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Thursday Morning

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9:00 Registration

Coffee and doughnuts. Free time to view exhibits and visit with Ag Industry Program Sponsors.

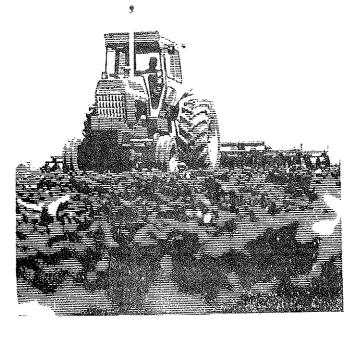
10:30 Crop Variety Updates and Highlights of Ongoing Crop Production Research

Tom Conlon, Superintendent and Agronomist, Dickinson Experiment Station

Jim Jakicic, Agronomist, Hettinger Research Extension Center

12:00 Lunch

Being provided by Program Sponsors and free time to visit with sponsors.



Thursday Afternoon

1:15 Welcome

Dr. H.R. Lund, Dean and Director, NDSU Agricultural Experiment Station

1:30 Ag Industry Update

"Chemicals for Control of Grasshoppers, Russian Wheat Aphid, and Rust of Wheat" Daniel Shelstad, Mobay Corp.

"The North Dakota Barley Council and You" - Bill Drummond, North Dakota Barley Council

"Hybrid Sunflowers for Western North Dakota" - Don Kenna, Contiseed - Division of Continental Grain

2:00 Pinto Bean Production in Southwestern North Dakota

August Kirschemann, Producer, Regent, N.D.

2:30 Grower Experience with Intensive Wheat Management and MEY

David James, James Farms, LTD, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

3:15 Approach of the Russian Wheat Aphid, Detection and Control

Dennis Kopp, Extension Entomologist, NDSU, Fargo, ND

3:45 Conclusion

Drawing for door prizes, coffee and opportunity to visit with sponsors.

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EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE

TRIAL DESIGN:

All variety trials at both station and off-station locations are randomized complete block designs with four replications.

SEEDING RATE:

Seed of selected varieties was cleaned and weighed to determine 1000 kernel weights. Seeding rates were calculated from 1000 kernel weights and germination percentages and were adjusted to provide a seeding rate of 1,000,000 live seeds per acre for hard red spring wheat and durum and 750,000 live seeds per acre for oats and barley. These rates are approximately equivalent to 60 pounds of wheat and durum (1 bushel), 65 pounds of barley (1.3 bushels), and 48 pounds of oats (1.5 bushels) per acre.

SEEDING METHOD:

At Hettinger all small grain trials were seeded with a plot drill designed for experimental plot trials. The drill is equipped with double disk openers set for a seven inch row spacing. Trial plots were four feet wide and twenty feet long.

At Dickinson, small grain trials were seeded with a six foot wide Kirschmann double disk press drill. Row spacing was six inches with the Kirschmann drill. Trial plots were five feet wide and one hundred thrity two feet long.

FERTILIZER APPLICATION:

At Hettinger as well as the Hettinger off-station locations, nitrogen and phosphorus fertilizers were broadcast and tilled under where needed to provide adequate fertility for yield goals of 45 bushels per acre of wheat and durum, 80 bushels per acre of oats and 65 bushels per acre of barley.

At Dickinson and all Dickinson off-station sites, nitrogen and phosphorus fertilizers were drill applied at seeding time. Fertilizer rates used were based on the same realistic yield goals used at Hettinger.

WEED CONTROL:

Herbicides used in the trials varied with the specific weed problems at each individual site. Chemicals utilized included: Brominal 3+3, 2,4-D, and Buctril for broadleaf weed control; Hoelon for control of wild oats; fall applied Treflan for Pigeongrass control; Treflan in sunflowers and dry beans; and Bladex + Atrazine or Banvel and Lasso in corn.

INTERPRETING STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Field research involves the testing of one or more variables such as crop varieties, fertilizers, tillage methods, etc. Field testing of such variables is conducted in order to determine which variety, tillage method, or fertilizer etc. is best for the particular area of production. The main objectives of crop production research are to determine the best means of producing the crop and how to maximize yield and economic return from farming.

Agricultural researchers use statistics as a tool in helping to differentiate the production variables in question so real and meaningful conclusions can be drawn from a relatively large amount of data. One of these tools is the Coefficient of Variability (C.V.%). This statistic gives an indication of the amount of variation in an experimental trial. Trials conducted at Hettinger used four replications or repetitions of the variable in question. For example, the variety, Stoa HRSW appeared four times (four replications) in the HRSW variety trial. In this case, the C.V.% for yield of the Hettinger HRSW variety trial was 12.1%. This C.V.% is a relative measure of how much the yield of all HRSW varieties varied between replications. In other words, C.V.% is a measure of the precision or effectiveness of the trial and procedures used in conducting the trial.

More can be said about a field trial with a relatively low C.V. (10% or less) than one with a C.V. of over 10%. Attempts are made to control human error and some environmental conditions such as conducting field studies on a uniform soil so variability between replicates is minimized with a resulting low value for C.V. (10% or less). In summation, a trial with a C.V. of 8% is more precise and more can be concluded from it than a trial with a C.V. of 18%.

Another important statistical tool is the Least Significant Difference or LSD. If the yield of variety A exceeds variety B by more than the LSD 5% value you can conclude that under like environmental conditions, variety A will significantly out-yield variety B 95% of the time. The LSD value allows you to separate varieties, tillage practices, or any other variable and determine whether or not they are actually different. The LSD 1% value is always larger than the value for LSD 5% and is used in the same manner. If the yield of variety A exceeds variety B by more than the LSD 1% value you can conclude that under like environmental conditions, variety A will significantly out-yield variety B 99% of the time. Little confidence can be placed in variety or treatment differences being meaningful unless the results differ by more than the LSD value.

GROWING CONDITIONS HETTINGER RESEARCH AND EXTENSION CENTER -1987-

Soil water recharge over the fall and winter months was 255 percent above normal (30 year average) giving an excellent moisture base for spring planted small grains. Most of this recharge occurred in September of 1986 when 6.77" of precipitation fell as mostly gentle rains with little runoff. Such a wet September did however ruin much of the later maturing crops such as dry edible beans and safflower which sprouted and molded. While April thru June precipitation was 2.25" below normal, small grains still produced good yields of high test weight, good quality grain. Although protein levels of hard red spring wheat in the variety plots were average to above, much of the area's harvested spring wheat was below average in protein. Last year's abundant September precipitation may have been a contributing factor in a general lowering of protein levels by leaching nitrogen from the soil profile.

Temperatures for the period April thru August were generally higher than the 30 year average as evidenced by Hettinger's recorded growing degree days, GDD(50-86). Over 18 percent more GDD units had accumulated by mid August than was normal for the area. Unseasonably warm temperatures in April, May, and June advanced the growing stages of all crops. Harvest dates for small grains were generally 2 weeks earlier than normal.

Several plant diseases prevailed in 1987 which lead to declines in production of some fields. Most noteable were wheat streak mosaic, tan spot of wheat and bacterial blight of dry edible beans. Wheat streak mosaic was moderate to severe in fields where volunteer small grains were not controlled. Varying levels of tan spot infected wheats and an unusually high incidence of bacterial blight was observed on the area's dry bean crop.

Reports of hail damage to small grains were frequent in mid July. For the first time in 4 years, 2 of Hettinger's off-station trials were damaged (one completely lost) due to hail storms.

WEATHER DATA SUMMARY HETTINGER, 1987

Precipitation	1986-87	30 Year Avg.
SeptDec. 1986 JanMar. 1987 April-June July-August	7.87 2.59 5.76 4.09	2.97 1.13 8.08 3.81
Total	20.31	15.99
Average Temperature F	1987 Avg.	30 Year Avg.
April May June July August	49.5 58.8 66.7 70.5 64.0	42 54 64 70 69

GROWING CONDITIONS - 1987

Total precipitation for the twelve month period, September, 1986 through August, 1987 was 21.19 inches which was slightly higher than for the preceding twelve month period. However, distribution of precipitation this year was much less favorable for crop growth than that of a year ago, resulting in considerably lower yields. Precipitation in April was only .17 inches, in May 1.87 inches and in June 2.32 inches, totaling 4.36 inches for the three month period. This was nearly 3.00 inches below normal. Coupled with below average precipitation was above average temperatures. Temperature for April was 7°F, for May 3°F and for June 5°F higher than the 94 year average.

Severity of leaf spotting diseases, except for tan spot, was generally low in western North Dakota. Low rainfall and high temperatures in May and June slowed leaf disease development.

