

FarmSmart Farming Systems Expo 2017

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The 2017 edition of the FarmSmart Farming Systems Expo attracted a near record crowd on a wonderful July Thursday and was another great success. The expo event is meant to provide a practical hands-on extension to the winter FarmSmart Agricultural Conference

The purpose of these diagnostic days is to highlight current issues in crop production. This is done through creating and exploring “field issues” which provided participants with skills and knowledge needed to identify and solve problems as they become evident, or better yet, identify and correct issues before they become problems.

The FarmSmart Expo is a one day event, with the first day inviting farmers and agribusiness to the Elora Research Station of the University of Guelph. The participants are organized into small groups who rotate through a number of sessions that challenge them in problem solving current and obscure agronomic events that have been experienced in the field. The sessions also highlight new technologies and techniques.

Sessions in 2017 included:

Exploring Organic Amendment Options for Row Crop Farming	Christine Brown and Brian Dickson, OMAFRA
P & K Management Options for Optimizing Crop Production and Environmental Protection	Horst Bohner and Jake Munroe, OMAFRA
Understanding the Implications of Sprayer Tank Cleanout Shortcomings and their Impacts	Mike Cowbrough and Jason Deveau, OMAFRA
Glyphosate resistant fleabane, cover crops and yield loss.	Clarence Swanton and Francois Tardif, UG
Soil Health Interp Centre Initiatives	Claudia Wagner-Riddle, UG
Understanding Soils and the Tools To Study Them	Daniel Sarette, OMAFRA and Asim Biswa, UG
A Close Look At Tillage Erosion	Anne Verhallen and Ben Rosser, OMAFRA
Western Bean Cutworm ID, Scouting and Management	Art Schaafsma, UG

Crop Advance: Field Crop Reports

A big thank you to all our speakers, organizers, sponsors and participants for helping making the 2017 event another great success.

The 2018 event will be held on Thursday July 13th. Keep current with FarmSmart related happenings at our new website at www.farmsmartconference.com

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