



Cereals Research at The Organic Research Centre and SAC at Wakelyns Agroforestry, 4th March 2009

Wakelyns Agroforestry, Metfield Lane, Fressingfield, Eye, Suffolk, IP21 5SD

This event is an opportunity to come and find out about exciting areas of organic arable research. Wheat agronomy, wheat breeding and intercropping will be the topics for the day.



Programme:

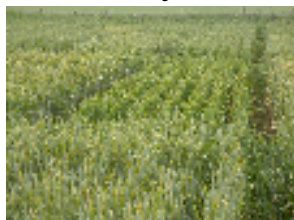
1:00 pm Free organic/local lunch

1:45 pm Wheat Link Project results, followed by discussion

2:45 pm Cereal-Legume Intercropping trials at SAC

3:00 pm Introduction to 'Wheat Breeding LINK' trial and early results on wheat populations, followed by discussion

4:00 pm Tea & Coffee



Wheat Link*:

This three year project aimed to improve sustainable production of organic wheat, by studying the interactive effect of management factors. Today, the results of the trial will be discussed, with an opportunity to see the Claydon Strip Drill on display. Dr Sarah Clarke of ADAS will be here to present a Decision Support Tool – a useful tool estimating gross margins based on your choice of management factors.

Cereal-Legume Intercropping:

John Baddeley from Scottish Agricultural College will give the latest results from their Cereal-Legume Intercropping project. This project measured the yield and environmental benefits that may be gained by growing cereal/legume intercrops as part of a rotational cropping system.

Wheat Breeding Link*:

This ongoing project uses within-crop diversity to provide farmers with stable yields across sites and years. Wheat Populations are being grown on farms across the UK, and assessed for their yield stability, and bread-making potential.

If you would like to come to this event, or for further information, please contact Helen Pearce on 01379 586 021 or helen.p@organicresearchcentre.com

Please note that this event is free.

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