WEATHER DATA SUMMARY

Dickinson 1987

Precipitation	1986-87	94 Year <u>Average</u>
Sept Dec. 1986	6.43	3.15
Jan Mar. 1987	2.73	1.53
April - June	4.36	7.30
July - Aug.	7.67	3.91
TOTAL	21.19	15.89
Average Temperature °F	1987 Average	94 Year <u>Average</u>
April	48	41
May	57	54
June	66	61
July	69	69
August	62	67

1987 HETTINGER ON-STATION HARD RED SPRING WHEAT VARIETY TRIAL

Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Grain Protein %	Heading Date June
747	51.3	58.8	15.8	13.5
Tammy	51.3	61.2	15.7	17
ND626	50.5	61.2	15.6	13
R162	50.3	61.3	14.3	21
Butte 86	49.5	61.5	15.6	12
Rambo	49.2	61.5	15.6	17.5
Wheaton	49.2	58.8	15.0	16.5
2369	48.9	60.9	15.7	13.5
ND639	48.6	61.1	16.3	13.3
Stoa	47.5	60.3	16.5	18.5
Roblin	47.4	58.6	16.3	12.5
		60.5	14.1	13
Challenger Nordic	46.8	62.4	14.3	20
			16.2	13.5
Guard	46.7	59.2		
ND636	46.6	61.2	15.1	14.5
R211	46.1	60.4	14.8	21
Marshall	46.0	60.2	14.9	19
Shield	45.9	59.8	14.8	13
Alex	45.9	61.7	16.2	21
Lew	45.8	61.4	15.5	19.5
ND618	45.4	60.5	16.4	18.5
Leif	45.3	60.8	15.5	19.5
ND632	45.3	59.7	16.0	19.5
Coteau	45.3	59.7	17.0	21
Norak	45.1	60.5	15.2	15
R208	45.1	59.3	16.0	20.5
ND631	44.7	60.8	15.9	16.5
MN82354	44.7	58.5	15.9	20
MN81110	44.5	57.4	16.8	17
SD2956	44.4	60.5	16.0	15
Laura	44.3	60.6	16.6	17.5
Katepwa	43.8	59.8	16.4	14
Lancer	43.6	60.4	17.0	1.7
Kenyon	43.4	59.3	16.7	15.5
R229	42.9	61.4	15.1	20.5
Len	42.9	61.5	16.1	19
Telemark	42.8	59.2	15.7	18.5
WB 926	42.5	59.8	15.4	13.5

All data adjusted to 12% grain moisture

1987 HETTINGER ON-STATION HARD RED SPRING WHEAT VARIETY TRIAL

Variety	Bushels	Test	Grain	Heading
	per	Weight	Protein	Date
	Acre	lbs/bu	%	June
Success	42.5	58.9	15.6	21.5
Celtic	41.8	61.0	15.6	18
Waldron	41.5	59.7	15.4	12.5
ND640	41.4	61.3	16.6	19.5
Cutless	41.2	59.4	17.0	21.5
2385	41.1	60.6	15.2	12
Apex 83	40.0	59.5	14.4	14
ND622	39.6	62.1	16.5	17.5
Norseman	39.3	59.4	16.1	20.5
Columbus	37.1	60.7	16.4	22
ND606	20.3	57.0	16.5	21.5
Highest Lowest Exp Mean C.V.% LSD 5% LSD 1% # of Reps	51.3 bu 20.3 44.5 12.1 7.5 9.8 4	62.4 1 57.0 60.2 1.2 1.0 1.3	bs Bulk	22 12 17.2 7.1 2.4 3.3 2

Seeding Rate: 1,000,000 live seeds/acre (approx. 1 bu/ac) Seeding Date: April 15th

Fertilizer Applied: 85 lbs/ac 29-28-0

45 bu/ac (soil residual nutrients + fertilizer applied) Yield Goal:

1 1/2 pint/ac Bronate Herbicide Applied:

18 gal per acre spray volume, 5 MPH

Harvest Date: July 31st

All data adjusted to 12% grain moisture Notes:

1987 Dickinson Hard Red Spring Wheat Variety Trial

Variety	Bu/A Avg.	Test Wt lbs.	Heading Date	Height in.
Success *	43.7	63.5	22-Jun	2.3
Norseman *	40.7	61.5	17-Jun	21
Tammy	38.5	61.5	21-Jun	23
Katepwa	37.7	60.5	17-Jun	28
Columbus	37.4	63.0	21-Jun	31
ND 626	36.9	64.5	15-Jun	25
ND 640	36.9	62.5	18-Jun	26
Pioneer 2369 *	35.5	62.0	18-Jun	20
Waldron	35.5	61.0	18-Jun	26
Coteau	35.2	60.5	22-Jun	28
Lew	35.2	62.5	20-Jun	28
Alex	34.7	61.5	20-Jun	26
Leo 747 *	34.7	60.5	14-Jun	22
ND 636	33.3	61.0	16-Jun	23
ND 622	33.3	63.5	26-Jun	23
ND 639	33.0	64.5	20-Jun	2 5
Len *	32.7	62.5	20-Jun	24
Lancer	32.7	61.0	18-Jun	27
ND 631	31.9	62.0	20-Jun	2 5
Guard *	31.9	63.0	15-Jun	2 4
Butte 86	31.1	62.5	16-Jun	24
Stoa	30.8	61.0	20-Jun	26
Marshall *	30.5	61.5	20-Jun	22
Cutless *	30.1	62.5	17-Jun	25
Nordic *	29.7	63.0	21-Jun	23
Shield	29.4	61.0	13-Jun	22
Norak *	28.9	64.0	18-Jun	21
ND 606	28.3	61.0	18-Jun	25
Celtic *	27.2	63.5	18-Jun	26
Leif *	27.0	62.0	20-Jun	23
Telemark *	27.0	61.0	20-Jun	2 1
ND 632	26.7	62.5	20-Jun	22
Wheaton *	25.9	61.5	21-Jun	2 1
ND 618	25.9	63.0	18-Jun	23
Rambo	25.0	62.5	20-Jun	24
Kenyon	22.6	60.5	18-Jun	28
SD 2956	22.0	62.5	17-Jun	23

* semidwarf

Seeding Rate: 1,000,000 live seed/acre, (approx. 1 Bu/A)
Seeding Date: April 23 Harvest Date: August 7
Fertilizer applied: 50 lbs/A 18-46-0
Herbicide Applied: Hoelon-Buctril tank mix

L.S.D. 5% = 4.0 Bu/A C.V. = 12.6 %

1987 HETTINGER OFF-STATION HARD RED SPRING WHEAT VARIETY TRIALS

REGENT SCRANTON

Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Grain Protein %	Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight lbs/bu	Grain Protein %
Nordic	57.8	62.2	13.2	Success	40.3	58.1	15.0
Len	57.4	61.4	15.2	Leif	36.5	59.7	15.1
Norseman	57.4	59.9	14,7	Cutless	35.8	59.6	16.4
Stoa	55.3	60.8	15.0	Norseman	35.8	58.8	15.5
Success	55.2	59.4	14.5	Nordic	35.5	61.8	13.9
Guard	55.0	60.7	14.6	2369	32.5	60.1	15.4
Marshall	54.6	60.6	14.2	Len	32.1	59.3	15.7
Leif	53.2	60.9	13.3	Coteau	31.8	58.7	16.4
Leo 747	52.8	60.9	15.2	Stoa	31.7	60.2	15.8
Cutless	51.1	60.0	16.4	Guard	30.7	60.1	15.4
Norak	48.6	61.2	14.8	Marshall	30.6	58.7	14.9
Coteau	47.0	59.5	16.3	Alex	29.3	57.6	16.3
Alex	46.8	60.4	15.8	Norak	27.9	59.7	16.3
Butte 86	45.8	61.2	16.0	Butte 86	26.3	60.7	16.3
2369	44.6	60.2	15.4	Leo 747	20.4	60.0	15,5
Highest	57.8 bu	62.2 1	bs	Highest	40.3 bu	61.8 1	bs
Lowest	44.6	59.4		Lowest	20.4	57.6	
Exp Mean	52.2	60.0		Exp Mean	31.8	59.5	
C.V. %	14.1	1.2		C.V. %	16.8	2.6	
LSD 5%	NS	1.1		LSD 5%	7.6	2.2	
LSD 1%	NS	1.4		LSD 1%	10.2	NS	
# of Reps	4	4	Bulk	# of Reps	4	4	Bulk

Seeding Rate: 1,000,000 live seeds per acre, (approx. 1 bu/ac)

Seeding Date: April 20th (Scranton), April 21st (Regent) Fertilizer Applied: 85 lbs/ac 29-28-0 (Both sites)

45 bu/ac (soil residual nutrients + fertilizer applied) Yield Goal:

Herbicide Applied: 1 1/2 pint/ac Bronate (Both sites)

sprayed on May 27th, 18 gal. per acre spray volume, 5 MPH

August 3rd (Regent), August 4th (Scranton) All data adjusted to 12% grain moisture Harvest Date: Notes:

1987 HETTINGER OFF-STATION HARD RED SPRING WHEAT VARIETY TRIALS

FLASHER THUNDERHAWK

Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight lbs/bu	Grain Protein %	Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight lbs/bu	Grain Protein %
Nordic Stoa Leif Norseman Butte 86 Cutless Len Norak Marshall 2369 Success Leo 747 Guard Coteau Alex	34.7 29.6 28.8 27.3 26.0 25.9 25.2 24.0 22.9 21.9 21.1 20.9 20.4	61.0 59.6 60.0 58.4 60.0 58.2 59.7 59.8 59.4 59.6 57.9 59.6 59.9 58.6 59.0	14.0 15.7 15.6 16.2 15.7 15.8 16.4 15.2 15.2 15.8 15.8 15.8 15.2 15.3 16.5	Trial los	st due to h	ai.l	
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Seeding Rate: 1,000,000 live seeds per acre, (approx. 1 bu/ac) Seeding Date: April 22nd (Flasher) April 21st (Thunderhawk)

Fertilizer Applied: 200 lbs/ac 29-28-0 (Both sites)

Yield Goal: 45 bu/ac (soil residual nutrients + fertilizer applied)

Herbicide Applied: 1 1/2 pint/ac Buctril + 2 pint/ac Hoelon (Both sites)

sprayed on May 28th, 18 gal. per acre spray volume, 5 MPH

Harvest Date: August 5th (Flasher)

