

# “Getting The Crop In – 2016” Hart Group - Cereal Variety Update

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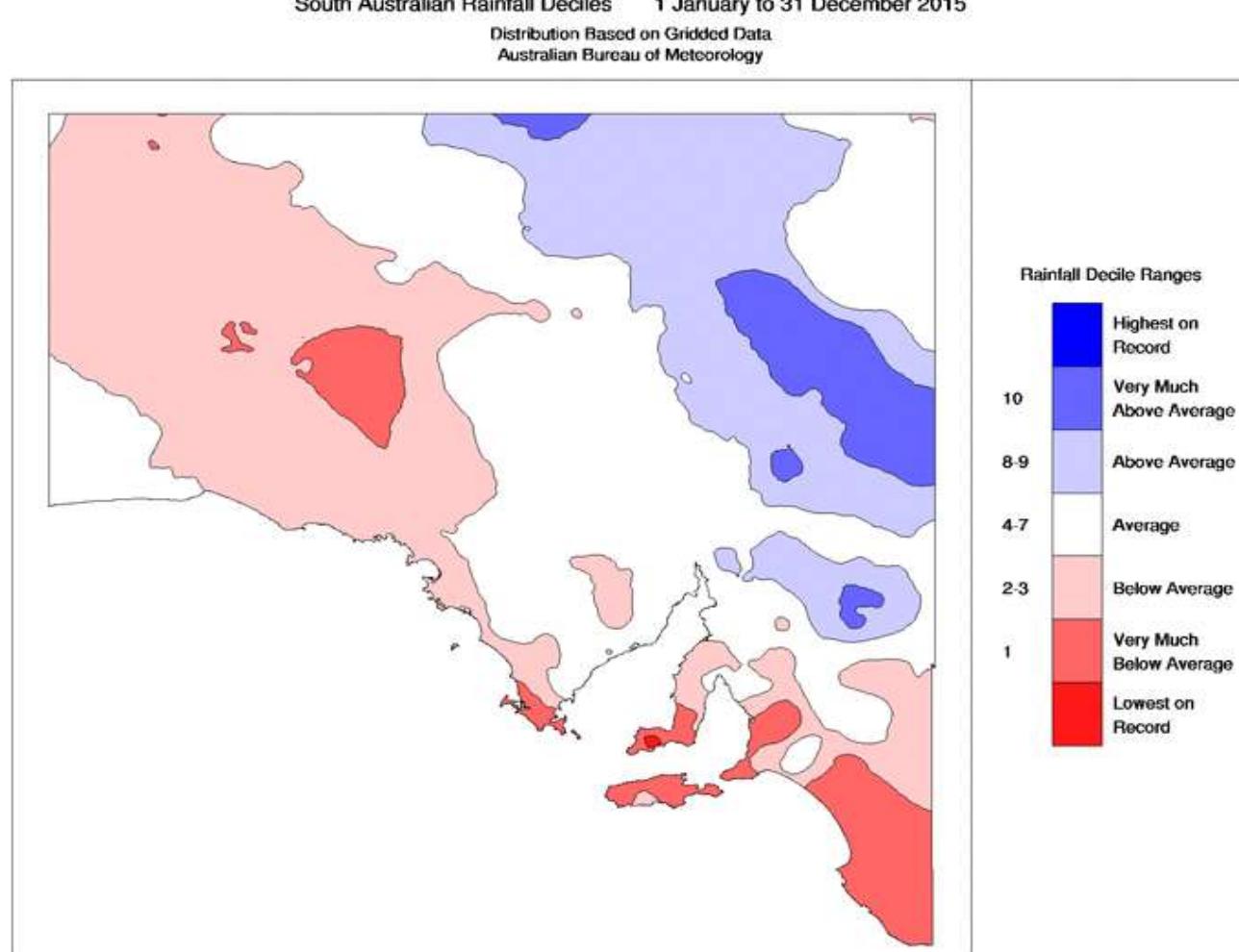
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- National Variety trial cereal overview
- What is new, how did they perform last year and what fit do they have?



