

Hart's 2020 Trial Results



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Aims

- Address knowledge gaps in the Australian export fodder industry
- Reduce barriers to adoption of new varieties and agronomic practices



How was it done?

Four sites across Australia

Nine varieties with varying maturities

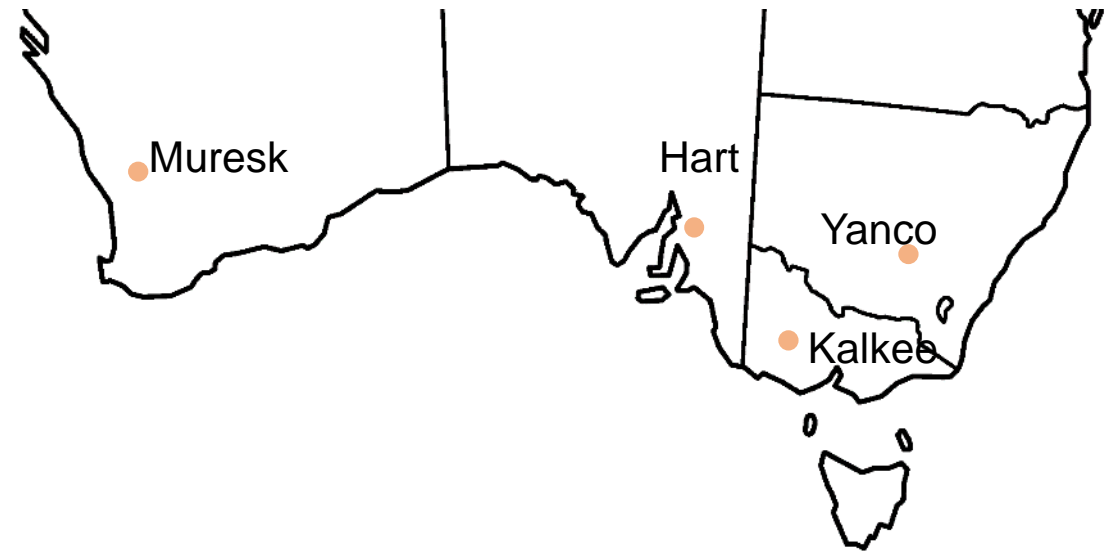
Two times of sowing (TOS)

