



Rotationally Raised – Making Small Grains Work

On August 17 Practical Farmers of Iowa will host its first small grains conference. This event, *Rotationally Raised – Making Small Grains Work*, will gather the top small grains growers, researchers and buyers from the region to share their expertise on making the most of these crops.

When:

11:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. Thursday August 17

Food & Refreshments:

Lunch: Attendees may begin going through the buffet lunch line at 11:20 a.m. The keynote speaker will begin at 11:45 a.m. while attendees eat.

Reception: A reception with lights snacks and beverages will follow the final session where farmers can interact with small grains buyers one-on-one to answer questions about small grains market requirements.

Where:

Quality Inn and Suites Conference Center
2601 E 13th St.
Ames, IA 50010
(515) 232-9260

Register:

The conference is free for PFI members and \$40 for non-members. Registration is required by **August 10, 2017** at: practicalfarmers.org/small-grains. Walk-in registrations will be accepted for an increased price of \$10 for PFI members and \$50 for non-members.

Aug. 17 Conference Schedule

	Registration Begins 10:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.	Lunch & Keynote
	Developing Small Grains Markets through a Growers Association • <i>Don Halcomb (KY)</i>
12:30 – 1:30 p.m.	Round I Sessions
	High Yielding Winter Wheat Production • <i>Don Halcomb (KY)</i>
	Small Grains in Feed Rations • <i>Pete Lammers (WI)</i>
	Putting Organic Crop Rotations to Work • <i>Erin Silva (WI)</i>
1:40 – 2:40 p.m.	Round II Sessions
	Oat Variety Selection, Nitrogen and Disease Management • <i>Mac Ehrhardt (MN)</i>
	Function and Benefits of Green Manures • <i>Matt Ruark (WI)</i>
	Growing Conventional Small Grains with Livestock • <i>Lee Brockmueller (SD)</i>

2:50 – 3:50 p.m.	Round III Sessions
	Winter Rye Variety Selection, Nitrogen and Disease Management • <i>Jochum Wiersma (MN)</i>
	Winter Wheat and Barley Selection, Nitrogen and Disease Management • <i>Joel Ransom (ND)</i>
	Managing for Food Grade Quality Organic Oats in Iowa • <i>Darren Fehr (IA)</i>
4 – 5 p.m.	Round IV Sessions
	Equipment Set Up for Small Grains and Green Manure Success • <i>Keith Kohler (IA)</i>
	Market Specifications and Contracts for Food Grade Small Grains • <i>Sam Raser (MN)</i>
	Business Planning and Management of Small Grains in Organic Transition • <i>Jonathan & Carolyn Olson (MN)</i>
5 – 6 p.m.	Reception
	Small Grains Buyers and Sellers Reception