

Hemisphere GPS Introduces Outback MAX



During the 59th annual Farm Progress Show in Boone, Iowa, USA, Hemisphere GPS has introduced Outback MAX with Outback ConnX. The Canadian GPS manufacturer calls it the 'next generation' Outback Guidance system which will further simplify precision farming.

Working seamlessly with Outback eDriveX with eTurns, the Outback MAX integrated display terminal provides a full array of features including section and variable rate control, Eclipse L1/L2 GPS and GLONASS guidance, and video support for up to 4 monitoring cameras.

Outback MAX also provides wireless connectivity via the Outback ConnX data management system to deliver real-time data access and management. ConnX provides seamless data transfer between the Outback MAX terminal, office, and service providers ensuring efficient, accurate decision-making and farming operations. ConnX can automatically import and export data, engage customer service with remote control capability, and simplify connection to RTK correctors. ConnX is compatible with popular data platforms including AgJunction, AgVerdict, NutriScript HD, OptiGro, and Precision.Ag.

Kip Pendleton, senior vice president and general manager of agriculture at Hemisphere GPS, stated his company has established a new level of innovation with Outback MAX that will substantially improve the accessibility and effectiveness of automated guidance and application control. He continued by adding that the highly functional yet simple design of Outback MAX combined with the seamless connectivity between the field, office, and service providers greatly enhance the value that farmers can realise from precision farming techniques.

Building on the functionality of the Outback S3, the Outback MAX adds several new features. Outback MAX offers simplicity in design and operation, a powerful mapping engine, excellent screen clarity, seamless connectivity, and a rugged design that can operate in the rough environments often found in precision farming.

With a focus on simplicity, Outback MAX incorporates the ability to create shortcuts and favourites for the most commonly used tasks, facilitating a short learning curve with simple access to important features, getting farmers up and running quickly. The visual clarity of the high-definition, 10.4 inch, highly responsive touchscreen leads to more consistent and precise farming applications even in direct sunlight or during the night.

Outback MAX is compatible with eDriveX with eTurns, taking advantage of the most precise and feature rich automated steering available. With centimetre-level control and automatic turning at the end of each row, farmers benefit from consistently spaced rows with no overlaps and no skips, and reduced driver fatigue allowing them to work more hours in the field, especially when time is critical. Over 550 models of farm machinery are supported with custom-designed steering installation kits and model-specific, step-by-step installation instructions. Existing eDriveX users can upgrade capabilities without having to buy and install a completely new system.

The level of Outback MAX functionality can grow with farmers' precision agriculture needs. For example, customers can add a lightbar, section and variable rate control, ConnX for connectivity, and upgrade the level of GNSS positioning.