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EFFECTS OF SUBSOILING & DEEP PK

Object: To study the effects of subsoiling and of incorporating a large dressing of PK in the subsoil on yields and nutrient uptakes of a sequence of crops - Rothamsted (R) Delharding and Woburn (W) Road Piece.

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The fifth year, s. barley.

For previous years see 78-81/R&W/CS/216.

Design: 3 randomised blocks of 6 plots.

Whole plot dimensions: 4.27 x 13.7.

Treatments:

TREATMNT	Machines and incorporation of extra P and K into the subsoil:
000 00	Not subsoiled, no P or K
F00 F0	Farm standard, unwinged, subsoiler, no P or K, autumn 1977 & autumn 1979
N00 N0	N.C.A.E. winged subsoiler, no P or K, autumn 1977 & autumn 1979
NPK NO	N.C.A.E. winged subsoiler, P and K applied autumn 1977, subsoiled only autumn 1979
W00 00	Wye double digger, no P or K, autumn 1977 only
WPK 00	Wye double digger, P and K applied, autumn 1977 only

- NOTES: (1) The rates of P and K were 1930 kg $P_2^{\ 0}_5$, as triple superphosphate and 460 kg $K_2^{\ 0}$ as muriate of potash.
 - (2) In autumn 1977 the Farm standard, unwinged, subsoiler was set to work at a depth of 38 cm at intervals of 50 cm Delharding (R) and at a depth of 50 cm at intervals of 70 cm Road Piece (W). In autumn 1979 it was set to work at a depth of 56 cm at intervals of 76 cm Delharding (R) and 142 cm Road Piece (W).
 - (3) In autumn 1977 the N.C.A.E. winged subsoiler had a single tine set to work at a depth of 40 cm at intervals of 60 cm on plots not given P and K and at alternate depths of 30 cm and 40 cm spaced 30 cm apart on plots given P and K; fertilizer was applied behind the subsoiling points. In autumn 1979 the winged subsoiler had three tines, the centre tine preceding the others, all set to work at a depth of 40 cm spaced 40 cm apart.
 - (4) The Wye double digger turned a furrow with a conventional plough to a depth of 23 cm and at the same time rotary cultivated the bottom of the furrow to a further depth of 15 cm. When applying P & K this was distributed ahead of the rotary cultivator.

Basal applications:-

Delharding (R): Manures: (20:10:10) at 560 kg. Weedkillers: Glyphosate at 1.4 kg in 250 l, dicamba with mecoprop and MCPA (as 'Poly-Farmon' at 5.0 l) in 250 l applied with the fungicide. Fungicide: Tridemorph at 0.53 kg.

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Road Piece (W): Manures: (20:10:10) at 590 kg. Weedkillers: Dicamba with mecoprop and MCPA (as 'Poly-Farmon' at 4.9 1) in 280 1.

Seed: Both sites: Triumph, dressed with ethirimol, sown at 160 kg.

Cultivations, etc.:Delharding (R): Glyphosate applied: 3 Nov, 1981. Ploughed: 27 Nov.
Spring-tine cultivated: 3 Apr, 1982. NPK applied, seed sown: 5 Apr.
'Poly-Farmon' and fungicide applied: 18 May. Combine harvested:

Road Piece (W): Ploughed: 13 Nov, 1981. NPK applied, heavy spring-tine cultivated: 25 Mar, 1982. Spring-tine cultivated with crumbler attached: 26 Mar. Seed sown: 27 Mar. 'Poly-Farmon' applied: 11 May. Combine harvested: 10 Aug. 82/R/CS/216 DELHARDING (R)

GRAIN TONNES/HECTARE

**** TABLES OF MEANS ****

TREATMNT 000 00 F00 F0 N00 N0 NPK N0 W00 00 WPK 00 MEAN 5.02 5.17 5.02 4.71 4.66 6.54 5.19

**** STANDARD ERRORS OF DIFFERENCES OF MEANS ****

TABLE TREATMNT

SED 0.568

**** STRATUM STANDARD ERRORS AND COEFFICIENTS OF VARIATION ****

STRATUM DF SE CV%

BLOCK.WP 10 0.695 13.4

GRAIN MEAN DM% 84.3

PLOT AREA HARVESTED 0.00234

82/W/CS/216 ROAD PIECE (W)

GRAIN TONNES/HECTARE

**** TABLES OF MEANS *****

TREATMNT 000 00 F00 F0 N00 N0 NPK N0 W00 00 WPK 00 MEAN 5.60 6.18 5.98 5.53 5.41 5.89 5.77

**** STANDARD ERRORS OF DIFFERENCES OF MEANS ****

TABLE TREATMNT

SED 0.327

***** STRATUM STANDARD ERRORS AND COEFFICIENTS OF VARIATION *****

STRATUM DF SE CV%

BLOCK.WP 10 0.401 7.0

GRAIN MEAN DM% 87.3

PLOT AREA HARVESTED 0.00251