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Wednesday, January 6th and Thursday, January 7th, 2021

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Live Stage Agenda

**DAY ONE**  
**JANUARY 6TH, 2021**

9:22 – 9:27  Welcome

9:27 – 10:27  **#2 IPM Mythbusters**

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3:27 – 4:27  Coming Together Social

**DAY TWO**  
**JANUARY 7TH, 2021**

9:22 – 9:27  Welcome

9:27 – 10:27  **#15 Where the Rubber Hits the Field!**

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11:27 – 12:27  **#21 Soybean Success**

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1:27 – 2:27  **#1 Production Pundits**

**Don’t Miss These**

**#1 Production Pundits [LIVE]**
These three STAR agronomists from across the province will answer questions and help apply what you have learned to Ontario conditions. Have your queries ready!

Deb Campbell, Agronomy Advantage Inc.;
Chis Olbach, Corteva; Ken Curnah, BASF;
Peter Johnson, REALAg.com [Moderator]

**#2 IPM Mythbusters [LIVE]**
These Expert Entomologists will give the answers for what works and what doesn’t when scouting for that endless list of insects from 2020 and beyond.

Dr. Jocelyn Smith, U of G Ridgeway Campus;
Dr. Chris DiFonzo, Michigan State University;
Tracey Beutte, OMAFRA

**#9 A Farmer’s Guide to Road Safety [LIVE]**
Safety is not optional! These two experts talk the rules and the reality, leaving lots of time to answer your questions.

Matthew Mitchell, MTO; Richard Curado, MTO;
Ian McDonald, OMAFRA [Moderator]

**#15 Where the Rubber Hits the Field! [LIVE]**
Compaction costs yield! For the latest in tires and tracks, join these three excellent experts on what solution works best in different situations on the farm.

Nick Dubuc; Soucy Int;
Mike Hryhorchuk, Michelin, NA;
Eric Brubacher, OK Tire;
Alex Barne, OMAFRA [Moderator]

**#19 “The Corn Whisperer” [LIVE]**
Corn contest winners in the United States hit HUGE yield targets, and Ontario coffee shop yields often seem amazing. Learn what really works from these two corn Guru’s.

Dr. Bob Nielsen, Purdue University;
Greg Stewart, MaizeX Sees

**#21 Soybean Success [LIVE]**
MASSIVE soybean yields are possible! Horst and Dave talk soybean management options that will work to get you there, with time to challenge their thoughts along the way.

Dr. Dave Hooker, U of G Ridgeway Campus;
Horst Bohnner, OMAFRA

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**Coming Together Social**  
January 6th, 2021 at 3:27 p.m. to 4:27 p.m.  
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Make sure to visit all our sponsors  
Located in the Exhibition Hall
#1 Production Pundits [LIVE]
Deb Campbell, Agromony Advantage Inc.; Chris Ubach, Corteva; Ken Curnah, BASF; Peter Johnson, RealAg.com [Moderator]
Have your questions ready! These experts will address any and all agronomic questions.

#2 IPM Mythbusters [LIVE]
Dr. Jocelyn Smith, U of G Ridgetown Campus; Dr. Chris Difilone, Michigan State University; Tracey Baute, OMAFRA
This talented trio takes your questions and talks about the challenges with IPM.

#3 The Road to Organics.
3 Journeys!
Phl Oegema, Oegema Grains Ltd.; Terry Good, Good Family Farms; Aaron Bowman, Hampton; Sebastian Belliard, OMAFRA [Moderator]
The opportunities and obstacles in transitioning to organic. Join these recent converts as they discuss successes, pitfalls, and the economics that drives it all.

#4 Soil Carbon
Dr. Cynthia Kallenbach, McGill University; Sebastian Belliard, OMAFRA
How soil carbon works, and how to manage to get more in your soil.

#5 Manure Happens
Dr. Francisco Anjala, UW-Madison; Christine Brown, OMAFRA
How can environmental risk be minimized with management when there is no choice except winter application?

#6 Herbicide Carryover
Mike Cowbrough, OMAFRA; Dr. Darren Robinson, U of G Ridgetown Campus
What affects herbicide persistence? A look at the symptoms, the factors involved, and the management tweaks for mitigation of carryover. What do you do when there is no guidance?