# 2015 seasonal conditions

- Timely and good opening rains (generally)
- Wet and cold early winter
- Very dry and warm late winter and spring
- Low disease pressure overall
- Extensive frosts in eastern districts
- Overall favouring early and mid maturing varieties



## All NVT wheat sites, year by year yield and quality comparison in SA

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015 (26 sites)
<b>Yield (t/ha)</b>	<b>4.34</b>	<b>3.63</b>	<b>2.77</b>	<b>3.44</b>	<b>3.11</b>	<b>2.48 (0.75 – 6.15)</b>
<b>Screenings (%)</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>5.5 (1.0 – 14.5)</b>
<b>Test weight (kg/hl)</b>	<b>77.3</b>	<b>80.9</b>	<b>82.6</b>	<b>82.5</b>	<b>81.9</b>	<b>78.2 (72.1 – 84.8)</b>
<b>Protein (%)</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>11.3</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>12.8 (8.6 – 15.3)</b>

- 2 frosted/droughted trials in 2015 (USE-Keith, Murray Plains-Palmer)
- Greater spread in sites quality in 2015 esp. scr, TW

# “What’s New in wheats for SA”

## 2015

Hatchet <sup>CLPLUS<sup>A</sup></sup>	(AGT)
Beckom <sup>A</sup>	(AGT)
Scepter <sup>A</sup>	(AGT)
Cutlass <sup>A</sup>	(AGT)
DS Darwin <sup>A</sup>	(Dow AgroSc.)
DS Pascal <sup>A</sup>	(Dow AgroSc.)

## 2014

Cosmic <sup>A</sup>	(Intergrain)
DBA Aurora <sup>A</sup>	(Durum Breeding Aust)
SF Adagio <sup>A</sup>	(Seed Force)
SF Senerio <sup>A</sup>	(Seed Force)

## 2013

LR Trojan <sup>A</sup>	(LRPB)
Harper <sup>A</sup>	(Intergrain)
Manning <sup>A</sup>	(HRZ wheats)

## 2012

Grenade <sup>CLPlus<sup>A</sup></sup>	(AGT)
LR Phantom <sup>A</sup>	(LRPB)
Shield <sup>A</sup>	(AGT)

## 2011

LR Cobra <sup>A</sup>	(LRPB)
Corack <sup>A</sup>	(AGT)
Emu Rock <sup>A</sup>	(Intergrain)
Forrest <sup>A</sup>	(HRZ wheats)
Wallup <sup>A</sup>	(AGT)
LR Impala <sup>A</sup>	(LRPB)

# 2015 Wheat Releases

## **Hatchet CLPLUS<sup>A</sup> (AH)**

- Very early flowering, Axe derived, IMI tolerant, ex AGT
- Disease resis “like Axe” , improved CCN - MR but lower Yr - MRMS and Lr - **SVS**
- Grain quality like Axe
- **issues still YLS - S , Lr - SVS, stb - SVS, yield? Some diseases/tolerances yet to be rated ? Yields influenced by frost in NVT**

## **Beckom<sup>A</sup> (AH)**

- mid flowering, Anuello&Young derived, ex AGT
- CCN-R, Sr-MR, Yr-MRMS, Lr-**S**, YLS-MSS, stb-**SVS**
- mod grain quality, (small grain)
- **issues Lr , stb, grain size?**

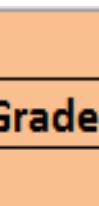
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## **DS Darwin<sup>A</sup>** (AH)

- early-mid flowering, ex Dow Seeds
- CCN - MSS, Sr - MR, Yr - MR, Lr - **SVS**, YLS - S, stb - **SVS**, BP - MR
- Grain quality good – limited evaluation in SA
- **issues CCN, Lr, stb, limited evaluation? moderate yields?**

## **DS Pascal<sup>A</sup>** (APW)

- late flowering (like Bolac), ex Dow Seeds
- Sr – **MS-S**, Yr - MR, Lr - MRMS, YLS - MS, stb – **MS-S**
- Grain quality good + PHS tolerance – limited evaluation in SA
- **issues Sr , limited evaluation, target SE of SA?**



CENTRAL REGION

	Grade
Scepter	AH
Mace	AH
Cosmick	AH
Beckom	AH
Cobra	AH
Emu Rock	AH
Scout	AH
Hatchet CLPlus	AH
Axe	AH
DS Darwin	AH
Gladius	AH
Kord CLPlus	AH
Shield	AH
Grenade CLPlus	AH
Yitpi	AH
Trojan	APW
Cutlass	APW
Corack	APW
Mean (t/ha)	
Trial Number	

# Scepter vs Mace – the fit ?

- 2015 first year in NVT in SA....
- All seed ‘sold out’ on release
- No detected physical quality issues, BP?
- Improved disease resistance eg Yr, stb but some unrated?

