

NCGA Corn Yield Contest Names State Winners

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — Pennsylvania corn producers entered fields in five of the classes in the 1995 Corn Yield Contest sponsored by the National Corn Growers Association (NCGA).

The contest results were announced on Jan. 15. The state winners are listed here. Nine of the fields entered yielded more than 200 bushels/acre. This was a significant achievement considering the late season weather conditions last year.

Note the comparison of Pennsylvania yields with some of

those from the Corn Belt this year. Pennsylvania is a class RAS state in the NCGA contest. This class comprises most of the non-Corn Belt states in the U.S. The class RAAS includes many of the states from the Corn Belt.

This year, yields in most classes were higher in the TAU classes compared to the RAAS classes. The top yield this year in the Class A Non-Irrigated Class in Pennsylvania was 227.78 bushels/acre, grown by Jack Coleman of Ronks. If Pennsylvania were competing with

the Corn Belt states this year in the Class AA, Coleman's entry would have come in second place nationally, yielding about 0.08 bushels less than the first place entrant, Melvin Johnston of Smithland, Iowa, whose crop yielded 227.86 bushels/acre.

In the class RAS competition, the top yield was 250.15 bushels/acre, grown by J M Souza Farms Inc. in Lodi, Calif. Apparently, the poor weather conditions in the Corn Belt limited the yields for growers in the usually high yielding class RAAS this year.

CONTESTANTS IN THE 1995 CORN YIELD CONTEST
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CLASS: No-Till Irrigated Class

RANK	CLASS	ENTRANT NAME	CITY	STATE	HYBRID BRAND	NUMBER	YIELD
PENNSYLVANIA							
1	NTIR	Paul D Mast	Morgantown	PA	Pioneer	3116	191.1751
2	NTIR	Karl W Kroeck	Knoxville	PA	Pioneer	3915	98.5160

CONTESTANTS IN THE 1995 CORN YIELD CONTEST
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CLASS: A Ridge-Till Non-Irrigated Class

RANK	CLASS	ENTRANT NAME	CITY	STATE	HYBRID BRAND	NUMBER	YIELD
PENNSYLVANIA							
1	ARINI	William C Pilgrim	Fredonia	PA	Pioneer	1525	167.1812

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CLASS: Irrigated Class

RANK	CLASS	ENTRANT NAME	CITY	STATE	HYBRID BRAND	NUMBER	YIELD
PENNSYLVANIA							
1	IRRI	Cheryl Maximuck	Doylstown	PA	DK KAI B	DK621	221.8626
2	IRRI	Paul D Mast	Morgantown	PA	Pioneer	1394	208.6770
3	IRRI	Clarence A Keener Jr	Manheim	PA	Pioneer	3391	199.7185
4	IRRI	Karl W Kroeck	Knoxville	PA	Pioneer	1769	106.5210

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CLASS: A Non-Irrigated Class

RANK	CLASS	ENTRANT NAME	CITY	STATE	HYBRID BRAND	NUMBER	YIELD
PENNSYLVANIA							
1	A	Jack Coleman	Ronks	PA	Pioneer	3115	277.2888
2	A	Richard C Kreider	Lebanon	PA	Pioneer	3115	205.4957
3	A	Ernest W Mast	Morgantown	PA	Pioneer	3191	205.1988
	A	Clarence A Keener Jr	Manheim	PA	Pioneer	3391	202.1112
	A	Michael C Snyder	Northumberland	PA	Pioneer	3391	200.9287
	A	Daryl H Alger	Palmyra	PA	Pioneer	3391	195.2681
	A	Robert C Snyder Farms Inc	Northumberland	PA	Pioneer	3316	191.7550
	A	Matthew Maximuck	Doylstown	PA	DK KAI B	DK621	181.9713
	A	William N Wohler	Jersey Shore	PA	Northrup King	N7590	182.1029
	A	Lurman Farms Inc	Northumberland	PA	Pioneer	3316	179.1833
	A	D Richard Snyder	Montoursville	PA	Pioneer	3391	177.0967
	A	Shale Ridge Farm	Leitz	PA	DK KAI B	DK621	176.8158
	A	Dale A Whitnight	Danville	PA	Pioneer	3163	170.3779
	A	Dale A Whitnight	Danville	PA	Pioneer	3293	168.2616
	A	Carl Schmidt	Muncy	PA	Pioneer	3335	161.2679
	A	Matthew Maximuck	Doylstown	PA	Pioneer	3527	161.0320
	A	Ernest W Mast	Morgantown	PA	Pioneer	3391	152.3198
	A	Conner Farms	Danville	PA	Northrup King	N7118	150.5191
	A	D Richard Snyder	Lebanon	PA	Pioneer	3391	149.6551
	A	Daryl H Alger	Montoursville	PA	DK KAI B	DK616	149.1710
	A	Larry B Breech	Mifflinburg	PA	Pioneer	3391	147.5215
	A	Joseph J Matejka	Bloomsburg	PA	Brace	5650	142.1896
	A	D Richard Snyder	Doylstown	PA	HY H ST BRAND	111650A	130.1717
	A	Wertz Brothers	Montoursville	PA	Pioneer	3293	131.2125
	A	D Richard Snyder	Danville	PA	Pioneer	3293	133.1954
	A	Wertz Brothers	Danville	PA	Pioneer	3391	130.0862
	A	Larry B Breech	Bloomsburg	PA	Northrup King	N7118	103.2717
							89.1168

