



GIAV 2024 Crop Tour Sponsored by Ridley Agri Products

Wed 16 & Thurs 17 October

Outline

Members and colleagues are welcome to join us for our tour of grain growing regions in Victoria and the Riverina. Your attendance will boost your agronomic skills, generate first-hand knowledge of yield and production potential of wheat and barley crops in southern NSW and Victoria and provide valuable networking.

The GIAV has hosted this 2-day Crop Tour since 2016 and is now established as a credible source of pre-harvest yield estimates of wheat and barley crops in southeastern Australia and a valued networking event. A program suited to 30 to 60 participating crop scouts has been modeled on similar tours undertaken in the US and is suited to GIAV members, traders, millers, brokers, students and grain analysts.



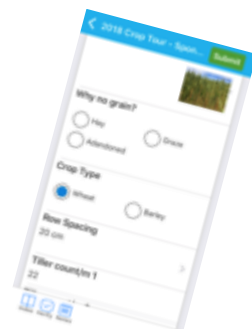
Logistics:

| Date | Activity | Time | Place |
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| Tuesday Oct 15 | Briefing dinner to learn crop assessments and meet your 2 assigned travel partners | 6:00 pm start time | Julie-Anna Inn 268 Napier St Bendigo |
| Wednesday Oct 16 | Travel from Bendigo via 1 of 4 routes inspecting crops | 6:30 -7:00 am departure time | Destinations are Horsham, Ouyen and Wagga Wagga |
| Thursday Oct 17 | Return to Bendigo inspecting crops on different routes | 6:30 -7:00 am departure time. Bendigo arrival time from 4 – 6:00 pm | Horsham, Ouyen or Wagga Wagga |
| | Optional review dinner | 7:30 pm start | Julie-Anna Inn 268 Napier St Bendigo |

- Surplus cars can be parked in Bendigo and collected on return on Thursday
- Participants can return home by car or train from Bendigo

Assessment methods

- A smart phone app is provided to all participants to record all the in-field data
- Using tools provided, crop scouts will count grain heads/m of row and grains/head
- Results from the specially developed app will be collated by the GIAV and results provided



Materials, fees and registration

- Training, accessing tools, maps of routes, wash kits and tour teams will be provided
- Boot hygiene protocol will be adopted and wash kits provided
- GIAV provides a meal for the briefing & reserves accommodation for participants to confirm and pay
- Registration cost will be confirmed but has been \$300 or \$250 for those who provide their car