Notes: All data adjusted to 12% grain moisture

1987 Dickinson Off-station Hard Red Spring Wheat Variety Trials

Telemark 27.0 18.2 Butte 86 31.1 9.6 Celtic 27.2 17.9 Cutless * 30.1 12.7 Guard * 27.0 10.5 Leif * 32.7 18.4 Leo 747 * 34.7 19.5 Marshall * 28.9 20.6 Norak * 28.9 20.6	Bushels per 19.8 17.3 16.5 18.2 16.8 23.1 21.7	Acre 32.2 25.9 26.7 20.3 27.2 33.0	31.4 24.2 31.6 28.6 22.3	34.4 33.9 34.4 34.4	27.1 22.1 24.5
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1987 Dickinson Off-station Hard Red Spring Wheat Variety Trials

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1987 Dickinson Off-Station Hard Red Spring Wheat

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Celtic	14.7	14.2	14.6	15.1	14.9	14.8	14.7
Cutlass	15.7	14.6	15.2	16.8	16.3	15.9	15.8
Guard	13.9	13.5	13.2	15.6	14.0	13.9	14.0
Leif	14.5	14.3	13.7	15.6	15.5	14.8	14.7
Len	15.4	14.8	14.7	16.1	15.0	14.9	15.2
Leo 747	15.3	14.1	14.3	16.0	15.2	15.4	15.1
Marshall	14.2	13.8	13.6	14.5	14.3	13.9	14.1
Norak	14.3	14.2	13.9	15.2	14.4	14.5	14.4
Nordic	14.0	13.4	13.1	13.7	13.4	13.0	13.4
2369	15.3	14.2	14.3	15.8	15.3	14.3	14.9
Stoa	14.5	13.4	13.8	15.0	14.7	13.8	14.2
Success	14.2	14.5	13.7	15.2	14.9	13.6	14.4
Telemark	15.5	14.4	14.8	15.0	15.0	14.9	14.9
Wheaton	14.9	13.4	13.6	14.8	14.7	13.9	14.2

1987 HETTINGER ON-STATION DURUM VARIETY TRIAL

Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Grain Protein %	Heading Date June
D8261 FA883-323 Lloyd D8309 Monroe D81154 Laker FA884-326 Vic D8269 D8263 D8311 D81151 D8291 D8191 Ward D8193 Medora D8172 D8302 D83103 D8304 D8380 Rugby D8374 D8370	43.9 43.6 43.5 42.9 41.9 41.5 41.4 41.2 41.1 40.7 40.5 39.8 39.7 39.6 39.4 39.3 39.1 38.6 38.0 37.4 37.0 33.5 32.9 31.2	60.1 61.5 60.4 60.7 60.1 60.6 60.6 59.5 61.1 60.4 60.6 61.1 59.9 59.1 60.3 61.1 60.7 60.9 60.2 60.4 58.9 60.4 60.9 61.3 60.6 58.4	16.9 17.1 16.6 17.0 18.2 18.2 17.0 13.5 16.5 16.6 16.4 17.0 18.1 16.8 18.0 18.5 18.0 18.8 17.9 17.1 14.6 17.5 14.3 18.1 15.0 15.2	20 17.5 20.5 17.5 14 20.5 20 16 19 20 19 16 20.5 19.5 20 18.5 20 19 20 18.5 20 19 20 19 20 19 20 19 20 19 20 19 20 19 20 19 20 19 20 19 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20
Highest Lowest Exp Mean C.V.% LSD 5% LSD 1% # of Reps	43.9 bu 31.2 39.4 13.4 NS NS	61.5 1 58.4 60.4 1.1 0.9 1.2	bs Bulk	21 14 19.1 4.5 1.8 2.4 2

Seeding Rate: 1,000,000 live seeds/acre, (approx. 1 bu/ac)

Seeding Date: April 15th

Fertilizer Applied: 85 1bs/ac 29-28-0

Yield Goal: 45 bu/ac (soil residual nutrients + fertilizer applied)

Herbicide Applied: 1 1/2 pint/ac Bronate

18 gal per acre spray volume, 5 MPH

Harvest Date:

Notes: All data adjusted to 12% grain moisture

July 31st

1987 Dickinson Durum Variety Trial

Variety	Bu/A Avg.	Test Wt lbs.	Heading Date	Height in.
Stockholm *	44.8	61.5	21-Jun	2 7
D 8261 *	44.0	61.5	22-Jun	26
Lloyd *	43.2	61.0	22-Jun	24
Laker *	42.1	61.5	22-Jun	27
D 8291 *	42.1	60.5	22-Jun	26
FA883-323	41.8	61.5	21-Jun	32
Medora	41.0	62.0	21-Jun	32
D 8172	41.0	61.5	21-Jun	31
D 8269 *	41.0	61.0	22-Jun	2 7
Rugby	40.7	62.5	21-Jun	31
D 81151	40.7	59.5	23-Jun	29
D 8191	39.3	60.5	21-Jun	27
D 83103 *	38.8	61.0	20-Jun	23
D 81154	38.8	60.5	22-Jun	29
D 8370 *	38.5	59.5	23-Jun	22
Fjord	38.0	61.5	20-Jun	29
D 8304	36.6	60.5	21-Jun	24
D 8263 *	36.0	61.0	22-Jun	23
Ward	36.0	61.5	21-Jun	28
D 8193	35.8	61.0	22-Jun	29
Monroe	34.4	62.5	17-Jun	27
Vic	32.7	61.0	20-Jun	30
D 8302	31.4	59.0	21-Jun	23
D 8311	31.1	61.0	21-Jun	22
D 8380 *	30.5	61.0	24-Jun	23
FA884-326 *	30.5	60.0	18-Jun	26
D 8309	30.0	60.5	18-Jun	23
D 8374 *	29.4	57.5	24-Jun	23

* semidwarf

Seeding Rate: 1,000,000 live seed/acre, (approx. 1 Bu/A)
Seeding Date: April 23 Harvest Date: August 5
Fertilizer Applied: 50 lbs/A 18-46-0
Herbicide Applied: Hoelon-Buctril tank mix

L.S.D. 5% = 4.7 Bu/A C.V. = 12.4 %

1987 HETTINGER OFF-STATION DURUM VARIETY TRIALS

REGENT

SCRANTON

Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight lbs/bu	Grain Protein %	Variety _	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Grain Protein %
Lloyd	58.1	61.4	14.0	Ward	36.5	60.8	15.5
Ward	57.2	61.7	15.0	Laker	34.9	60.9	14.6
Monroe	56.5	61.2	14.8	Lloyd	33.9	60.5	15.2
Vic	53.8	61.6	15.4	Vic	33.5	60.4	15.7
Laker	53.1	61.9	14.3	Monroe	25.2	60.1	15.5
Highest	58.1 bu	61.9 1	os	Highest	36.5 bu	60.9 11	os
Lowest	53.1	61.2		Lowest	25.2	60.1	
Exp Mean	55.8	61.5		Exp Mean	32.8	60.5	
C.V. %	5.7	0.4		C.V. %	9.8	0.5	
LSD 5%	NS	0.3		LSD 5%	4.9	0.5	
LSD 1%	NS	0.5		LSD 1%	6.9	NS	
# of Reps		4	Bulk	# of Reps	4	4	Bulk

FLASHER

THUNDERHAWK

Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Grain Protein %	Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Grain Protein %
Lloyd	33.2	59.8	14.6	Trial los	st due to h	ail	
Ward	29.9	59.7 59.7	15.7 15.0				
Laker	27.7						
Monroe	26.5	59.7	14.9				
Vic	25.1	59.1	15.6				
Highest	33.2 bu	59.8 11)s	Highest			
Lowest	25.1	59.1		Lowest			
Exp Mean	28.5	59.6		Exp Mean			
C.V. %	5.4	0.3		c.v. %			
LSD 5%	2.4	0.3		LSD 5%			
LSD 1%	3.3	0.4		LSD 1%			
# of Reps		4	Bulk	# of Rep	S		

All data adjusted to 12% grain moisture

1987 Dickinson Off-station Durum Variety Trials

Variety	Dickinson	Beach	Beulah	Glen U111n	Hannover	Manning	Average 6 Sites
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Ward	61.5	62.0	62.5	2.	2.	4.	2
* semi-dwarf Seeding Date Harvest Date L.S.D. 5%: C.V. (%): Fertilizer A Herbicide Ap	: Apr. 23 : Aug. 5 4.7 12.4 .pplied: acc .plied: Hoel	Apr. 27 Aug. 3 1.8 6.4 ording to	Apr. 30 Aug.13 2.0 11.3 soil test 1 tank mix	Apr. 29 Aug. 12 3.5 10.5 at each s	Apr. 28 Aug.11 1.9 5.5 ite.	May 1 Aug. 10 3.3 6.9	Б.