#7 Digging Into Soil Compaction
Dr. Scott Shearer, Ohio State University; Prof Matthias Stettler, Bern University, Switzerland
These two global soil compaction experts discuss the lessons they have learned and what more we need to do.

#8 Cereal Rye: Many Options!
Jake Munroe, OMAFRA; Christine O'Reilly, OMAFRA; Aaron Bowman, Hampton
From roller crimper to forage production, taking cereal rye beyond a basic cover crop to putting money in your pocket.

#9 A Farmer’s Guide to Road Safety [LIVE]
Matthew Mitchell, MTO; Richard Cuadra, MTO; Ian McDonald, OMAFRA [Moderator]
Back by popular demand! Understanding the rules of the road and being safe are critical, with lots of time to answer your questions!

#10 Cover Crop Agronomy
Anne Verhulst, OMAFRA
Managing cover crops to get more! From roots to biomass, what we have learned from plots, demos and experienced farmers.

#11 Dynamic Disease
Dr. Damon Smith, UW-Madison; Albert Tenuta, OMAFRA
From tarspot to white mould, hear the latest on field crop diseases and management strategies from this dynamic duo!

#12 Nature’s Best Hope
Dr. Doug Tallamy, University of Delaware
Doug will discuss simple steps that each of us can and must take to reverse declining biodiversity.

#13 Planting Cold
Chris Ubach, Corteva; Chuck Belanger, MaizeX Seeds; Deb Campbell, Agromony Advantage Inc.; Ben Rosser, OMAFRA, [Moderator]
The temperature is below zero; do you plant or wait? These experts discuss how environment, genetics, seed quality and management all influence your decision.

#14 Is a Biostrip-Till Corn System for you?
Lawrence Hogan, I Lucknow; Steve Howard, Lucknow; Ian McDonald, OMAFRA, [Moderator]
Follow Lawrence and Steve’s journey to eliminate tillage and still optimize crop productivity and profitability. What does it take?

#15 Where the Rubber Hits the Field! [LIVE]
Nick Duboe, Slousy tilt; Mike Heynrichz, Michelin, NA; Eric Brubacher, OK Tire; Alex Barrie, OMAFRA [Moderator]
Join the conversation with these 3 experts to discuss how to choose the right tire or track solutions for your equipment.

#16 Go Long with Cover Crops
Dr. Laura Van Eerd, U of G Ridgetown Campus; Dr. Dave Hooker, U of G Ridgetown Campus; Dr. Manish Raizada, University of Guelph
These long-term cover crop researchers have new data to answer the questions from yield to environment to economics and more!

#17 Scouting App Software
Joe Tomcek, Tomcek Agriculture Services Inc.; Ryan Benjamins, Benjamins Agriculture Services; Deb Campbell, Agromony Advantage Inc.
Keeping records, dropping pins, communicating what you find; these agronomists talk what works and what doesn’t for field scouting.

#18 Dry Beans for Dollars
Meghan Moran, OMAFRA; Dr. Jamie Larsen, AAFC Harrow
From the newest resources to the latest research come check out the top management options for dry bean success.

#19 “The Corn Whisperer” [LIVE]
Dr. Bob Nielsen, Purdue University; Greg Stewart, Mazes Seeds
How do contest yield winners grow 500, or even 600 bushel corn? What are their secrets? This session will highlight key factors for high yield corn.

#20 Marketing Madness
Steve Knoll, Independent Agronomist
Steve takes us beyond supply and demand to look at the political and economic forces that drive the value of our crops; and targets to set moving forward.

#21 Soybean Success [LIVE]
Dr. Dave Hooker, U of G Ridgetown Campus; Harst Bonner, OMAFRA
From planting depth to re-plants to residue management, these Ontario soybean experts will cover the waterfront and answer your questions.

#22 Bt-Resistant Rootworm in Ontario
Christine O'Reilly, OMAFRA; Dr. Jocelyn Smith, U of G Ridgetown Campus; Dr. Ewen, Shields, Cornell University
Bt-resistant corn rootworm has been found in Ontario. What does it mean for growers? What are the alternatives, and how do we manage it?

#23 To Till or Not To Till?
Jodi De Jong-Hughes, University of Minnesota
From research to demonstration to practical farm experience, the answers to tillage questions remain elusive. Hear from this North American tillage expert and her learnings from Minnesota farmers.

