything to make your yard and gardens great. Live goods are arriving daily, and your garden centre staff, have found you some great new varieties. You should have seen the Garden Centre Opener flyer by now, packed with some great additions to your landscape projects.

Don't forget your livestock during the busy spring season. Our feed division never quits! Lick tubs, salt blocks, chick starters and lamb grower, we've got your feed! Steve Todd, Barry Gordon and the rest of the feed team are available to help with all of your feed and livestock management requirements. You can reach Steve and Barry through your local NWC branch. Our spring mineral and lick-tub specials run until the end of May. Look for your coupons in this newsletter and on our website.

Your Energy Division is coming out of the busy home heat season and moving right into the busy farm fuel and maintenance season. The now "tried and proven" DIESELEX GOLD is available to increase power and performance, extend engine life, reduce repair costs and increase your profitability! Now is a great time to inspect your tanks. Are they level, do they need paint; are hoses, pumps and filters OK? Propane tanks need love too! Is it time for your 10 year propane tank inspection? Contact our Harriston office and ask for Allan or Kelsey. They can help with all your Energy related questions and service requests.

Have a great spring, work safe and take a minute to enjoy some great views along the way. Thank you for allowing us to serve you again this, our 74th season.

Regards,

Kelly Boyle
General Manager

New Employees

The staff and directors of North Wellington Co-op would like to welcome the following employees to our team:

- Hailey Shepherd - Store Clerk, Mount Forest
- Crystal Morley - Store Clerk, Durham

Item of the Month

Watering Can "Singles" Fertilizer

288 grams. All purpose water soluble plant food.
2675050

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Sale price in effect until May 31, 2018 or while stock lasts. First come, first served. No rainchecks.

Member Loans

MEMBER LOANS INTEREST RATES

For new investments & renewal of member loans at North Wellington Co-operative Services Inc.

TERM	\$100-\$4900	\$5000+
1 year	3.95%	4.45%
3 year	5.20%	5.70%
5 year	5.70%	6.20%

Rates subject to change based on Royal Bank prime rate.

Credit Notes

REMINDER: Please allow **at least** 3 business days for your payment to reach us. For online, telephone and ATM bank payments, the payment credit will show on your NWC account on the day that it is credited to our bank account, not the day you initiated it. Payments mailed by cheque will be credited on the day NWC receives it in the mail, not the date on the cheque or the postage meter. Remember, our due date is the **20th** of the month following.

Co-operative Young Leaders Program

This year, CYL Base Camp (youth ages 12 – 13) will run from Friday, June 1st – Sunday June 3rd.

CYL (youth ages 14 – 18) will run on the following dates:

- Senior: Sunday, July 8-Friday, July 13
- Intermediate: Sunday, July 15- Friday, July 20
- Junior A: Sunday July 22-Friday, July 27
- Junior B: Sunday, July 29-Friday, August 3
- Junior C: Sunday, August 5 – Friday August 10

For more information, please contact Justine Lennox at 519-338-2331 or jlennox@northwellington.ca.

Spring Mineral and Lick Sale




Floor Stock

Minerals & Premixes

\$2⁰⁰ off per bag

That is up to \$3.00 off per bag after discounts. Now is the right time to stock up on Masterfeeds and Lake Country Minerals and Premixes. Coupon is required to receive sale price. Multiple purchase permitted. Normal volume discounts apply. Expires May 31, 2018

Seeding more successful todays and tomorrows.



Bringing you what's next.™

Oil Clearance

Shell Donax TD ATF - 208 L Drum
43610445. Reg. \$729.00
Sale: \$469.99. Only 2 available

SIM32 Hydraulic Oil - 18.9L Pail
550026711. Reg. \$59.99
Sale: \$42.99. Only 9 available

DMO 30 - 205 L Drum
3982011. Reg. \$669.99
Sale: \$369.99. Only 1 available

Voice from the Feed Pen

FRESHCOW 28 PROTEIN BLEND PELLET

FOR DAIRY CATTLE DURING THE EARLY LACTATION PERIOD

FreshCow 28 Protein Blend is designed to be fed to dairy cows in early lactation to maximize dry matter intake and provide key nutrients required in this stage of lactation. FreshCow 28 provides alternative energy sources, high levels of rumen escape protein, highly fermentable fiber sources, additional vitamin E and special ingredients to optimize rumen health.