1987 HETTINGER ON-STATION WINTER WHEAT AND RYE VARIETY TRIALS

WINTER WHEAT

WINTER RYE

Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu	% Grain Protein	Heading Date	Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu
Seward	44.8	56.4	13.3	6–3	Chaupon II	68.4	52.9
ND8286	41.6	58.0	14.2	5–31	Chaupon I	66.9	53.3
ND8215	40.7	56.0	13.1	5-28	Prima	57.3	55.0
ND8382	38.9	57.1	13.5	5-31	Cougar	57.0	55.0
Bighorn	38.9	57.5	14.2	5-30	Fredrick	54.1	54.6
Rose	37.7	58.9	15.2	5-31	Chaupon	30.7	51.8
ND8212	36.8	56.4	13.3	6-2	Musketeer	23.6	53.4
Agassiz	36.2	57.5	14.9	5-29	Puma	15.8	53.3
ND8407	35.3	57.6	14.0	5-30			
Siouxland	32.5	57.1	13.9	5-23			
Winoka	29.9	59.0	14.2	5-26			
Colt	29.3	57.0	14.2	5-27			
Roughrider	29.2	57.6	15.5	6-2			
Thunderbin	rd 26.7	58.5	15.0	5-24			
Norstar	25.4	57.5	15.3	6-4			
Highest	44.8 bu	59.0 lbs	15.5 %	6-4	Highest	68.4 bu	
Lowest	25.4	56.0	13.1	5-23	Lowest	15.8	51.8
Exp Mean	34.9	57.5			Exp Mean	46.7	53.7
C.V. %	17.6	1.3			C.V. %	16.4	1.3
LSD 5%	8.8	1.1			LSD 5%	11.3	1.0
LSD 1%	11.8	1.4		_	LSD 1%	15.4	1.4
# of Reps	4	4	Bu1k	1	# of Reps	4	4

Seeding Rate: 60 lb/ac Winter Wheat (Pure Live Seed) 56 lb/ac Winter Rye (Pure Live Seed)

Seeding Date: September 10, 1986

Fertilizer Applied: None at planting

Applied 50 lb/ac 28-29-0 as spring top dress.

Yield Goal:

60 bu/ac (soil residual nutrients + fertilizer applied)

Herbicide Applied: 2 pint/ac Bronate applied April 28th

18 gal per acre spray volume, 5 MPH

Harvest Date:

July 24th

Notes:

Lower than expected yields due in part to poor stand establishment in fall 1986. Extreme soil crusting

prior to emergence.

All data adjusted to 12% grain moisture

1987 HETTINGER OFF-STATION HARD RED WINTER WHEAT VARIETY TRIALS

REGENT

SCRANTON

Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight lbs/bu	Grain Protein %	Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Grain Protein %
Agassiz	62.7	60.5	13.8	Norstar	37.4	59.9	15.1
Norstar	61.9	60.7	13.2	Agassiz	36.5	60.3	15.3
Bighorn	59.6	59.8	13.8	Winoka	36.4	60.9	15.1
Colt	55.5	60.4	13.7	Siouxland	33.2	58.5	15.1
Winoka	53.8	60.9	13.2	Bighorn	32.8	58.9	15.6
Roughrider	43.0	59.8	14.6	Roughrider	31.0	60.7	15.9
Thunderbir		61.1	14.4	Colt	29.8	59.1	16.2
Siouxland	38.3	60.2	14.1	Thunderbir	d 25.1	59.9	15.3
Highest	62.7 bu	61.1 1	os	Highest	37.4 bu	60.9 1	bs
Lowest	38.3	59.8		Lowest	25.1	58.5	
Exp Mean	52.0	60.4		Exp Mean	32.8	59.8	
C.V. %	7.6	0.5		c.v. %	14.3	0.8	
LSD 5%	9.3	0.7		LSD 5%	6.9	0.7	
LSD 1%	13.8	NS		LSD 1%	NS	0.9	
# of Reps	2	2	Bu1k	# of Reps	4	4	Bulk

	THUNDE	CRHAWK			FLAS	SHER	
Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Grain Protein %	Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Grain Protein %
Lost due	to hail			Poor fall	l stand est	ablishmen	t

Seeding Rate: 1,000,000 live seeds/ac (approx. 1 bu/ac)

Seeding Date: September 11th, 1986

Fertilizer Applied: Applied 85 lb/ac 29-28-0 as spring top dress

Yield Goal: 60 bu/ac (soil residual nutrients + fertilizer applied)

Herbicide Applied: 1 1/2 pint/ac Bronate on May 27th

Harvest Date: July 27th

Notes: All data adjusted to 12% grain moisture

Flasher was very wet during planting and spring stands

were poor. Trial abandoned.

1987 Dickinson Hard Red Winter Wheat Variety Trial

Variety	Bu/A Avg.	Test Wt 1bs.	Heading Date	Height in.
Seward	24.4	58.5	03-Jun	35
Winoka	24.2	60.0	31-May	34
ND 8215	23.1	58.0	01-Jun	35
ND 8212	22.8	57.5	01-Jun	34
Roughrider	20.8	58.5	31-May	37
Agassiz	17.3	59.5	02-Jun	35
Bighorn	15.0	58.5	31-May	26
Colt	14.8	58.0	30-May	27
Siouxland	11.8	58.0	29-May	30

Seeding Rate: 50 lbs/A

Seeding Date: September 5 Harvest Date: July 16

Fertilizer applied: 50 lbs/A 18-46-0 Herbicide Applied: Hoelon-Buctril tank mix

L.S.D. 5% = 4.8 Bu/A C.V. = 24.0 %

1987 Beach Hard Red Winter Wheat Variety Trial

Variety	Bu/A Avg.	Test Wt lbs.
Siouxland	43.7	58.5
Roughrider	38.1	58.5
Bighorn	37.8	57.5
Agassiz	36.0	59.0
Winter Triticale	37.4	50.5

Seeding Rate: 50 lbs/A Seeding Date: September 23 Harvest Date: July 20

Fertilizer applied: 50 lbs/A 18-46-0

Herbicide Applied: Hoelon-Buctril tank mix

L.S.D. 5% = 3.5 Bu/A C.V. = 8.2 %

1987 Dickinson Winter Rye Variety Trial

Variety	Bu/A Avg.	Test Wt 1bs.	Heading Date	Height in.
Chaupon II	53.9	53.5	16-May	40
Chaupon I	52.7	53.5	16-May	38
Prima	44.5	54.0	17-May	4 5
Musketeer	37.6	54.0	17-May	46
Frederick	35.1	54.0	16-May	47
Puma	33.9	54.0	19-May	45

Seeding Rate: 60 lbs/A

Seeding Date: September 5 Harvest Date: July 17

Fertilizer applied: 50 lbs/A 18-46-0 Herbicide Applied: Hoelon-Buctril tank mix

L.S.D. 5% = 3.6 Bu/A C.V. = 7.8 %

1987 Dickinson Special Small Grains Trial

Variety	Bu/A Avg.	Test Wt lbs.	Heading Date
Bowman Barley	35.4	46.5	17-Jun
Otana Oats	34.3	39.5	23-Jun
Speltz *	23.9	38.0	29-Jun
Gazelle Spring Rye	23.9	51.5	17-Jun
Kramer Triticale *	13.8	44.5	23-Jun

Seeding Date: April 27 Harvest Date: August 14

Fertilizer: 50 lbs/A 18-46-0

L.S.D. 5% = 2.2 Bu/A C.V. = 7.7 %

* yields based on 38 and 48 lbs/bu, respectively

1987 HETTINGER ON-STATION BARLEY VARIETY TRIAL

Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Grain Protein %	Heading Date June
Bowman ND8671 Hazen Azure ND7691 Morex Lewis Hector ND8376 ND7309 Gallatin ND8377 B1601 Robust Ellice	89.3 89.2 88.1 87.4 86.5 84.8 84.2 83.3 82.4 79.7 79.5 79.2 76.0 74.1 68.8	52.4 53.7 48.8 49.3 51.9 50.3 52.9 52.2 48.4 49.1 52.4 48.5 46.6 50.0 51.6	14.6 15.2 15.1 15.3 15.7 14.6 16.5 15.5 15.8 13.8 17.0 16.3 14.9 15.3 17.6	15 19.5 17.5 17.5 21 17.5 21.5 20 19.5 20 19 19
Highest Lowest Exp Mean C.V.% LSD 5% LSD 1% # of Reps	89.3 bu 68.8 82.2 9.3 10.9 NS	53.7 1 46.6 50.5 1.9 1.3 1.8	bs Bulk	21.5 15 19.0 3.6 1.5 2.1

Seeding Rate: 750,000 live seeds/acre (approx. 1.3 bu/ac) Seeding Date: April 15th

Fertilizer Applied: 85 lbs/ac 29-28-0

65 bu/ac (soil residual nutrients + fertilizer applied) Yield Goal:

1 1/2 pint/ac Bronate Herbicide Applied:

18 gal per acre spray volume, 5 MPH

July 31st Harvest Date:

All data adjusted to 12% grain moisture Notes:

1987 HETTINGER OFF-STATION BARLEY VARIETY TRIALS

REGENT

SCRANTON

Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Grain Protein %	Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Grain Protein %
Hector	83.8	54.1	13.3	Hector	69.7	54.0	13.8
Gallatin	80.2	53.9	13.4	Gallatin	64.7	53.4	14.3
Azure	78.1	50.9	12.5	Bowman	63.7	53.4	14.3
Hazen	76.9	51.1	12.7	Azure	58.5	50.4	13.2
Bowman	75.9	53.8	13.7	Hazen	57.2	50.6	14.2
Morex	72.6	51.4	12.3	Morex	54.1	51.8	14.0
Highest	83.8 bu	54.1 1	bs	Highest	69.7 bu	54.0 1	bs
Lowest	72.6	50.9		Lowest	54.1	50.4	
Exp Mean	77.9	52.5		Exp Mean	61.3	52.3	
C.V. %	7.1	0.8		C.V. %	5.6	0.8	
LSD 5%	NS	0.6		LSD 5%	5.2	0.7	
LSD 1%	NS	0.9		LSD 1%	7.2	0.9	
# of Reps		4	Bulk	# of Reps	4	4	Bulk

