

Program Details

- 1 Glyphosate Stewardship**
Peter Sikkema, U of G, Ridgetown Campus
François Tardif, University of Guelph
Strategies to maximize the long term performance of glyphosate.
- 2 Air, Water, Temperature & Tillage**
David Hooker, U of G, Ridgetown Campus
Paul Jasa, University of Nebraska
Understanding the interaction between tillage & soil properties to create better seedbeds.
- 3 The Organic Matter Balance**
Jane Johnson, USDA, Minnesota
Healthy soils vs energy from crop residues - can we have both?
- 4 Nematodes – Good, Bad or Ugly?**
Mario Tenuta, University of Manitoba
Albert Tenuta, OMAFRA
A lively discussion on managing corn and soybean nematodes.
- 5 Better Cover Crop Options**
Laura Van Eerd, U of G, Ridgetown Campus
Tom Kaspar, USDA, Iowa
Fitting cover crops into field crop rotations. New ideas & recent research.
- 6 More Nitrogen, More Corn?**
Fred Below, University of Illinois
Stacked traits, site specific management & new recommendations - the impact on nitrogen use.
- 7 Maximizing Manure**
Brad Joern, Purdue University
How to track & capture the nitrogen in manure!
- 8 Biofuel Opportunities**
Bill Deen, University of Guelph
The latest research on biomass crops - what's working & what's not.
- 9 Dollars with Dry Beans**
Mike Eisengruber, BAMP Marketing and Consulting Inc., Michigan
Dry bean opportunities in 2010. Are they for you?
- 10 Nitrogen Management Strategies**
David Start, Woodstock
Stewart Cressman, Waterloo
Greg Stewart, OMAFRA - moderator
Two top growers' strategies on how much, where & when to apply nitrogen in corn.
- 11 Storing Fertilizer - Profit or Peril?**
David Finlayson, Canadian Fertilizer Institute
Helmut Spieser, OMAFRA
You made your deal and the fertilizer is on its way. Are you really ready?



- 12 The End of No-till in Soybeans?**
Bill Deen, University of Guelph
Horst Bohner, OMAFRA
From nodulation to slugs, can we overcome the downside of no-till?
- 13 Improving Soybean Aphid Management**
Rebecca Hallett, University of Guelph
Yingen Xue, University of Guelph
Christie Bahlai, University of Guelph
Andrew Frewin, University of Guelph
Building beneficials into your soybean aphid spray decisions.
- 14 Top Yielding Soybean Tips**
Del Voight, Penn State University
Horst Bohner, OMAFRA
Discover high performance strategies for big yields and big profits.
- 15 Defining Soil Management Zones**
Rick Willemsse, Parkhill
Doug Aspinall, OMAFRA
Ian McDonald, OMAFRA
Yield, soil fertility, slope...using field information to create variable rate application maps.
- 16 Delving into Data - FW & SMS**
Karon Cowan, AgTech GIS
Enhance your FarmWorks & SMS skills and make sense of your field data through this hands-on computer workshop.
2HR. WORKSHOP – PRE-REGISTER, SPACE IS LIMITED
- 17 Delving into Data - JD**
Greg Kitching, AgraTurf
Matt Grant, AgraTurf
Enhance your JD Apex skills and make sense of your field data through this hands-on computer workshop.
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- 18 Pricing Production Inputs**
Ken McEwan, U of G, Ridgetown Campus
Kim Fysh, Thamesville
Go comparison shopping for fuel, fertilizer and pesticides.
- 19 Funding Opportunities to Improve Your Bottom Line**
Ron Faubert, OSCIA
Joanne Sanderson, OSCIA
Growing Forward cost share funding for business and environmental projects.

- 20 Agriculture & Public Perception**
Wallace Pidgeon, OFAC
You have an incredible story to tell... Now learn how to tell it to your neighbours & the media!
- 21 Dealing with Disasters**
Alan DeVillaeer, Chatham-Kent
Emergency Management Coordinator
First responders on the farm - what do you do? Tips on First Aid, CPR and more...
- 22 Market Outlook 2010**
Cal Whewell, FC Stone, Ohio
Cal's insight into world & local markets. Strategies you should consider this year.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 7 ONLY
- 23 Focus on Costs!**
John Molenhuis, OMAFRA
What is your cost of production? Where you can save and where you should not!
- 24 Triggers and Targets**
Richard Vyn, U of G, Ridgetown Campus
Which corn marketing strategy is the best fit for you?



