## Eastern Ontario Crop Diagnostic Day – July 15, 2008



The Eastern Ontario Crop Diagnostic Day is a cooperative effort between the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, the Eastern Ontario Crop Advisory Committee, and Kemptville College. The Eastern Ontario Crop Diagnostic Day is an annual event held in mid-July, designed specifically to improve the problem solving skills of seed, fertilizer and chemical industry personnel, agricultural consultants and farm managers. Certified Crop Advisor credits are available for most sessions.

The Eastern Ontario Crop Diagnostic Day provides growers and agri-business personnel with "hands-on" learning experiences to assist in the correct identification and treatment of crop problems common to eastern Ontario. The program provides a "real-world" environment where agriculturists can hone their crop trouble-shooting skills and evaluate new and alternative management strategies.

This year's topics include: Soybeans – Glyphosate & Mg Interactions, Residue And Reduced Tillage Planting Issues - Corn & Soybean, New Alfalfa Diseases & Pest Management, Weed ID of Annual Grasses And Control, Crop Diagnostic – Field Scouting & Diagnostics, Plant Health And Diseases - Corn & Soybeans, Cereal Plant Staging – Critical, Weed Control, Herbicide Injury In Corn, Sprayer Roulette Or Targeted, Choice, Diagnostic Challenge.

Popular topics include: Weed Identification, Herbicide Injury, Annual Forages, Cheap Herbicide Programs for Corn, Herbicide Diagnostic Challenge, Soybean Diagnostic Challenge, Cereal Pests, Insects in Corn & Soybean, Diseases in Corn & Soybeans, Soil Bugs - the Good and the Bad, and Early Corn Management. About 300 participants attended the Eastern Ontario Crop Diagnostic Day in 2008, up from 33% from past years.

- Participant comments about what they liked:
- "organization and people of OMAFRA & Industry"
- "hands on demonstrations, it was all very informative, quality of presenters, all of it, good variety, engaging speakers who are extremely knowledgeable, fact that you are able to see/touch, field demos, knowledgeable experts, interesting speakers, great organization & information"
- "OMAFRA extension people are great & unbiased...well done, again!"

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