

2010 Facey Group Trials

This season will prove to be the group's largest trial program with 15 trials in the ground across the Facey Group region. The group's widely known Rotations for Profit is heading into its 7th year of operation, this demonstration is testament to the excellent work and innovation of group members as it was only intended to go for five years.

The following trial plan has been seeded at the main trial site and we look forward to the outcomes at the completion of the season:

	Rotation Details 2004-2009	2010
1	Pasture/Wheat/Pasture/Wheat/Pasture/Wheat	Pasture volunteer
2	Lupin/Wheat/Barley/Lupins/Wheat/Barley	Lupins Jenabillup
3	Lupin/Wheat/Canola/Wheat/Barley/Lupin	Wheat Mace
4	Wheat/Wheat/Wheat/Wheat/Wheat/Wheat	Wheat Mace
5	Peas/Wheat/Wheat/Canola/Wheat/Barley	Peas Kaspar
6	BM/Wheat/Wheat/Wheat/Wheat/Wheat	Peas Kaspar - Brown Manured
7	Canola/Wheat/Pasture/Pasture/Wheat/Canola	Wheat Mace
8	Fallow/Wheat/Wheat/Barley/Canola/Wheat	Wheat Mace
9	Barley/Barley/Barley/Barley/Barley/Barley	Barley Buloke

The following trial list is being held on the satellite site on Clinton Mullan's and families property Dead Finish in Dudinin:

Syngenta	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstration of pre-emergent Boxer Gold application to post-emergent Boxer Gold applications Demonstration of disease control packages for the control of Yellow Leaf Spot
Landmark	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-emergent control of annual ryegrass control in wheat Scope barley herbicide tolerance trial
Ballard Seeds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cadiz and serradella new release variety demonstration
Canola NVT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National canola variety trial

On another site on Mullan's property in partnership with CSBP directed by Gerard Medlen is a long term trial determining the long term profitability of low, medium and high fertiliser inputs over the next 4-5 seasons. In addition to these trials there are a number of other investigations happening around our region:

Summit Fertilizers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long term phosphorus management
WANTFA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water rate, droplet size and speed effect on herbicide efficacy
National Variety Trials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canola and Wheat variety trials
DAFWA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated Pest Management comparing farmer practice, integrated pest management and nil. Precision Agriculture investigation using variable rate technologies Management options for the control of rhizoctonia and nematodes
Wheatbelt NRM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stubble and weed management options over summer.

This year's Spring Field day will be on the 15th of September which will showcase a number of the above trials. If you would like any further information on any of these trials or have any ideas for investigation please contact Maree at the office.