FLASHER

THUNDERHAWK

Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Grain Protein %	Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight lbs/bu	Grain Protein %
Hector Gallatin Hazen Bowman Morex Azure	58.9 56.3 49.4 45.0 44.9 44.5	52.8 52.8 47.9 51.7 49.7 48.4	13.8 14.6 13.6 13.5 13.6 12.8	Trial los	st due to h	ai.1	
Highest Lowest Exp Mean C.V. % LSD 5% LSD 1% # of Reps	58.9 bu 44.5 49.6 9.6 7.2 9.9	52.8 19 48.4 50.8 0.8 0.6 0.8 4	bs Bulk	Highest Lowest Exp Mean C.V. % LSD 5% LSD 1% # of Rep			

All data adjusted to 12% grain protein

1987 Dickinson Barley Variety Trial

Variety	Bu/A	Test Wt	Heading	Height
· uzzucy	Avg.	lbs.	Date	in.
Gallatin	72.5	49.5	22-Jun	2 3
Hector	70.5	50.0	23-Jun	23
Ellice	64.6	47.0	22-Jun	24
Lewis	63.3	51.0	25-Jun	23
ND 8671	62.9	47.5	23-Jun	23
Azure *	61.9	44.5	19-Jun	25
Robust *	61.5	47.5	22-Jun	23
Hazen *	61.2	46.5	22-Jun	23
ND 8376 *	60.5	45.5	23-Jun	21
ND 7691	57.4	47.5	24-Jun	23
Morex *	56.4	48.0	18-Jun	22
Bowman	52.3	50.5	19-Jun	22
ND 8377 *	51.2	46.5	22-Jun	20
ND 7309 *	49.8	45.5	22-Jun	2 2
B 1601 *	47.8	45.5	19-Jun	24

^{* 6-}row variety

Seeding Rate: 1.3 Bu/A Seeding Date: April 23 Harvest Date: August 4

Fertilizer Applied: 50 lbs/A 18-46-0 Herbicide Applied: Hoelon-Buctril tank mix

L.S.D. 5% = 4.5 Bu/A C.V. = 7.4 %

1987 Dickinson Off-station Barley Variety Trials

Variety	Dickinson	Beach	Beulah	Glen Ullin	Hannover	Manning	Average 6 Sites
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1987 HETTINGER ON-STATION OAT VARIETY TRIAL

Variety	Bushels per Acre	3	Test Weight lbs/bu	F	Grain Protein %	n	Heading Date June
ND810104 Border Monida ND831122 Proat Kelsey ND820559 ND830646 Sandy Riel ND821742 Fidler ND820294 Dumont ND830185 Otana Porter ND830645 ND840413 Steele IAD623-15 ND841974 ND820603 ND820744 ND830775 Hytest NA082-1	130.5 119.8 119.3 116.1 112.6 110.7 107.8 106.4 106.2 105.3 104.6 102.2 101.1 101.0 100.3 99.0 98.7 98.4 98.1 97.3 94.1 91.2 90.3 88.4 85.5 84.2		35.5 34.9 34.7 35.6 34.9 36.2 35.0 37.2 35.1 34.7 34.4 36.3 35.0 37.2 36.4 36.3 35.4 36.3 35.4 36.3 35.4 36.3 35.4 36.2 36.2 36.2		16.7 15.7 15.1 14.5 13.9 16.0 16.1 16.5 14.4 15.7 14.4 15.6 16.2 16.4 15.5 14.3 15.5 14.3 15.6 16.4 15.7		15 20 19 16 22 15.5 18.5 19.5 18.5 17.5 19.5 18 19 19 18 17 15 21.5 18 17 21.5
Highest Lowest Exp Mean C.V.% LSD 5% LSD 1% # of Reps	130.5 h 84.2 102.5 16.6 NS NS	bu	40.2 32.3 35.9 1.9 0.9 1.2	lbs	Bulk		24 15 18.5 4.8 1.8 2.5

Seeding Rate: 750,000 live seeds/acre, (approx. 1.5 bu/ac)

Seeding Date: April 15th

Fertilizer Applied: 85 lbs/ac 29-28-0

Yield Goal: 80 bu/ac (soil residual nutrients + fertilizer applied)

Herbicide Applied: 1.5 pint/ac Bronate

18 gal per acre spray volume, 5 MPH

Harvest Date: July 24th

Notes: All data adjusted to 12% grain moisture

1987 HETTINGER OFF-STATION OAT VARIETY TRIALS

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SCRANTON

Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight lbs/bu	Grain Protein %	Variety	Bushels per Acre	Test Weight lbs/bu	Grain Protein %
Monida	136.5	37.3	12.8	Monida	72.9	37.3	14.6
Porter	117.3	38.0	14.0	Otana	70.7	38.1	14.3
Otana	113.7	38.9	12.1	Riel	61.1	36.9	13.4
ND810104	113.7	36.0	14.3	ND820603	60.1	36.9	15.2
Riel	106.0	38.3	13.7	Porter	37.2	59.8	14.2
ND820603	99.9	38.6	15.1	ND810104	58.8	34.6	15.6
Steele	99.1	36.4	14.2	Steele	56.4	35,2	15.8
Highest	136.5 bu	38.9 11	bs	Highest	72.9	38.1	
Lowest	99.1	36.0		Lowest	56.4	34.6	
Exp Mean	112.3	37.6		Exp Mean	62.8	36.6	
C.V. %	4.4	0.8		C.V. %	10.4	1.0	
LSD 5%	7.4	0.4		LSD 5%	9.7	0.5	
LSD 1%	10.1	0.6		LSD 1%	NS	0.7	
# of Reps	4	4	Bu1k	# of Reps	4	4	Bulk

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	Bushels per	Test Weight	Grain Protein		Bushels per	Test Weight	Grain Protein
Variety	Acre	lbs/bu	%	Variety	Acre	lbs/bu	%
Monida Steele ND810104 Porter ND820603 Otana	55.1 46.8 41.7 40.6 36.7 33.3	32.2 30.4 28.3 26.5 28.8 27.6	13.0 15.1 14.5 14.9 14.2 14.7	Trial lost due to hail			
Riel Highest Lowest Exp Mean C.V. % LSD 5% LSD 1% # of Reps	31.4 55.1 bu 31.4 40.8 12.1 7.3 10.0	30.4 32.2 11 26.5 29.2 3.7 1.6 2.2 4		Highest Lowest Exp Mean C.V. % LSD 5% LSD 1% # of Rep			

 $[\]overline{}$ All data adjusted to 12% grain moisture

1987 Dickinson Oats Variety Trial

Variety	Bu/A Avg.	Test Wt lbs.	Heading Date	Height in.
NA 0821-1	101.9	34.0	01-Ju1	2 4
ND 830646	89.7	35.5	22-Jun	28
Monida	86.8	36.5	23-Jun	28
Dumont	84.5	36.0	22-Jun	26
ND 840413	82.8	36.0	21-Jun	29
Porter	78.7	36.5	21-Jun	28
Border	78.2	36.0	24-Jun	23
Otana	77.0	39.5	22-Jun	28
ND 821742	76.4	37.5	22-Jun	26
ND 820294	76.4	33.5	19-Jun	26
ND 830775	75.8	38.0	23-Jun	30
ND 820744	75.8	36.5	20-Jun	27
ND 830185	74.1	38.0	20-Jun	29
Steele	73.5	36.5	20-Jun	29
ND 830645	72.9	36.5	20-Jun	29
ND 841974	69.5	37.5	20-Jun	26
Riel	67.7	37.5	19-Jun	27
ND 820559	66.6	36.5	19-Jun	28
ND 831122	66.6	36.0	19-Jun	24
Sandy	66.0	39.5	20-Jun	30
ND 820603	61.4	38.0	22-Jun	2 5
Proat	57.9	38.0	22-Jun	26
Hytest	55.0	41.0	19-Jun	2 7
ND 810104	50.4	34.0	18-Jun	2 4

Seeding Rate: 1.5 Bu/A Seeding Date: April 23 Harvest Date: August 6

Fertilizer Applied: 50 lbs/A 18-46-0 Herbicide Applied: Buctril

L.S.D. 5% = 6.9 Bu/A C.V. = 9.3 %

1987 Dickinson Off-station Oats Variety Trials

Variety	Dickinson	Beach	Beulah	Glen Ullin	Hannover	Manning	Average 6 Sites
		B	ushels per	Acre			
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Porter	78.7	43.4	37.3	•	67.7	66.4	58.7
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Porter	36.5	37.5	37.5	36.5	36.0	9	Ġ
Seeding Date: Harvest Date: L.S.D. 5%: C.V. (%): Fertilizer Ap Herbicide App	Apr. 2 Aug. 6. plied: H lied: H	Apr. 27 Aug. 3 6.3 11.8 cording to	Apr. 30 Aug. 13 4.6 11.0 soil test tank mix	Apr. 29 Aug. 12 8.2 12.9 at each s	Apr. 28 Aug. 11 2.8 4.0 ite.	May 1 Aug. 10 2.6 3.2	N O

HETTINGER GRAIN CORN HYBRID TRIAL -1987-

	Relative Maturity Days	Bushels Per Acre at 13.5% Moisture	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Percent Moisture @ Harvest
Interstate 353	85	91.2	58.9	18.2
AgriPro 270	85	82.2	59.6	20.2
Dahlgren DC-418	85	76.4	59.3	21.6
Dahlgren DC-408	80	75.6	58.4	17.3
Pioneer 3902	90	74.1	57.5	19.4
Dahlgren DC-405	80	64.7	59.1	18.7
Pioneer 3929	85	62.7	60.5	17.4
Top Farm sx78	77	62.0	57.6	17.8
Cargill 3537	95	60.8	55.0	24.8
Cargill 3477	95	56.4	53.2	28.0
Dahlgren DC-440	90	54.2	57.7	22.7
North. King PX915	1 88-92	53 . 7	55.5	22.4
Top Farm sx1181	78	53.3	60.4	20.7
Highest		91.2 bu	60.5 lbs	28.0 %
Lowest		53.3	53.2	17.3
Exp Mean		66.7	57.9	20.7
C.V. %		23.3	2.4	6.9
LSD 5%		22.3	2.0	3.1
LSD 1%		NS	2.7	4.4
# of Reps		4	4	2

