

FarmSmart Farming Systems Expo 2007



The FarmSmart Farming Systems Expo began in the summer of 2004. This event grew from the success of the FarmSmart Agricultural Conference and similar diagnostic days held at Ridgetown and Kemptville colleges. The purpose of these diagnostic days is to highlight current issues in crop and livestock production. This was done through creating and exploring “field issues” which provided participants with skills and knowledge needed to identify and solve problems as they become evident, or better yet, identify and correct issues before they become problems.

The FarmSmart Expo is a two day event, with the first day inviting farmers and agribusiness to the Elora Research Station of the University of Guelph. The participants are organized into small groups who rotate through a number of sessions that challenge them in problem solving current and obscure agronomic events that have been experienced in the field. The sessions also highlight new technologies and techniques. The second day we welcome Ontario Rural Youth to Elora. In 2007 over 200 kids descended on Elora for a fun and exciting day of tours and hands on demonstrations.

Thanks to all those who contributed to the success of the day , with a special mention for Peter Smith of the Plant Ag Dept. and Office of Research for his enthusiastic activities that kept on top of much of the site.

Mark your 2008 calendars for Thursday and Friday July 3rd and 4th when the FarmSmart Expo will return to the Elora Research Station. Consult our event website to keep current with this and other associated events: <http://www.uoguelph.ca/farmsmart>

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FarmSmart Expo Youth Program 2007 Attendees, August 29, 2007