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Driving Directions

Rockingham Fairgrounds
4808 S. Valley Pike, Harrisonburg, VA

From I-81, take exit 243. Turn left on Rt. 11 South.
The fairgrounds will be 1.5 miles ahead on right.

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965 Pleasant Valley Rd.
Harrisonburg, VA 22801



Harrisonburg Winter Conference February 4, 2014

This year's no-till conference will feature
Dave Brandt, no-till farmer of more than
1,200 acres in Fairfield County, Ohio.

Refining his no-till and cover cropping
strategies since the 70s, Dave has been
particularly successful reducing input
costs thanks to his cover crop mixes, and
innovative use of equipment. Virginia Tech
specialists and Virginia farmers will be on
hand discussing pest management, dealing
with high residue systems, and
forage production.



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Featured Speakers



Dave Brandt will share his experiences no-tilling in Fairfield County, Ohio. Using diverse cover crop mixes, Dave has managed to trim both his fertilizer and pesticide bills, while maintaining yields during harsh summers, through his constant drive to raise soil organic matter. Dave will highlight the equipment that he uses to establish cover crops in standing cash crops and precisely seed specific mixes.



Dr. Hillary Mehl is an assistant professor of plant pathology with Virginia Tech. Dr. Mehl works with growers and scientists in Virginia and the surrounding region to solve persistent and emerging plant disease problems impacting field crops. Her goal is to develop a program that identifies and implements novel, cost-effective, and environmentally sound strategies to prevent or control diseases in field crops.



Dr. Wade Thomason is an Extension grains specialist/associate professor at Virginia Tech. In this role, he provides statewide leadership for Extension and research programs in production and management of corn and small grains. He holds an M.S. in agronomy and Ph.D. in soil science from Oklahoma State University. His programs focus on profitable, grain-based cropping systems.

Plus

- Local farmers and agriculture consultants
- Trade show
- Certified Crop Adviser/Nutrient Management Planner certification credits
- Private Pesticide Applicator's Recertification
- Door Prizes

Want to exhibit at these events?

Contact: Matt Yancey

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February 4

- 9 a.m.** *No-tilling and Soil Improvement on my Ohio Farm* • Dave Brandt
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- 10:15 a.m.** Trade Show Break
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- 10:45 a.m.** **Innovative Cover Cropping**
- Cover Crops to Graze and Renovate Pastures* • Richard Clemmer
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- Better Cover Crop, Better Forage*
Anthony Beery
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- Managing Vetch to Supply Nitrogen*
Jeff Jennings
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- Multiple Species for Multiple Benefits*
Matt Yancey
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- 12 p.m.** Lunch and Trade Show Break
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- 1 p.m.** No-Till Challenge Concurrent Break-Out Sessions (pick one)
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- How to Get Good Results when Establishing Small-seeded Forages**
- Why are these Things so Hard to Establish?* • Matt Booher
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- Drill Set-up* • John Hoffman and others
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- Field Preparation & Weed Control*
Timmy French
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- High Residue Challenges in Row Cropping**
- Minimizing Issues with Crop Residue*
Dr. Wade Thomason
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- Dealing with Disease Pressure*
Dr. Hillary Mehl
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- 2 p.m.** *Innovations in No-Till Equipment*
Dave Brandt
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- 3 p.m.** Door Prizes
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- 3:15 p.m.** **Optional — Pesticide Recertification**