 $[\]tilde{}$ Test weight at 12% moisture

Plant Population: 18,000 plants per acre

Seeding Date: May 15th

Row Spacing: 30"

Planting Site: Wheat stubble (recrop) Fertilizer Applied: 200 lbs/ac 29-28-0

Yield Goal: 80 bu/ac grain, 13 tons/ac silage

Herbicide Applied: 2 1/2 quarts/ac Bladex + 1 quart/ac Atrazine, Preplant

Harvest Date: October 13th

HETTINGER CORN HYBRID SILAGE TRIAL -1987--

Variety	Relative Maturity Days	Percent Moisture @ Harvest	Silage Tons/ac @ 70% Moisture
Interstate 353	85	59	13.3
Cargill 3537	95	67	12.1
Dahlgren DC-405	80	64	12.1
Cargill 3477	95	63	11.5
Dahlgren DC-418	85	63	11.5
Dahlgren DC-440	90	65	10.5
North. King PX91	151 88-92	71	8.8
AgriPro 27Ö	85	61	8.6
Dahlgren DC-408	80	66	8.5
Top Farm sxl181	78	65	7.9
Top Farm sx78	77	71	6.7
Highest		71 %	13.3 ton
Lowest		59	6.7
Exp Mean		65	10.1
C.V. %			15.8
LSD 5%			2.3
LSD 1%			3.1
# of Reps		Bulk	4

Plant Population: 18,000 plants per acre

Seeding Date:

May 15th 3011

Row Spacing:

Planting Site: Wheat stubble (recrop)

Fertilizer Applied: 200 lbs/ac 29-28-0

Yield Goal: Herbicide Applied: 80 bu/ac grain, 13 tons/ac silage 2 1/2 quarts/ac Bladex + 1 quart/ac Atrazine, Preplant

Harvest Date:

September 7th

REGENT GRAIN CORN HYBRID TRIAL -1987-

Variety	Relative Maturity Days	Bushels Per Acre at 13.5% Moisture	Test Weight 1bs/bu	Percent Moisture @ Harvest
Dahlgren DC-440	90	117.8	56.1	19.1
Top Farm sxl181	78	114.8	57.2	16.8
Top Farm sx78	77	112.7	56.7	15.1
Pioneer 3978	85	112.4	57.1	21.2
Interstate 373	89	107.5	54.9	20.7
Cargill 2787	90	106.7	53,0	21.2
Dahlgren DC-408	80	106.5	56.9	15.5
Dahlgren DC-418	85	104.8	58.8	18.1
Pioneer 3963	80	103.0	57.9	15.6
Cargill SX123	85	102.4	57.4	17.2
Interstate 353	85	98.2	58.3	17.6
King Grain K1124	80	97.6	56.6	15.7
King Grain K1132	85	92.0	61.8	17.6
Dahlgren DC-405	80	91.9	57.8	15.7
Highest		117.8 bu	61.8 lbs	21.2 %
Lowest		91.9	53.0	15.1
Exp Mean		104.9	57.2	17.6
C.V. %		8.96	1.44	6.94
LSD 5%		13.5	1.2	2.6
LSD 1%		18.1	1.6	3.7
# of Reps		4	4	2

Test weight at 12% moisture

Plant Population: 18,000 plants per acre

Seeding Date: May 12th Row Spacing: 30"

Planting Site: Fallow

Fertilizer Applied: 85 lbs/ac 29-28-0

Yield Goal: 80 bu/ac grain, 13 tons/ac silage

Herbicide Applied: 2 1/2 quarts/ac Bladex + 1 quart/ac Atrazine, Preplant

Harvest Date: October 14th

REGENT CORN HYBRID SILAGE TRIAL -1987-

Variety	Relative Maturity Days	Percent Moisture @ Harvest	Silage Tons/ac @ 70% Moisture
Top Farm sx78	77	55	17.5
Dahlgren DC-418	85	56	16.1
Interstate 373	89	59	15.6
Dahlgren DC-405	80	49	15.5
Top Farm sx1181	78	59	15.3
King Grain K1132	2 85	57	15.1
Cargill 2787	90	62	15.0
Dahlgren DC-440	90	62	14.9
Pioneer 3978	85	60	13.7
Pioneer 3963	80	60	13.7
Cargill SX123	85	59	13.6
King Grain Kll24	4 80	65	13.5
Dahlgren DC-408	80	63	11.9
Interstate 353	85	57	11.9
Highest		65 %	17.5 ton
Lowest		49	11.9
Exp Mean		63	14.5
C.V. %			15.1
LSD 5%			3.2
LSD 1%			NS
# of Reps		Bu1k	4

Plant Population: 18,000 plants per acre

Seeding Date: May 12th
Row Spacing: 30"
Planting Site: Fallow

Fertilizer Applied: 85 lbs/ac 29-28-0

Yield Goal: 80 bu/ac grain, 13 tons/ac silage

Herbicide Applied: 2 1/2 quarts/ac Bladex + 1 quart/ac Atrazine, Preplant

Harvest Date: September 8th

1987 Dickinson Corn Hybrid Trial: Grain

Hybrid	Bu/A Avg.		Percent moisture at harvest
Interstate IS-323	107.4 97.3	53.0 45.0	
Keltgen 2380 Dahlgren DC-440	95.4	47.0	23.8
Interstate IS-373 Top Fram TF SX-1181	93.0 92.0		
Dahlgren DC-408	91.6	54.5	
Nor-King PX-9151 King Agro K-1124	89.2 87.0		
Interstate IS-353	85.2 84.8		
Dahlgren DC-405 King Agro K-1132	84.3	56.0	17.1
Dahlgren DC-418 Keltgen KS-88	81.0 80.9		
Top Farm TFSX-87	79.7	54.5	18.1
Agripro 270 Cenex X-809	76.2 69.1		22.5 22.5
Cenex SX-123		54.0	22.8
Keltgen KF-115	24.3	40.0	10.0

Yield based on 12% moisture

Seeding Rate: 18,000 Seeds/ac. Seeding Date: May 11 Harvest Date: Sept. 21

Row Width: 36 inches

Harvest Population: 15,600 seeds/ac.

Herbicide Applied: Prowl L.S.D 5% = 11.3 C.V. = 13.6%

1987 Dickinson Corn Hybrid Trial: Silage

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Hybrid	Tons/A	Moisture
-	Avg.	Avg.
Agripro 270	11.2	71.4
Cenex 809	11.5	70.1
Cenex SX-123	11.9	72.7
Dahlgren DC-405	12.2	73.2
Dahlgren DC-408	12.0	72.8
Dahlgren DC-418	11.8	74.2
Dahlgren DC-440	17.2	70.6
Interstate IS-323	16.4	72.8
Interstate IS-353	12.3	72.0
Interstate IS-373	14.0	71.4
Keltgen 2380	17.0	74.2
Keltgen KF-115	17.4	79.7
Keltgen KS-88	15.4	72.0
King Agro K-1124	13.6	76.4
King Agro K-1132	13.5	74.6
Nor King PX-9151	13.5	74.8
Top Farm TFX-87	12.4	73.4
Top Farm TFSX-1181	12.8	70.7

Yields based on 70% moisture Seeding Rate: 18,000 seeds/ac.
Seeding Date: May 11 Harvest Date: August 31
Row Width: 36 inches

Harvest Population: 15,600 plants/ac.

Herbicide Applied: Prowl L.S.D. 5% = 1.6 C.V. = 11.7

HETTINGER OIL SUNFLOWER VARIETY TRIAL -1987-

Variety	Lbs/Acre at 10.0% Moisture	Test Weight 1bs/bu	% Oil	Oil Lbs/Ac	Harvest % Moisture
Cargill X409687 Cargill 208 Cargill 207 Cenex 7101 Cenex 8101 Cargill SF-100 Jacques Columbia II Conti Hysun 354 Stauffer S-1300 Seedtec 317 Conti Hysun 33 Interstate 7111 Cargill SF-103 Dahlgren DO-855 Agripro 2057 Seedtec 330 Pioneer 6440 Conti Hysun Sunbird II Cargill SF-102 Dahlgren DO-705 Agripro 5600 Stauffer EX8413 Cenex 6101 Stauffer S-1296 Jacques Challenger Interstate 3001 Seedtec 318	1713 1667 1488 1463 1437 1376 1349 1347 1328 1272 1208 1195 1137 1125 1077 1060 1055 1040 1035 976 967 951 866 776 734 704 676	28.7 30.0 29.3 29.0 27.8 30.4 28.9 30.1 30.8 27.7 28.9 27.5 29.4 28.7 27.4 28.3 28.0 29.6 29.1 29.6 30.1 29.6 30.1 29.6 30.1	-non	oil-	8.7 10.1 8.6 8.9 9.2 8.9 9.1 9.0 8.9 12.6 8.6 9.1 8.5 8.8 10.5 9.6 8.4 8.6 8.6 8.6 8.6 8.9
Highest Lowest Exp Mean C.V. % LSD 5% LSD 1% # of Reps	1713 lbs 676 1149 21.2 342 454	30.8 lbs 25.9 28.8 5.0 2.0 2.7	Bulk	Bulk	12.6 8.2 9.1 5.6 1.1 1.4 2

Plant Population: 18,000 plants per acre

Row Spacing: 30"

