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# 88/R/B/10

#### SPRING BARLEY

# HARVEST DATES AND MALTING QUALITY

Object: To investigate the effects of harvest date on yield and malting quality of spring barley - Bones Close.

Sponsor: J.F. Jenkyn.

Design: 4 randomised blocks of 5 plots.

Whole plot dimensions: 3.0 x 15.0.

#### Treatments:

HARVDATE Date of harvest:

NOGRN Green tissue virtually absent

NOGRN+10 Green tissue virtually absent + 10 days

OPT Optimum maturity

OPT+10 Optimum maturity + 10 days
OPT+20 Optimum maturity + 20 days

NOTE: Above stages were targets. Actual dates of harvest were 12 Aug, 1988, 18 Aug, 26 Aug, 5 Sept, 13 Sept.

Basal applications: Manures: 'Nitram' at 220 kg. Weedkillers: Mecoprop at 2.4 kg with clopyralid at 0.05 kg and bromoxynil at 0.24 kg in 200 l. Fungicides: Fenpropimorph at 0.75 kg in 200 l. Propiconazole at 0.12 kg and tridemorph at 0.25 kg in 200 l.

Seed: Triumph, dressed triadimenol and fuberidazole, sown at 160 kg.

Cultivations, etc.:- Cultivated by rotary digger and deep-tine cultivated with vibrating tines about 60 cm apart, 45 cm deep: 12 Dec, 1987. Heavy spring-tine cultivated, N applied, rotary harrowed, seed sown: 7 Mar, 1988. Weedkillers applied: 11 May. Fenpropimorph applied: 17 May. Remaining fungicides applied: 16 June. Previous crops: W. barley 1986, potatoes 1987.

NOTE: Malting quality was assessed on the grain.

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# GRAIN TONNES/HECTARE

\*\*\*\*\* Tables of means \*\*\*\*\*

# HARVDATE

NOGRN 8.70 NOGRN+10 8.57 OPT 8.17 OPT+10 7.86 7.81 OPT+20 Mean 8.22

\*\*\* Standard errors of differences of means \*\*\*

# HARVDATE

0.334

\*\*\*\*\* Stratum standard errors and coefficients of variation \*\*\*\*\*

d.f. CV% Stratum s.e.

12 0.472 5.7 BLOCK.WP

GRAIN MEAN DM% 79.7

PLOT AREA HARVESTED 0.00378