#24 The Canadian Economy Impacts Agriculture!
Craig Lemm, FCC
Craig helps farmers understand the current macro trends of the Canadian economy to guide micro decisions on the farm.
#25 Record Breaking Wheat
Eric Watson, Wakanui, New Zealand; David Welth, Bayer CropScience, New Zealand; Joanna Ellings, OMAFRA
World record yields! Breaking his own previous world record, Eric and agronomist David give the details of how to get there, while Joanna covers ways to implement and evaluate these techniques in Ontario.

#26 Managing Nitrogen
John Heard, Manitoba Agriculture; Dr. John Lauzon, University of Guelph
Understanding when to use N stabilizers and how application methods impact the outcome is essential in managing nitrogen for profit and to minimize losses.

#27 Dream Team Agronomy
Michelle Baker, Millstone Crop Services; Luke Hartung, North Wellington Co-op; Jenna Laramie, Seterlinton’s Fertilizer Service Ltd.
2020, a year to remember! A look at the successes, challenges and what these top Ontario agronomists learned.

#28 Weather Wisdom
Dale Cowan, Agri & Warstead Farmers Co-ops; Daryl Vermeu, Weather Involunteers Consulting LP
Made in Ontario tools that can turn your weather stress into management success.

#29 Fine Tuning Strip Till
Tyler McIlvain, McIlvain Farms Ltd.; Tony Bakewell, Nithfield Advanced Agronomy; Ben Rossier, OMAFRA (Moderator)
From fertility strategies that work to strip till on hills, these two farmers are making it work.

#30 Making Sense of the Soil
Dr. Abbey Wick, North Dakota State University
Ideas and approaches used by conservation-minded farmers on their journey to better soil health.

#31 Building Management Zones
Jonathan Zettler, Fieldwater Agronomy Ltd.; Aaron Bremer, Vertica; Zach Harner, SoilOptix
SWAT MAPS, SoilOptix, SOIL - New Technology to better define management zones & determine what and where inputs will pay.

#32 Hay Cash Croppers!
Matt Bergman, Jarvis; Henry Prinzen, Jarvis; Fritz Trauttmansdorff, Dunlea Farms
Join the conversation with new and established hay producers on why and how they are bringing hay into their cash crop farms. Hear about the business models, production, marketing, logistics and more.

#33 Record Breaking Soybeans
Horst Bohner, OMAFRA; Dr. Shawn Conley, UW-Madison; Dr. Laura Lindsey, Ohio State University
These soybean gurus find ways to increase your yields without breaking the bank!

#34 “What Sprayer Would Tom Buy?”
Dr. Jason Doveau, OMAFRA; Dr. Tom Wolf, AgriMetrix
What does a drone sprayer look like? Must-have, nice-to-have, which features exist and who has them? What features should exist and why don’t they? And, critically, what colour is the heated cup holder?

#35 Working with Pesticides
Dr. Carol Black, Washington State University; Andrew Thoitsen, North Dakota State University
A must-see session for every sprayer operator! Carol covers improving the protection of pesticide operators, while Andrew looks at inversions and why you need to look out for them.

#36 Glyphosate-resistant Weeds
Dr. Peter Sikkema, U of G Ridgetown Campus
The latest research on glyphosate-resistant weeds in Ontario and which management strategies really work.

#37 Road Map to Succession
Phil Bogdanski, Libro Credit Union; Andrew Campbell, Bellmore Farms Stratford; Jean Deelman, BDS Farms; Margaret May, OSCA (Moderator)
Turns are mandatory! From picking an advisor to making it happen, this panel will cover what works, and things to avoid.

#38 Utilizing Technology
Jason Prank, Triaño Farms Inc.; Mark Richards, Richards Rolling Acres Ltd.; Martha Patton, Patton Poultry Breeders Inc.; Climate, Granular, or My John Deere: a look at how to make these data management systems pay you back on the farm.

#39 Hiring, Firing and INSPIRING
Bridget Schill, Schill AG Partners; Mac Ferguson, Mac Ferguson Farms; Donna Archer, Mutzing Acres
From the school of hard knocks: 3 farmers bring practical tips for successfully keeping, managing, and inspiring farm labour.

#40 Life Strategies of the Healthiest Farmers
Briana Hagen, University of Guelph
Based on real-life stories of Ontario farmers, Briana takes us on a journey of facing and overcoming mental health challenges.

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