Herbicide Applied: 1.25 pint/ac Treflan +

2.50 pint/ac Eptam

Insecticide Applied: Furdan 15G l lb/ac inrow equivalent

dan 15G l lb/ac in- Harvest Date: October 7th

Seeding Date: May 15th Planting Site: Wheat stubble Fertilizer Applied: 200 lb/ac

29-28-0

 $[\]widetilde{}$ Test weight and % oil at 10% moisture

1987 Dickinson Sunflower Hybrid Trial

Hybrid	% Oil at 10.0% Moisture	Lbs/A Avg.	Test Wt.	NO DATE THAT THE THAT THAT THAT THE MAN AND THE THAT THE THE THE THE THE THE THE THE THE TH
Conti-Seeds Hysun 354 Interstate IS-3007 PAG SF-103 PAG SF-100 Cargill 208 Jacques Capri Cenex 6101 Dahlgren DO-705 Conti-Seeds Sunbird PAG SF-102	41.3 41.0 45.9 41.5 42.4 45.8 40.3 40.2 41.2 46.3 41.8 44.0 34.0 42.0 45.3 43.2 44.1	1806.7 1744.0 1597.1 1546.7 1536.0 1523.2 1501.9 1470.1 1414.7 1400.3 1378.2 1373.4 1372.5 1371.7 1357.3 1288.0 1261.1 1232.2 1210.9 1196.0 1153.9 1137.6	32.0 30.5 28.5 28.5 27.5 28.5 30.0 30.5 27.0 28.5 28.5 30.0 31.5 30.0 27.0 28.5 29.0 29.5 29.0	THE STATE OF THE S
Sunwheat	39.6	1076.6	26.5	

L.S.D.5% = 278.8C.V. = 20.2%

Yields based on 12% moisture

Harvest Population: 12,300 seeds /ac

Seeding Date: May 23 Harvest Date: September 21 L.S.D. at 5% = 278.8 C.V. = 20.2%

Oil adjusted @ 10% moisture.

HETTINGER-DICKINSON BUCKWHEAT TRIALS

	Hettin	iger	Dickinson		
Variety	Pounds/Acre	Test Wt.	Pounds/Acre	Test Wt.	
Manor	1106	41.7	1700	43.5	
Mancan	788	41.9	1785	44.0	
Windsor Royal	855	42.0	1870	43.8	
Common			2975	42.7	

HETTINGER-DICKINSON SAFFLOWER TRIALS

	He	ttinger		Dickinson		
Variety	Pounds/Acre	Test Wt.	% Oil	Pounds/Acre	Test Wt.	
S541	1546	38.7	43.2	1220	36.5	
S208	1474	37.6	44.0	1002	37.0	
Finch	1615	39.6	41.4	958	42.0	
Hartman	1186	36.0	39.5	1045	41.5	
S317	1448	36.5	40.6		_	
Girard	1676	38.8	42.1	******	•••	
Oker	1223	36.7	39.8	****		
A24	1812	38.3	40.7	_	_	

DICKINSON FLAX VARIETY TRIAL

Variety	Bu/Acre Avg.	Test Wt. lbs.
Clark	23.0	49.0
Culbert 79	22.0	49.5
Flor	18.0	49.5

Seeding Rate: 40 lbs/ac. Seeding Date: April 29 Harvest Date: October 6

L.s.d. 5% = 3.3C.v. = 18.7%

1987 HETTINGER ON-STATION DRY BEAN VARIETY TRIAL

Variety	Type	Pounds per Acre	Test Weight lbs/bu	3 Year Average 1bs/ac
Olathe Bill Z Pindak UI-114 Fiesta Nodak Othello Topaz	Pinto	1593 1378 1342 1294 1270 1270 1186 1030	55.4 54.0 56.5 56.9 57.0 56.7 56.2 52.4	1353 1203 1231 1205 1246
NX-041 C-20 Fleetwood Upland Hyden Seafarer	Navy Navy Navy Navy Navy	1402 1258 1246 1174 1090 1018	58.4 58.5 61.6 58.8 57.5 59.0	794 1051 1045
Highest Lowest Exp Mean C.V. % LSD 5% LSD 1% # of Reps		1593 lbs 1018 1253 13.8 249 334	61.6 1bs 52.4 57.1 1.3 1.1 1.4	

Seeding Rate: Navy beans (45 lbs/ac pure live seed)

Pinto beans (61 1bs/ac pure live seed)

Seeding Date: May 12th

Row Spacing: 30"

Planting Site: Fallow

Fertilizer Applied: 60 lbs/ac 29-28-0

Yield Goal: 1,800 lbs/ac

Herbicide Applied: 1 1/4 pint/ac Treflan

Harvest Date: September 7th

DICKINSON MISCELLANEOUS DRY BEAN & PEA TRIAL

Species & Variety	Pounds/Acre	Test Wt.
Hyden Navy Bean	1997	58.0
Nodak Pinto Bean	2178	57.0
Lentil	2042	57.0
White Lupin	1997	56.5
Garbanzo Bean	2858	56.0
Paloma Pea	2723	58.5

DICKINSON MILLET TRIAL

Variety	Tons/Acre @ 12% Moisture	Grain Yield Lbs/Acre	Test Wt.
White Proso	2.0	2465	56.5
Red Proso	1.7	2592	59.0
Siberian	1.6	2608	55.0
German Foxtail	1.9	795	49.5
Otana Oats	1.3	2560	36.0

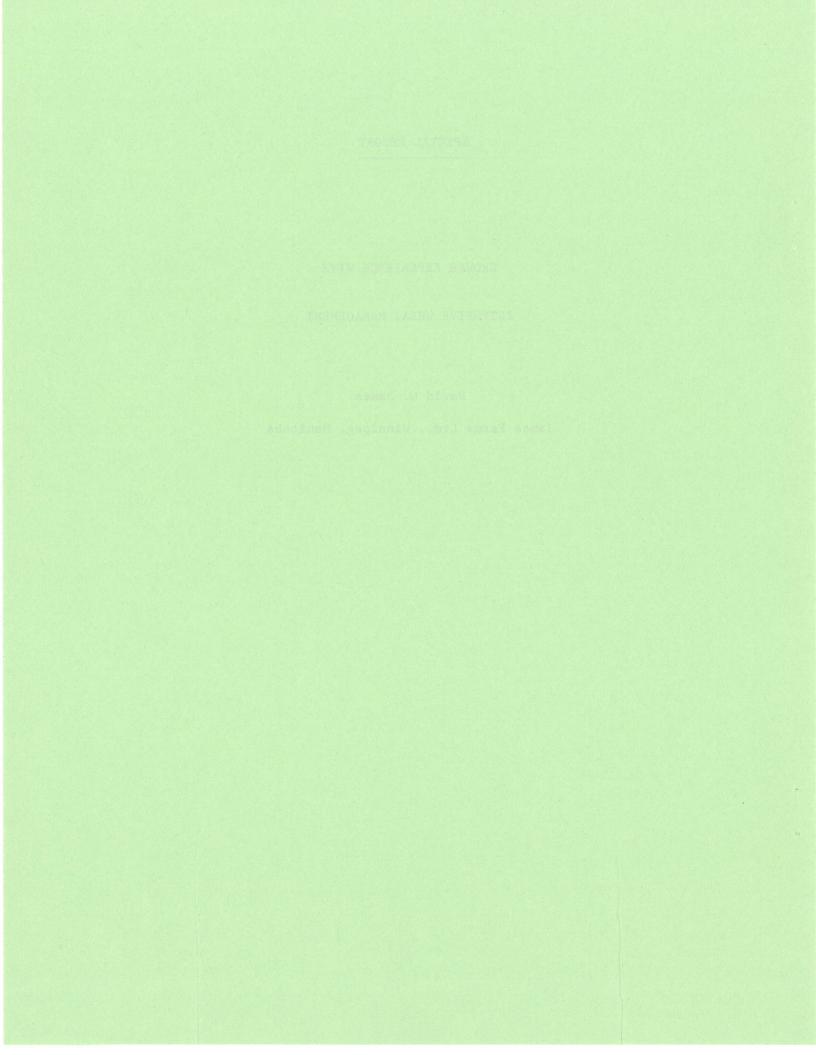
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INTRODUCTION

It is a distinct pleasure for me to prepare and present this paper on our farm's experience with intensive wheat management.

JAMES FARMS LTD.

James Farms Ltd. is located on the eastern outskirts of the city in Winnipeg in Manitoba, Canada. Settled in 1886, the farm has now evolved through the fourth generation. There are four members actively involved in the farming operation-myself, David James; father, Wilfred; mother, Dorothy; and partner Gordon Trenholm. The farm operation consists of a 5300 acre cropping enterprise and a 2000 bird laying operation. The area in which we are located has an average of 110 frost free days and an average growing-season precipitation of slightly more than 33 cm. The soil is a lacustrine fine clay (Red River Association) which has a very level topography and imperfect to poor internal drainage. Our continuous cropping program consists of a streamlined crop plan where at present only wheat, flax and canola are grown. These are treated as special crops and we strive to insure successful economic production of them through the use of sound crop management practices.

INTENSIVE WHEAT MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

No matter what the format in the communication (as outlined below) the information basically originates at the industry, government, and educational levels. We have found industry, and in particular our fertilizer dealer, of considerable assistance.

