

Protect Wheat Now from Threat of Winter Annuals

Wheat growers battling increased winter annual broadleaf pressure should turn to DuPont™ Harmony® Extra wheat herbicide to help boost wheat yields, crop quality and their bottom line return on investments this season.

Known for its excellent effectiveness on wild garlic, Harmony® Extra also provides outstanding control of more than 50 broadleaf weeds, including henbit and common chickweed. This broad-spectrum

weed control is especially advantageous, as area wheat growers have reported increased winter annual broadleaf pressure in their stands.

According to growers and weed specialists, winter annuals, including henbit and common chickweed, have been on the increase in wheat for the past several years. Reasons include the move to seed-herbicide systems such as Roundup Ready soybeans that do not rely on residual herbicides. Other factors include an increase in no-till acreage, and warm late-fall weather patterns.

This increase in winter annuals can cause trouble for wheat growers. University studies show that henbit and common chickweed can reduce potential wheat yields by up to 20 percent.¹

Gene and William Boswell, Lewisport, Ky., can attest to the value of using Harmony® Extra. The brothers have relied on the product for more than 15 years. They also depended on Harmony® Extra to help them earn first place in the 2001 University of Kentucky Wheat Production Contest in the no-till

category with a high-end yield of 106 bushels per acre.

"We used to lose money every season due to wild garlic dockage, but we haven't lost a cent at the elevator since Harmony® Extra came along," Gene Boswell explained. "It also does such an outstanding job on winter annuals that we don't worry about losing yield to henbit and common chickweed anymore, either."

Harmony® Extra offers other advantages, such as a wide application window, complete rotation

flexibility—including double-crop soybeans—and cleaner fields for the following crop.

For more information about Harmony® Extra, contact your local DuPont retailer or DuPont representative.

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Longtime Holstein Breeders Inducted Into Hall Of Fame

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the (Holstein) association is the people," Umble said after receiving the award.

In presenting the honor, Jane Pepple, state Holstein director from Chester County, called Umble a "humanitarian" whose life priorities are "God, community, family, and farm."

McMillan, a Master Farmer and artificial insemination (AI) industry leader from Perry Coun-

ty, joined Umble as a new Pennsylvania Holstein Hall of Fame inductee.

"If there is one word that describes Ray McMillan, that word is 'active,'" Pepple said in presenting the award.

McMillan, known by many as "Mr. Perry County," has been a member and officer in the Perry County Holstein Club, served as state director, and worked with finance, show, sale, and youth committees at the state level.

McMillan has organized commercial exhibits at the state convention and served numerous times as a national convention delegate.

He has served on the board of directors at several AI companies and is a director at Select Sire Power.

McMillan's list of achievements also include having played a key role in restarting the Perry County Fair 30 years ago.

He was named Master Farmer

in 1970.

McMillan's accomplishments as a Holstein breeder include sending a bull on the first export shipment to Holland — a bull that went on to become the top sire in that country. He also bred the first daughter of Kingpin to be classified Excellent.

McMillan is owner and manager of Ray McFarms. He and his wife Barbara have four children, 10 grandchildren, and one grandchild.

This year's Distinguished Young Breeder Award went to Ron and Karen Riedel from Corry, Warren County.

The Riedel's herd, Kay-Ron Holsteins, was established on a rented farm near Meadville in 1999. In the past four years they have grown the herd from 47 to 63 cows and increased the rolling herd average from 19,106 pounds of milk, 572 of fat, and 616 of

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Distinguished Young Holstein Breeder Award recipients are Karen and Ron Riedel of Warren County. Son Dylan joins them in photo.

First Testing Programs At Livestock Evaluation Center Slated To Begin

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's Livestock Evaluation Center is in the final stages of construction of a brand new, state-of-the-art facility.

This new facility will have ten times the space of the current one. Officials are currently accepting nominations for the first testing programs to be conducted at the new site.


A new gilt evaluation will now accompany the Boar Testing Program. Each producer nominating a pen, consisting of three boars, will be allowed to nominate one or two gilts to be tested. There are still a few pens available for the Boar Testing Program. Any boars, purebred or crossbred, born in January through February 9 are eligible for this program.

Officials are also accepting nominations for purebred rams born anytime between September 1, 2002 and February 28. These rams will be accepted for delivery April 8 and will be the first occupants of the brand new ram/bull barn at the new facility.

The Performance Tested Ram Sale, Invitational Ewe Sale and Sheep Producers Field Day, all scheduled August 2, will be the very first sale/field day to be held at the brand new facility.


This year will mark the first Boar goat testing program. This goat test will run concurrently with the ram testing program with delivery scheduled for April 22. These bucks will undergo a 63-day testing program and then the successful bucks also will be offered for sale August 2.

For more information or to nominate animals to any of Pennsylvania's performance testing programs, contact the Livestock Evaluation Center, 651 Fox Hollow Road, State College, PA 16803. Phone numbers (814) 238-2527 or (814) 865-5857. E-mail: geberly@state.pa.us.




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