- 25 Volatile Prices in Agricultural Markets**
Victor Aideyan, HISGRAIIN Commodities Inc.
Manage price swings & risk. Working the global grain & biofuel markets into your decisions.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6 ONLY
- 26 Farm Gate Marketing**
Lynda Van Casteren, Phepston
John Weninger, Alymer
Dorene Collins, OMAFRA
Beyond production agriculture - best practices & lessons learned on the road to farm diversification.
- 27 Snake Oil or Wonder Product?**
Rigas Karamanos, Viterra Inc., Alberta
Non-conventional crop inputs - which ones actually work?
- 28 Production Pundits**
Pat Lynch, Cargill
Clare Kinlin, Syngenta
Peter Johnson, OMAFRA
Challenge these seasoned experts with your crop production questions.
- 29 Herbicide Rotational Restrictions**
Darren Robinson, U of G, Ridgetown Campus
Does your herbicide program limit next year's horticultural crops?
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30 Managing Increasing Residues
Marion Calmer, Calmer Corn Heads, Illinois
Improve residue management to increase soil fertility and yield.

31 Manage Woodlots for Profit & Biodiversity
Donald Craig, Registered Professional Forester, Newbury

Optimize your woodlot: tree planting incentives, management goals & wildlife habitat.

32 Are Biosolids for You?

*Harry Buurma, Watford
Michael Payne, OMAFRA*

Biosolids as cheap fertilizer? The rules, risks & benefits.

33 Corn Concepts

*David Hooker, U of G, Ridgetown Campus
Greg Stewart, OMAFRA*

The latest on fungicides, starter fertilizer, replanting strategies & more.

34 Build a Healthier Soil

Mario Tenuta, University of Manitoba

How your cropping decisions affect what flourishes & what fails in your soil.

35 Top 10 Weed Management Tips

Peter Sikkema, U of G, Ridgetown Campus

Improve weed control for corn & soybeans with the latest research insights.

36 Pest Identification Workshop

*Mike Cowbrough, OMAFRA
Jocelyn Smith, U of G, Ridgetown Campus*

Learn how to distinguish various weeds. Insect identification, featuring corn insects and ear damage.

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37 Rills, Gullies & Washouts

Brad Glasman, Upper Thames River Conservation Authority

Restoration & prevention tips to keep your topsoil in place.

38 The Weed Whisperer

Clarence Swanton, University of Guelph

Solve the mysteries around yield potential & the interference caused by weeds.

39 Performance Planters!

*Paul Jasa, University of Nebraska
Mark Brock, Staffa*

Confused about planter modifications? From name brands to after-market, our pit crew can help tune up your machine.

40 Fertilizer Basics

*Rigas Karamanos, Viterra Inc., Alberta
Jerry Winnicki, Clark Agri Service Inc.*

How much? Where? What conditions affect your fertilizer needs? Options for 2010.

41 Diagnostic Tools for the Whole Field

*Dale Cowan, Southern Cooperative Services
Anne Verhallen, OMAFRA*

A hands-on workshop featuring tools for soil and crop diagnostics.

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42 Pest Alert 2010

*Chris DiFonzo, Michigan State University
Tracey Baute, OMAFRA*

Albert Tenuta, OMAFRA
What insect & disease threats are on the horizon? Bring your questions!

43 Getting Ag Smart with Smartphones

*Peter Gredig, Farms.com
Andrew Campbell, Farms.com*

Ian McDonald, OMAFRA
Optimize your smartphone technology with agricultural applications. Bring your smartphone and get turned on!

44 On Farm Grain Storage - Pitfalls & Profits

*Ernie Taves, Wheatley
Greg Beuermann, Dublin
Bill Litwin, Highgate
Helmut Spieser, OMAFRA - moderator*
Drying & storing grain sounds easy. Now hear the rest of the story.

45 Dollars from the Sun

Don Hilborn, OMAFRA
The Green Energy Act provides opportunities for income from solar power on the farm. Get plugged in!

46 Tweak Your Combine

Marion Calmer, Calmer Corn Heads, Illinois
Combine settings for better harvesting & residue management.

WORKSHOP REMINDERS!

Structured to allow for lots of interaction and small class numbers.

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41 Diagnostic Tools

- The workshops usually fill very quickly!

- You MUST pre-register

- Mark your choices on the registration form

- Check your conference package for confirmation

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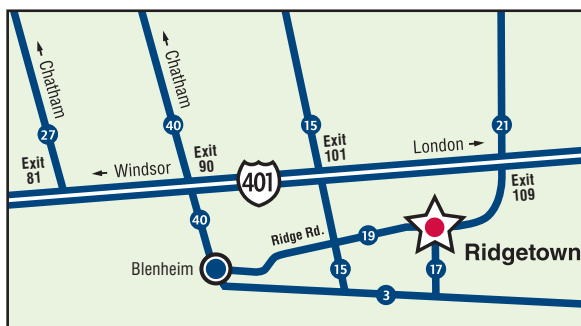
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