Six rates of nitrogen (N) fertiliser

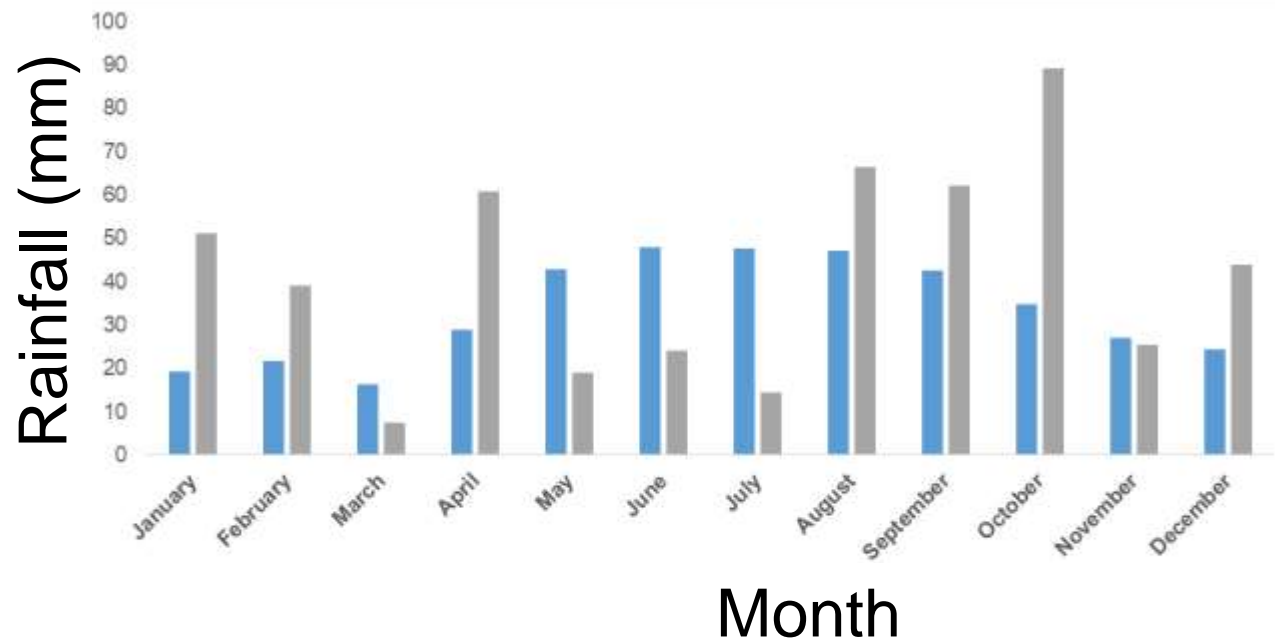
- 10, 30, 60, 90, 120, 150 kg N/ha

Assessments

- Hay yields and hay quality
- Grain yields



The trial and season at Hart



■ Long-term average

■ 2020

Varieties

Brusher, Carrolup, Durack, Koorabup, Mulgara, Williams, Wintaroo, Vasse*, Yallara

Time of sowing (TOS)

TOS 1: 6th May

TOS 2: 25th May

Rainfall

- Annual: 502 mm
- GSR: 335 mm
- Above average for most months
- Below average for most of Winter

What happened? Hay yields

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Vasse	2.3 ^a
Williams	2.9 ^b
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Mulgara	3.0 ^{bc}
Durack	3.1 ^{bcd}
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- In 2020, earlier sowing date translated into higher yields (+800 kg/ha in 2020)
- TOS 1 plots had access to rainfall close to seeding



What happened? Hay quality

<i>Variety</i>	<i>Hay yield (t/ha)</i>	<i>NDF %</i>
Vasse	2.3 ^a	53.81 ^g
Williams	2.9 ^b	50.23 ^{ef}
Koorabup	2.9 ^b	50.05 ^{def}
Mulgara	3.0 ^{bc}	49.29 ^{cde}
Durack	3.1 ^{bcd}	50.86 ^f
Wintaroo	3.2 ^{bcd}	48.92 ^{cd}
Yallara	3.2 ^{bcd}	47.37 ^a
Carrolup	3.4 ^{cd}	47.58 ^{ab}
Brusher	3.5 ^d	48.73 ^{bc}
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Vasse	15.3 ^a
Williams	21.21 ^b
Koorabup	23.52 ^c
Mulgara	23.86 ^c
Durack	21.42 ^b
Wintaroo	24.10 ^c
Yallara	25.88 ^d
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<i>N rate</i>	<i>Hay yield (t/ha)</i>	<i>Grain yield (t/ha)</i>
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30	3.20 ^b	2.35 ^b
60	3.10 ^b	2.46 ^c
90	3.15 ^b	2.54 ^d
120	3.16 ^b	2.59 ^{de}
150	3.10 ^b	2.61 ^e
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Grain yields

- 120 kg N/ha was sufficient for the highest grain yields

Conclusions

- Early May sowing resulted in higher hay yields (2019 and 2020)
- High yielding varieties at Hart have been Brusher, Carrolup, Yallara, Wintaroo and Durack
- Nitrogen applied at 30 kg N/ha was sufficient to produce the highest hay yield
- All varieties except Vasse met the export hay recommendations for NDF and WSC



Oat variety comparison trial – How does Kingbale stack up?

- Kingbale (GIA1701O) is the first IMI tolerant oat variety, released by InterGrain in 2019.
- A close derivative of Wintaroo, with similar agronomic & disease characteristics.



How was it done?



Trial performed over two years (2019 and 2020)

Three oat varieties

- Kingbale, Wintaroo and Yallara (2019)
- Kingbale, Wintaroo and Mulgara (2020)

Same management

- 2019: Sown May 30 | ~70 units N during the year
- 2020: Sown May 6 | ~70 units N during the year

Measurements

- Hay yield and quality (2019)
- Grain yield

What happened? Hay yields

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2019		
Kingbale	0.54 ^a	2.31 ^a
Wintaroo	0.59 ^a	2.60 ^a
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Crude Protein (CP)

- No differences between varieties. All >8% desired by market¹

¹. Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development: Agriculture and Food 2017. Oats: hay quality for export and domestic markets. Available: <https://www.agric.wa.gov.au/hay-production/oats-hay-quality-export-and-domestic-markets?nopaging=1>

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2020

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- Kingbale was the highest yielding, followed by Wintaroo and Mulgara.

Conclusions

- Kingbale hay yields were similar to Wintaroo across two seasons at Hart
- Kingbale grain yields matched or exceeded Wintaroo at Hart in 2019 and 2020
- Provides a new option for growers to include oats in the rotation where IMI residues are of concern
- Sentry® pre-emergent registration approved for 2021

