2023 Corn Grain Trial

The 2023 growing season marked WNYCMA's eleventh year of organizing and facilitating corn grain trials and the highest participation yet with 42 corn varieties. What a year it was again! Some areas received very important, timely rains, some areas were super dry, and some areas received above normal rainfall. This appears to be the new norm for rainfall. There was a great deal of variation in growing degree days (GDU) between locations, averaging 5 to 8 degrees less than normal per day between June and August. Table 1 shows the soil type, GDU, and rainfall between 6/1/2023 and 10/1/2023 at each location, as reported by the Northeast Regional Climate Center, CLIMOD 2.

All six corn grain plots were planted mid to late May. The 42 varieties from 9 different seed companies ranged in day-length from 85 to 97 in the short/mid-season plots and 98 to 104 in the mid/long season plots. These plots were planted on various types of soil and the field fertility was managed according to a nutrient management plan developed by WNYCMA. The planters were set up on 30-inch rows, and 4 rows of each variety were planted on 5 of the 6 plots. Because of the plot length, 6 rows were planted in 1 plot. Table 1 displays planting dates and harvest information. Some of these plots had down corn and/or planter issues. On one plot, two varieties were accidently harvested before we arrived, so the analysis is based on the remaining plots for those two varieties.

Each variety was sampled and weighed in WNYCMA's grain cart. Moisture and test weight of each variety were determined using WNYCMA's DICKEY-john to calculate yield. Average yields for each variety are displayed in Table 2.

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Table 1: Plot Locations with Planting, Rainfall and Harvest Details

			Planting	Soil	GDU		Date	Rows	Length	Acres
Farm	Location	Season	Date	Type		Rainfall	Harvested	Harvested	Harvested	Harvested
Torrey Dairy	East			Muck	2147					
Farms, Inc	Barre	85-97	5/12/23			11.32"	11/7/23	4	980	.224
	South			Silt	2147					
CY Farms	Barre	85-97	5/17/23	Loam		11.32"	11/10/23	4	900	.207
Cripple				Gravelly	1743					
Creek	North			Loam						
Farms	Java	85-97	5/18/23			10.99"	11/20/23	6	440	.152
Field Craft				Loam	2155					
Farms, LLC	Webster	98-105	5/16/23			13.76"	11/13/23	4	750	.172
Hildene				Silt	1765					
Farms, Inc.	Pavilion	98-105	5/22/23	Loam		6.7"	11/11/23	4	750	.172
Verratti				Gravelly	2021					
Farms, LLC	Newfane	98-105	5/24/23	Loam		13.34"	11/13/23	4	690	.158

Table 2: Average Yield by Variety

Variety	Day Length	Moisture at Harvest (%)	Lbs/Acre Corrected to 15.5%	Test Weight	Bushels/Acre Corrected to 15.5%
1. Syngenta NK 8558-AA	85	20.1	10761	54.1	192.2
2. Dyna-Gro D26VC64RIB	86	19.3	10792	54.3	192.7
3. Brevant Seed B87D33AM	87	19.7	11754	54.5	209.9
4. Dyna-Gro D28VC33RIB	88	19.8	11262	54.1	201.1
5. Syngenta NK 9021-D	90	20.7	11503	53.8	205.4
6. Pioneer P90630Q	90	19.9	11245	54.4	200.8
10. Revere Revere 9108 VT2PRIB	91	21.4	11777	53.6	210.3
7. Brevant Seed B91W35AM	91	21.3	12758	53.1	227.8
8. Hubner H4061RC2P	91	20.3	12419	53.3	221.8
9. Kings Agriseed RT 41T19-D2	91	22.5	11674	54.6	208.5
11. Brevant Seed B92D25AM	92	21.6	12525	53.4	223.7
12. Hubner H9210D	92	21.6	11546	53	206.2
13. Syngenta NK 9231-AA	92	21.6	12110	52.9	216.2
14. Kings Agriseed RT 43T49-D2	93	22.1	11195	54.3	199.9
15. Dyna-Gro D34SS93RIB	94	24.5	12404	52.1	221.5
16. Pioneer P9489Q	94	22.5	12489	53.1	223
17. Croplan CP3490VT2PRIB	94	23.6	12036	51.9	214.9
18. Seedway SW	95	22.5	12128	52.4	216.6

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115. Hubner H0475P	104	24.7	12974	51.4	231.7
116. Kings Agriseed RT 55T79-D1	105	26.5	12617	50.4	225.3