SUMMER GRAINS FIELD WALK

Friday 12 February 2016 – GATTON RESEARCH STATION



Associated to GRDC project "Tactical agronomy for sorghum and maize in the Northern Region"

Program

9:00 am Breakfast upon arrival

9:30 am Welcome by Graeme Hammer, Director, QAAFI Centre for Plant Sciences

9:45 am Field walk

- Twin row vs solid maize configurations for high yields, D Rodriguez (QAAFI)
- High yielding sorghum (B George Jaeggli, DAF)
- Multi-cobbing maize for high yields in rainfed cropping (J Eyre and A Ferrante, QAAFI)
- Drought tolerant maize demo (J Eyre, QAAFI, and A Skearman, DAF)
- Stress wheels for sorghum and maize demos (C Farnsworth, QAAFI)
- Can on site rapid soil testing kits replace soil lab testing? (S Brown, QAAFI)
- Using drones to support on farm agronomic research (J McLean and S Brown, QAAFI)

1:00 pm **Lunch**

2:00 pm Keynote presentations

3:00 pm Moderated discussion with a panel of farmers







8:30 am
BREAKFAST

9:45 am FIELD WALK

1pm LUNCH

2pm KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS

- <u>Nitrogen efficient and heat</u> tolerance in maize by Dr JILL CAIRNS (CIMMYT)
- Progress in Tactical
 agronomy for sorghum in
 Queensland by DANIEL
 RODRIGUEZ (QAAFI)
- Maize hybrids and management for rainfed cropping in Queensland by JOSEPH EYRE (QAAFI)

3pm MODERATED PANEL DISCUSSION WITH FARMERS

FREE TRAVEL

A free bus will travel from 203 Tor Street, Toowoomba, to Gatton Research Station, departing 8.00 am sharp and returning at 4pm. If you would prefer to use your own transport, see map on next page. To reserve bus seats RSVP Daniel Rodriguez, d.rodriguez@uq.edu.au / Mob 0434075094

DIRECTIONS TO GATTON RESEARCH STATION



By Car from Brisbane

The Gatton Research Station is located on the Warrego Highway across the road from the Gatton Campus of the University of Queensland, approximately 5km outside the town of Gatton itself. From Brisbane, Take the Centenary Highway until it ends at the Ipswich Motorway and take the Ipswich/Toowoomba turnoff. Follow the Ipswich Motorway and take the Toowoomba turnoff, at Riverview, to the left before the flyover to get onto the Warrego Highway. Follow the Warrego Highway towards Gatton. The Gatton Research Station entrance is located on the right hand side of the Warrego Highway. Take the exit towards the Gatton Campus just before the overpass and just after you pass the McDonalds site to your right.

Take the overpass and turn first left on the other side of the highway and then right on the access road of the Gatton Research Station (direction towards Toowoomba). Follow the road (turning right) and we will be on the first set of buildings on the left hand side of the road. There is plenty of parking there. You will see the QAAFI banners.

By Car from Toowoomba

The Gatton Research Station is located on the Warrego Highway to the north of the Gatton Campus of the University of Queensland, approximately 5km outside the town of Gatton itself. From Toowoomba follow the Warrego Highway towards Brisbane for approximately 40km. Take the University of Queensland exit left before the McDonalds and immediately turn left on the access road to the Gatton Research Station (direction back towards Toowoomba). Follow the road (turning right) and we will be on the first set of buildings on the left hand side of the road. There is plenty of parking there. You will see the QAAFI banners.

Questions?

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