

Canada's Outdoor Farm Show 2003

Canada's Outdoor Farm Show is one of Canada's leading outdoor agricultural showcases. It offers producers "one-stop shopping" and demonstrates the newest and most innovative advances in agricultural products and services. The Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association (OSCIA) and OMAFRA crop technology staff have set up a demonstration site at Canada's Outdoor Farm Show each year since the show's inception in 1993. The objective of this display is to highlight and showcase the latest and most effective crop management strategies, with a view to improving productivity and environmental sustainability for Ontario growers.

In 2003, the OSCIA/OMAFRA display attracted thousands of growers over the three-day show. Interactive demonstrations on spray coverage, strip tillage and weed control timing as well as insect, disease and weed identification proved to be very popular with visitors. Tree shelterbelts for sustainable agriculture and cover crops have been a yearly attraction. The highlight of the display for many was the daily "production pundits" showcase whereby growers would receive answers and tips regarding their most challenging management issues from a panel of industry experts.

Some of the key demonstration plots that will be set up in 2004 include:

- 1) Roundup Ready Corn Spray Timing
- 2) Weed, Insect, and Disease Identification
- 3) Soybean Seed Chilling Injury
- 4) Soybean Seed Treatments / Planting Date
- 5) Red Cover Establishment
- 6) Leafhopper Control in Alfalfa
- 7) Soil Compaction/ Tire Pressure
- 8) Manure Injection Systems
- 9) Cover Crops
- 10) Shelterbelts for sustainable farming

Next year's show will be held in Woodstock, Ontario on September 14, 15 & 16, 2004. Stop by to get the latest information related to crop management.

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