	Stem Rust Stripe	Leaf	Septoria tritici blotch	CCN Resistance	Yellow leaf spot	Powdery mildew	Root lesion nematodes <i>P. neglectus</i>	<i>P. thornei</i>	Crown rot	
Mace	MR	SVS	MSS	SVS	MRMS	MRMS	MSS	MS	MS	S
Scepter	MR	MSS	MSS	S	MRMS	MRMS	-	-	-	-

- Limited NVT yield data (2015 only) 7% av. improvement in SA mallee (much lower elsewhere av. 2% > Mace)
- Greater advantage in low yielding (<3tn/ha) environments?
- NVT MET data

SAGI predictions

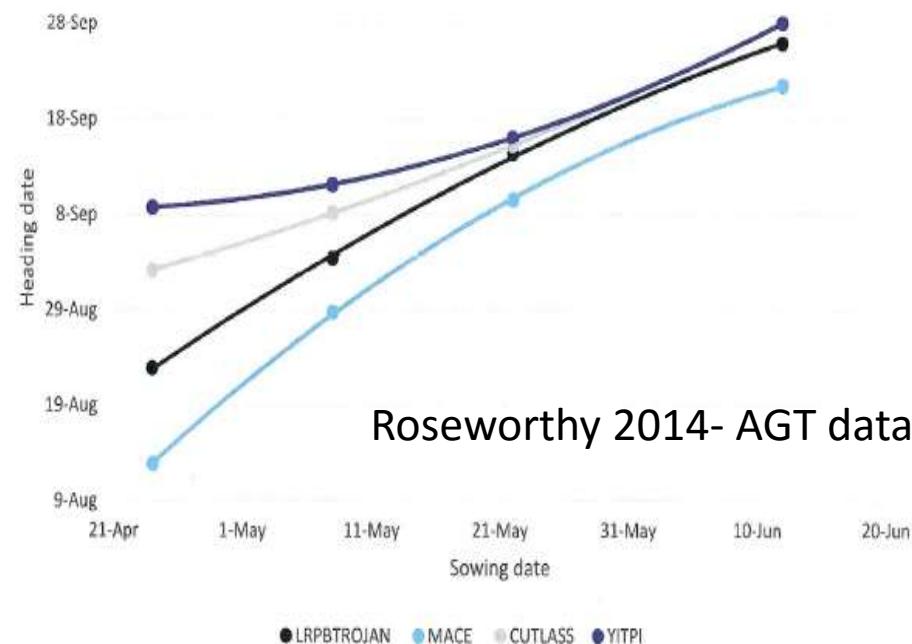
	1-2t/ha	2-3t/ha	3-4t/ha	4-5t/ha	5-6t/ha
Scepter	1.90	2.77	3.97	4.89	5.78
Mace	1.81	2.67	3.86	4.80	5.78
diff	6%	4%	3%	2%	0%

# Cutlass vs Yitpi, Trojan

- 2015 first year in NVT in SA....
- No detected physical quality issues, sprouting?
- Improved disease resistance eg Sr, Lr, YLS over Yitpi, Trojan better for Yr and Bp, but some unrated diseases?

	Rust			Septoria	CCN	Yellow	Black
	Stem	Stripe	Leaf	tritici blotch	Resistance	leaf spot	point †
Cutlass	R	MS	RMR	MSS	MR	MSS	MS
Trojan	MRMS	MR	MRMS	MSS	MS	MSS	MRMS
Yitpi	S	MRMS	S	MSS	MR	SVS	MS

- Flowering/heading more similar to Yitpi than Trojan
- Limited yield data, in Mid North 8% above Yitpi, 5% below Trojan
- **Suit mid April planting before Trojan and Mace ? (Hunt, AGT)**



A photograph showing a group of approximately ten people standing in a field of tall, green durum wheat ears. The wheat stalks are thick and have large, prominent green spikelets. The people are dressed in casual outdoor clothing like shirts, shorts, and hats, and are looking towards the right side of the frame. The background features a clear blue sky with a few wispy white clouds.

**What is leading among durum varieties?**

# 2015 and long term Durum Performance Yield and quality - SA NVT data



DBA-Aurora

Saintly

WID802

Yawa

Caparoi

Tamaroi

Hyperno

Tjilkuri

Site Mean t/ha

Trial Number



# Barley Varieties – What's NEW ??

- Latrobe – Intergrain,(now accred.malt)
  - Rosalind – Intergrain,(feed) short strawed
  - SpartacusCL – Intergrain,(pending malt 2018 ?)
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- **Compass UPDATE. Malt accred now march 2018 ?**

# 2015 and Long Term 2009 - 2015 varietal performance (%SM) in Central Region

	Central Region SA
Feed	
Rosalind	
Fathom	
Fleet	
Keel	
Oxford	
Malting & Food	
La Trobe	
Hindmarsh	
Charger	
Commander	
GrangeR	
Buloke	
ScopeCL	
Schooner	
Under Accredit.	
Compass	
SpartacusCL	
Number of trials	
Site Mean (t/ha)	