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PENNSYLVANIA							
1	ANINI	Lurman Farms Inc	Northumberland	PA	Pioneer	3316	208.8299
2	ANINI	William N Wohler	Jersey Shore	PA	Northrup King	N6872	201.6791
3	ANINI	Daryl H Alger	Palmyra	PA	Pioneer	3391	198.9137
	ANINI	Carl J Shaffer Farms	Mifflinville	PA	Pioneer	3391	195.5607
	ANINI	Richard Beaman	Lebanon	PA	Pioneer	3391	188.1677
	ANINI	D Richard Snyder	Montoursville	PA	Northrup King	N7590	180.3118
	ANINI	William N Wohler	Lebanon	PA	Pioneer	3391	179.5260
	ANINI	Walt Farms Inc	Sewistown	PA	Pioneer	3571	177.5953
	ANINI	Ernest W Mast	Morgantown	PA	Pioneer	3293	177.5558
	ANINI	Matthew Maximuck	Doylstown	PA	DK KAI B	DK616	175.1581
	ANINI	Matthew Maximuck	Doylstown	PA	DK KAI B	DK560	165.1197
	ANINI	Stanley J Cron	Danville	PA	Pioneer	3211	150.0261
	ANINI	Joseph J Matejka	Doylstown	PA	HY H ST BRAND	111774R	149.2510
	ANINI	Carl Schmidt	Muncy	PA	Pioneer	3391	131.0790

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soybeans. This program should provide broad spectrum control of broadleaves and grasses of low to moderate pressure. Sequential applications may be required. Liberty Link corn and soybeans are expected to have full registration by 1997 and 1998, respectively.

• Raptor (imazamox — AC299,263) is a POST soybean herbicide being developed by American Cyanamid which a shorter residual Pursuit. It provides good control of annual grasses and broadleaves especially giant foxtail, pigweed, and lambsquarters.

• Roundup Ready corn is still being refined and isn't expected to be marketed until 1998 or later. It will allow POST applications of Roundup.

• Alfalfa — The Pursuit alfalfa label includes some noteworthy additions. The first revision includes alfalfa interseeded with oats. Pursuit may be applied to alfalfa-oat mixtures to reduce oat growth or competition and to provide postemergence and residual control of annual weeds. The second label revision includes the use of Pursuit on alfalfa-grass mixtures. Pursuit may be applied to established alfalfa-grass mixtures for weed control and suppression of the perennial forage grass including orchardgrass, fescues, bromes, and timothy. Keep in mind the 30 day harvest restriction.

• Roundup has a preharvest label that allows application of up to 1 quart/acre prior to the last cutting in the crop rotation. It will mainly be used to control quackgrass.

Triazine Special Review Update

The Special Review of triazine herbicides continues by the EPA. The EPA received 80,000 letters in response to the review, of which 98.5 percent were favorable.

The EPA plans to conclude the process and have their own response by the fall of 1996. An early result of the review is the cancellation of the cyanazine-containing products, Bladex and Extrazine II.

DuPont will no longer sell cyanazine after 1999, yet dealers will be permitted to sell existing stocks until 2002, when these products will be completely phased out. During the next few years, maximum application rates of cyanazine will be reduced as follows: 1996 — 6.5 pounds ai/acre; 1997 — 5.0 pounds; 1998 — 3.0 pounds; 1999-2002 — 1.0 pound.

Weeds On The Rise

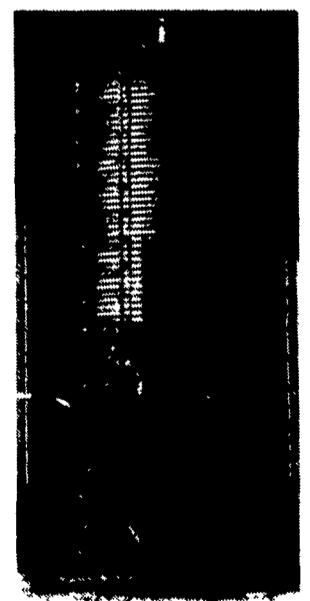
Several weeds are becoming more prevalent in conservation tillage systems. These include eastern black nightshade, burcucumber, giant ragweed, jimsonweed, shattercane, johnsongrass, cocklebur, pokeweed, and burdock.

Steps should be taken to prevent these emerging weed problems. Spot spraying small infestations, cleaning machinery between fields, and using IPM practices that include herbicide mixtures and crop rotations are a few examples of preventative actions.

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