Whatever the source and whatever the impact in this new information, it is important to scrutinize it: first—to evaluate the validity of the information offered, and second—to decide whether the implementation of such information is possible, given our specific area and growing conditions. Although the following list is not all inclusive it does provide a sampling that is indicative of sources we have drawn upon:

Publications
Producer Meetings
Short Courses
Resource People
Crop Clubs

It should be noted that one key aspect of the entire information transfer takes place through the interaction of family members and their common drive that spans the years and the generations

HIGH YIELD WHEAT CLUB

I want to expand on one of the sources of information that has been important to our farm in the transfer and implementation in intensive wheat management practices. The Landmark Agro Ltd. High Yield Wheat Club was founded on March 9, 1982. It was formed by one of the leading fertilizer dealers in our area, Landmark Agro Ltd. located in Landmark, Manitoba, in conjunction with 10 of its farmer clients. The reasons behind forming the club were two fold: 1. to evaluate wheat yield potential at the commercial level under more intensive managment and, 2. to look at the economic viability in producing wheat at these higher yield levels. If it were proven that higher yield were more profitable, not only would farmers benefit, but so would Landmark Agro Ltd. through increased sales of its products to its farmer clients.

The High Yield Wheat Club has been successful in providing the members with a forum for the exchange of information from varied sources and also a framework to measure accurately the yield and economic results from the use of this information. It is this latter area of measurement that is, in so many cases, lacking. The feedback of these results is needed to know whether the extra effort and expense were warranted.

The initial membership was 10 and $n_{\rm OW}$ stands at 13. A key success factor has been the club's small membership size. This allows indepth study of each member's activities and detailed reporting that would not be possible with a larger membership.

We invite producers ideas and innovativeness with respect to crop management practices. This gives us the opportunity to evaluate all presented possibilities.

The normal business of running the club is carried out at 3 or 4 breakfast meetings during the season. A field (minimum size of 40 acres) is chosen by each member of the club in the fall and it is then soil tested. Any pertinent information, with respect to that field, is recorded by the member in a grower report booklet. During the growing season leaf tissue analysis is carried out on each member's field at two different growth stages. This analysis may reveal areas of potential improvement within the fertility program carried out by the members.

The members spend a summer day touring the club fields where there is an opportunity to question the grower and examine first hand his particular field. A finale of the tour is a barbecue at one of the member's farms.

At harvest time, final yields are determined by processing square meter samples. With the yields then determined and the grower report booklets completed and handed in, a grower summary report is prepared and distributed to all members. This summary contains all pertinent input data and resulting yield and economic information on each grower's field. In November we conclude the season with a banquet. This banquet is highlighted by the presentation of club achievement awards and an afterdinner speaker. The club awards presented are: Highest Yield; Most Profitable Yield; Highest Protein; Heaviest Bushel Weight.

The following tables reveal some of the club's achievements over the past five years.

TABLE 1
1985 INDIVIDUAL MEMBER RESULTS

VARIETY	YIELD (BUS/ACRE)	PROTEIN
Marshall	96.8	12.5
Marshall	80.5	13.2
Marshall	80.5	13.1
Neepawa	77.1	14.5
Marshall	71.3	10.8
Marshall	70.5	13.2
Marshall	69.4	14.0
Marshall	69.4	14.6
Marshall	67.5	13.3
HY320	67.5	12.9
Marshall	67.1	14.7
Oslo	62.0	14.1
Katepwa	59.9	14.0
Marsĥall	58.9	14.7

TABLE 2

1986 INDIVIDUAL MEMBER RESULTS

VARIETY	YIELD (BUS/ACRE)	PROTEIN 9
Marshall	68.7	11.9
Marshall	64.3	12.7
Marshall	63.6	12.7
Marshall	63.7	13.5
Marshall	62.3	13.3
Marshall	61.7	12.3
Wheaton	59.3	13.0
Marshall	58.6	14.0
HY320	58.0	12.5
Wheaton	56.4	13.2
Wheaton	56.2	13.2
Neepawa	46.3	13.9
Katepwa	40.5	14.3
Katepwa	39.1	13.6
Neepawa	37.6	14.9

TABLE 3

COMPARATIVE AVERAGE YIELDS Local Crop District vs. Wheat Club in Bushels per Acre

YEAR	CROP DISTRICT NO. 9 (AVERAGE)	WHEAT CLUB (AVERAGE
1982	35.9	55.1
1983	27.5	40.2
1984	33.8	53.8
1985	41.8	71.2
1986	35.0*	54.6

^{*} Estimate

TABLE 4
ECONOMIC RETURNS

	HIGHEST YIELDS (Bushel/Acre)	PRODUCTION COSTS \$/Bushel	NET PROFIT \$/Acre
1982	67.4*	2.73	65.64
1983	48.2	3.83	20.14
1984	75.5*	2.22	146.05
1985	96.8*	2.00	145.37
1986	68.7	3.10	(34.70)

^{*}Also most profitable yield

APPLICATION OF INTENSIVE WHEAT MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

I would now like to turn to the practical application in intensive wheat management information on our farm.

We pay close attention to all our crop production factors and put together a well-balanced, integrated crop program. We are cognizant of the interaction among the different among the different crop production factors and also of how these interactions change as crop yield goals are increased.

CROP PRODUCTION FACTORS

Moisture Management

We are fortunate to be located in an area where adequate moisture is usually received. This allows us to target for and achieve excellent wheat yields and, in fact, more often than not, excess moisture can be one of our major problems.

Seedbed Preparation

We are carrying out a minimum tillage program on our farm. The fields are deep tilled once in the fall, after harvest. Our crops are then directly discer seeded into these fields in the spring.

Varietal Choice

We are now targeting for wheat yields in 75 to 80 bushels per acre. The selection, then, of a variety which has excellent yield potential as well as disease resistance and matuity characteristics forms the foundation for our high yield program. This past growing season we planted 2 varieties of American semi-dwarf spring wheat. As well as having the characteristics mentioned above they were also chosen because of their excellent resistance to lodging.

Seed Quality

We are cleaning and selecting our seed more rigorously with respect to plumpness and uniformity of kernel size.

Seeding Considerations

We are paying closer attention to the importance of early seeding when striving to produce higher yields. In the past, our highest yielding wheat crops have been those that have been sown in April. Also more attention is going to be focused on our seeding rates in 1987 (not in bushels/acre but in seeds/sq. metre) and we would like to determine what seeding rates will be required to more consistently obtain our yield goals.

Through shallower fall tillage and careful seeding equipment setting we have improved the uniformity of seed placement resulting in improved crop emergence.

Fertility Program

Our fertility program is an important part of our crop production plan. When deciding on the type of fertility program we are going to implement, we look at our yield goals; take into account our past experiences; and, most importantly, make use of our extensive soil testing program. This soil testing forms the foundation in our fertility program. We have been soil testing on our farm since 1967 and in the last 8 years virtually every field on our farm is soil sampled every year. These samples are then sent to a private lab for analysis. Our starter nitrogen and all of our phosphate requirements are applied through the discers when

seeding. The remainder of the required nitrogen (and possibly other nutrients) is then floater applied the following day and harrowed in. This system in fertilizer application has, to date, worked very effectively for us. Other practices under evaluation this season are the addition of broadcast applied potassium chloride fertilizer to our regular fertility program and, on a limited wheat acreage, split applications of nitrogen. Leaf tissue analysis is also being conducted on a number of our fields.

We are attempting to understand the interaction of plant nutrients in a high yield crop production program.

Weed Control

We carry out a pre-emergence grassy weed control program on our wheat crop. Avadex and Treflan are mixed in with the liquid nitrogen that is being floater applied. Early elimination of grassy weed competition is essential and I believe this preventative approach has worked very effectively for us. An effective broadleaf weed control program then becomes possible.

Insect Control

Insect presence is always a consideration. In the past several seasons we have used a dual purpose seed treatment on some of our wheat seed to combat a wireworm problem. During the growing season fields are monitored for any potential insect problem and if one develops we take the required action to protect our potential yield.

Disease Control

There are two areas of concern. All of our seed is treated. One of our objectives is to protect the growing plant from potentially damaging seed or soilborn diseases. Secondly, in changing the way we work our land, rotate our crops and increase our yields, crop diseases may become more of a concern. We are just beginning to learn more about disease identification, levels of disease infections (and resulting yield losses) and the role that foliar applied fungicides may play in the control of them. 1985 was the first year we applied a foliar fungicide to a percentage of our wheat crop and I am positive it will not be the last.

Harvesting

By this time of the season we have invested a great deal of money and effort and it is imperative that we harvest the crop as quickly as possible so that it is under our control.

In 1984 and 1985 we had some wheat fields yielding 75 bushels per acre. Six or seven years ago, in our area, I would not have thought this possible. When formulating our crop production plan for 1987 our goal was to strive for overall average wheat yeidls of 75 bushels per acre. I feel we have an excellent chance in achieving that goal. We will also be setting a yield target of 100 bushels per acre of wheat for one field and I feel confident that this type of yield is now coming within our grasp.

FUTURE

There is at present high yield wheat systems research underway and even more of this integrated type of research work will have to be carried out in the future. Industry may have to take a stronger leadership role in this area because, at least in Canada, at this point in time, government research funding for agriculture appears to be very tight. Also closer ties may have to be developed between researchers and farmers with input from the farm community with respect to the type of research required for that area. Funding by the grower is one option to consider in support of this research.

Growers will be bombarded with ever increasing amounts of high yield information and will have to be more careful than ever in the selection and interpretation of this information as to how it may apply to their particular farm. However, all the supportive information that modern technology can provide will be of little value in the grower's attitude is not optimistic, progressive, and somewhat adventurous. The grower who is prepared to accept the risk; Who is successful in the assimilation and implementation of this information into his cropping program; will be rewarded with <a href="https://example.com/historycolors/histo

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