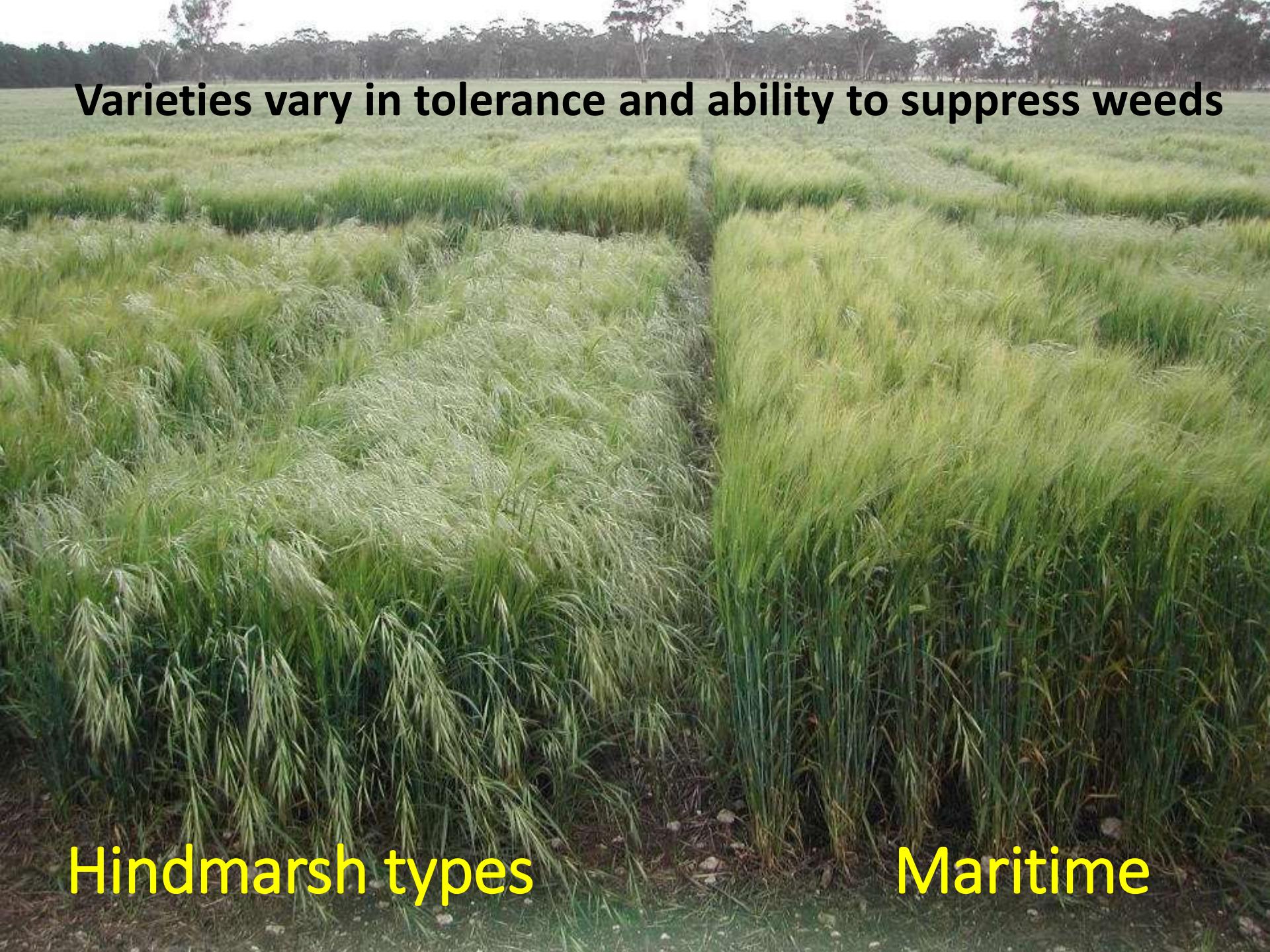
# SpartacusCL vs ScopeCL – the fit ?

- Spartacus 2 years in NVT....
- SpartacusCL agronomically like Latrobe/Hindmarsh +IMI tolerance
- SpartacusCL- better quality (Ret, Scr. Pending malt???) than Scope
- Improved disease resistance eg Lr, SFNB, CCN
- Greatly improved yield (15%?)
- Improved straw strength (like Hindmarsh) and head holding
- Low itch

## **ISSUES ?**

- Short coleoptile ?
- Poor early vigour ☹
- Poor weed competitiveness ☹
- Short strawed ?
- Malt accreditation – Mar 2018 ?
- **Still a place for ScopeCL on lighter soils and weedy situations**

**Varieties vary in tolerance and ability to suppress weeds**

A photograph of a field of tall, green grasses, likely ryegrass, growing in a grid pattern. A narrow, cleared path or track cuts through the grass, creating a visual comparison between two different varieties. The grass on the left side of the path is described as Hindmarsh types, while the grass on the right is described as Maritime.

Hindmarsh types

Maritime

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**QUESTIONS ?**