

Holmes Agro-Nomic Newsletter



Seed Draw

We are excited to announce our early order seed draw this year. Have your seed orders submitted by the end of November and you will be entered into a draw to receive a \$500 gift card! Contact your agronomist for more information!

Harvest 2020 - You Have Collected the data... Now What?

Most combines now will have some sort of yield monitor/ data collecting system in place. However, for many there is still a large gap between collecting the data and using the data for management decisions. In the past the information collected has only been used to confirm thoughts on yield on a field to field basis. Our next step is to extract this data, clean it up, and layer it with other spatial data to support our on-farm decisions for following years. The key to having good useable harvest data, is inputting as much correlated information correctly and consistently year over year such as field boundaries and varieties. With yield data we can easily identify zones to implement multiple application strategies, which could include grid and zone sampling, variable rate fertilizer or fungicide applications and seeding rate and variety opportunities. Layering our zone/grid soil sample results with our harvest data is one of the most effective ways to help make input decisions to maximize ROI next season and beyond. If you are looking for help extracting your yield data from a monitor or other applications, please speak with your Holmes Agro agronomist.

COVID-19 Update

We are continually monitoring the COVID-19 situation with the public health units in our areas. As always, we will prioritize the health and safety of our customers, employees, and their families. Along with increased sanitation of high-use areas, our offices remain closed to the public at this time. Customers are encouraged to phone ahead and use the order windows available at each location. We will keep you updated on any changes as more information is available to us from the public health authorities. Thank you for your support and understanding. Stay safe.

Holmes Agro Credit Policy

Our credit terms are net 20th day of the following month for eligible charge accounts, as per our credit application and agreement.

Payments: Setting up online or telephone banking is simple. Select Holmes Agro as the payee and use your 5-digit account number, which is listed next to your account name on invoices and statements. Holmes Agro bill payments are available at the following financial institutions: Bank of Montreal, CIBC, Meridian Credit Union, National Bank, RBC Royal Bank, Scotiabank and TD Canada Trust.

CLEANFarms 2020



Thank you to everyone who participated in the Cleanfarms program over the past year. We have wrapped up empty jug collection for the 2020 year and will start up again in April of 2021 ☺

Grower Pesticide Safety Courses

We have some dates set for the new year for the Grower Pesticide Safety Refresh and Rewrite at the Orangeville and Stayner locations. These are required for any chemicals other than Class 4 – these include some common herbicides as well as most insecticides and fungicides. Please have a look at your existing cards and make plans for renewal. Safety measures for COVID-19 will be enforced at these events. The full course will be offered online with multiple dates currently listed and more dates to become available in the future based on demand.

Bookings can be made online at www.opep.ca or by calling 1-800-652-8573. Payments must be made ahead of time as course instructors are no longer accepting payments at the courses. Books are available at our offices for pick up anytime.

We will not be able to sell chemical other than Class 4 to those who do not have a current Grower Pesticide License, so please make sure you have this in place before the upcoming year.

Refresh and Renew

- February 24th St. Patrick's Parish Hall, Stayner
- March 25th Orangeville Location

Online Full Course:

November 23rd – 27th

December 7th - 11th

January 25th - 29th

March 15th - 19th

March 22nd - 26th



| 2021 | 2004 | Showcase | |
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Brevant Corn

| B82R52AM | 2400 | New early flowering hybrid with good drought tolerance and staygreen |
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| B87R76AM | 2550 | Shorter stature plant with excellent drought tolerance and disease package |

Brevant Soybeans

| B011DE | 2550 | New variety with Enlist, Some natural tolerance to SCN, solid emergence |
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| B039Y1 | 2600 | High yield potential, good tolerance to white mould, bushy type plant |
| B081RX | 2725 | SCN resistance with Xtend technology |
| Pride Corn | | |
| A4646G2 | 2300 | Fast establishment and vigour, fast dry down and outstanding test weight |
| A5225G2 | 2600 | Strong emergence and vigour with aggressive populations |
| A5404G2 | 2625 | Shorter plants with strong standability, early flowering and quick dry down |
| A5383G8 | 2675 | Below ground insect protection, versatile workhorse type hybrid |

Pride Soybeans

| PS0077XRN | 2475 | Very good disease package, dicamba tolerant, SCN resistance |
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| PS0098XR | 2550 | Very good stress tolerance with strong yield potential |
| PS0420 XRN | 2675 | New Xtend variety with SCN and phytopthera resistance |

ProSeeds Soybeans

| SI 0120XTN | 2550 | Taller early maturing variety with Phytopthera and SCN disease package |
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| PRO 03X74 | 2575 | Providing great standability and high yield potential. Can move north of zone well |
| SI 0520SE | 2650 | Mid season enlist variety with competitive yield potential |

Syngenta Corn

| NK8204-3220 | 2550 | Strong emergence with good root system Viptera trait for WBC control |
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| NK8519-5222 | 2650 | Great standability and strong drought tolerance. Option for below ground protection |

Syngenta Soybeans

| S01-C4X | 2525 | High yield potential with an early Xtend soybean variety |
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| S04-D3 | 2625 | Outstanding top-end yield, solid stress tolerance! |
| S07-K5X | 2700 | Tall plant with excellent standability, extremely white mould tolerant, big yields |

Upcoming Events

November 10th - 14th - Royal Agricultural Winter Fair

November 2nd, 10th, 18th & 26th – Ontario Young Farms Forum

December 1-3th – Forage Focus 2020

January 5th - 12th - Grey Bruce Farmers Week

January 6th - 7th - Southwest Agricultural Conference <u>www.southwestagconference.ca</u>

*All events listed are virtual