TOPLINE 38 SUPPLEMENT PELLET

FOR EARLY LACTATION & HIGH PRODUCING COWS

Topline 38 is a highly palatable, pelleted dairy topdress. It has been specifically designed to provide supplemental energy and protein as well as key nutrients for lactation and high producing cows from calving up to 100+ days in milk. It is formulated with high quality protein ingredients and protected amino acids to supply optimum levels of metabolizable amino acids especially Lysine and Methionine.

For more information, please contact Corrie Noble or Steve Todd.



Victoria Day Hours

In observance of Victoria Day, North Wellington Co-operative offices, bulk deliveries and stores will be closed Monday, May 21st, 2018.

Our **Garden Centres** will be open as follows:

Durham - 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Hanover - 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Mount Forest - 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Harriston - 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Our **Hanover Gas Bar** will be open as follows:

8:00 am to 7:00 pm.

Spring Mineral and Lick Sale



LICK TUB SALE

\$8⁰⁰ off 250 lb tubs

\$5⁰⁰ off 125 lb tubs

\$2⁰⁰ off 60 lb tubs

Come in and cash in on our lick tub sale. Coupon is required to receive sale price. Multiple purchase permitted. Normal volume discounts apply. Expires May 31, 2018

Voice From the Field

Corn & Soybean Planting Checklist:

It has been a slow start to the 2018 planting season, but here are some reminders and tips for planting your corn and soybeans this spring:

- **Seed at the right population:** If you are looking to maximize your corn yields, consider pushing the population. Certain varieties will give you an economic return for going as high as 36,000 seeds per acre. For soybeans, row spacing and variety dictate your desired population. Generally, on 7.5" rows you should be aiming for 180-200K seeds per acre, and on 15" rows, 160-180K. However, for both corn and soybeans, each variety's optimum population can vary, and I would recommend talking to your NWC crop specialist to what population would work best for your variety.

- **Ensure you are planting at the proper depth.** It is extremely important to check every row on your corn planter to determine if it is planting at the proper depth. Planting too deep can cause delayed emergence, but planting too shallow can result in improper root development or uneven germination in dry conditions. For corn, planting at 1.5" (3.75cm) is the general rule of thumb. For soybeans, you should be planting at least at 1" (2.5cm) depth, BUT in dry field conditions, you may be required to plant deeper, to ensure you are placing the seed into soil moisture.

- **Do not plant if it's too wet:** All though it might be tempting to get a jumpstart on planting, you are only hurting your yield potential in the long run by planting into wet soils. This will often cause 'side-wall compaction' which results in improper root growth. This will result in yield loss, especially if the summer turns out to be dry, as a poor root structure will not allow the crop to uptake adequate moisture and nutrients.

- **Be safe!** Spring can be a hectic time, but farm safety should be a top priority. Good luck to a successful and safe planting season!

Seed Supply—Meeting Farmers Needs All Spring

Did you forget about a field or come across new land? Do you need to patch-up a winter wheat field or touch-up a pasture? NWC is your destination for in-season seed needs. We carry a wide range of high yielding corn, soybeans from DEKALB, PRIDE Seeds, NK, PROSeeds and Secan; Spring Cereals from Bramhill Seeds and Cribit Seeds; Canola from Invigor; and various suppliers of Alfalfa and Grass seed. So if you run a few bags short, call your NWC Crop Specialist or stop into your local branch!

REMINDER TO PLANT SAFE!

Spring can be a busy a hectic time - always remember to follow machinery safety protocols, and to take your time and plant safe! Accidents only take a second to happen, please take every step to prevent them. From the NWC Agronomy department—we wish you a safe and prosperous 2018 growing season!

Did you update your Grower Pesticide license over the winter?

If so, please call or email NWC with your updated expiry date and number so we can add this to your account. Without an up to date license, we cannot sell you agricultural pesticides. If you need to give us this information, contact Justine in Harriston, or email the information to crops@northwellington.ca.

For Sale

One 5 ton Tyler Fertilizer Spreader with a Roll Tarp
Two sets of forlift forks with brackets to hook onto loader mount.
For more information contact Kelly Boyle or Corrie Noble in Harriston.

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