



Self-made tool : combine press and bale wrapper



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1 Description of the innovation



Jean-Luc Gaultier has been pressing and wrapping in a single tractor run for 15 years. For this, he wears a press (New Holland Rollbelt 150) to the tractor and a wrapper (Mc Hale HS2000 Bale Wrapper) to the press. This technique, much less expensive than the purchase of a a combined baler/bale wrapper, however is not very widespread in our campaigns.



Work time

Economic results

Meadow quality

FARMER'S STRATEGY

The farmer is alone on his farm. He had to find a solution to make his wrapping yards quickly and cheaply.

This allows him to maximize his chances of making a quality wrapping in the best conditions.

For this innovation, the only difficulty is the acquisition of a good handling technique. In addition, it is necessary to be careful when there is a slope so that the ball stays in the axis of the wrapper.



2 Description of the farm

ENVIRONMENT

Soil : loamy-sands, clay

Climate : Oceanic climate

Altitude : 360m

Grassland management

Pasture : Yes

Rotating grazing

Manure : 8 t / year

STRUCTURE

Annual Work Unit: 2

Agricultural area: 80 ha UAA

Main forage area: 80 ha

Permanent grassland : 12 ha

Temporary grasslands: 68 ha

Breeds : Limousine

Stocking rate : 1,4 LU / ha of forage area

ANIMAL PERFORMANCES

Average carcass weight: 400 kg (Heifer)

Average age when slaughtered: 14 months
(Heifer)

**Average European classification of the carcass
(EUROP):** U+ (Heifer)

WHY IT IS WORKING

This innovation can work on all plots that can be mechanized and do not show a steep slope.

Wrapping assumes that the farmer can impose rationing this feed.