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WEALD GRANARY LTD

# Weald Granary

Newsletter: October 2012

## NEW POOL PAYMENT DATES

### Double Use Pool

8<sup>th</sup> October 2012

### Oct/Nov/Dec Pool

25<sup>th</sup> January 2013

### Long Pool

1<sup>st</sup> Payment – 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2012

2<sup>nd</sup> Payment – 14<sup>th</sup> March 2013

3<sup>rd</sup> Payment – 1<sup>st</sup> July 2013

Final Payment - 30<sup>th</sup> Sept 2013

## STAFF UPDATE

Full-time driver Dave Ulliott recently left the company. Dave has worked for Weald Granary for 5 years and we wish him well for the future. We are maintaining our full fleet with the support of our relief drivers.

## WEB ACCESS FEEDBACK

So far we have received positive feedback for the members' online access to results and weights. We have already highlighted a few changes and will hopefully see these updates in operation very soon. To access your intake information please go to the address below to log on. If you require any assistance please contact the store.

[www.wealdgranary.networkgrainuk.com](http://www.wealdgranary.networkgrainuk.com)

## NEW MEMBERS

HJ & JC Emery, Staplehurst, Kent.  
Salmans Ltd, Bidborough, Kent.

Attached is a list of Weald Granary members

AGM – 12<sup>th</sup> December 2012  
6.30pm at the Store  
Speaker: Allan Wilkinson,  
Head of Agriculture, HSBC.

## SPOT THE DIFFERENCE...

High DON & low specific weight vs. Low DON & high specific weight



## BAD NEWS / GOOD NEWS

### BAD:

The 2012 Harvest has produced the worst specific weights in the store's history; Industry commentators claim it's the worst for 40years. For the first time we have seen wheat with lower specific weights than Barley. The penalties likely to be incurred on delivery to end users will exceed the total store drying income this year, another first! Penalties are likely to be in the order of £1 to £2/t/point below the contract spec. For more detail on the effects lower specific weight and pinched grain has on nutritional value please refer to Elved Phillips' arable notes in the current edition of SE Farmer.

### GOOD:

Below for information are the 'average' specific weights of wheat delivered to store this harvest. Whilst this season's crop provides significant challenges for the industry, and to farmers in successfully delivering crops to market, it also presents significant blending and added value opportunities for the store, to the benefit of members.

Commodity	Total Delivered (t) (2012)	Specific Weight Avg (Kg/HL)	
		(2012)	(2011)
Feed Wheat	9590	67.05	75.85
Soft Wheat	3450	72.39	77.72
Cordiale	6530	73.31	79.61
Low Grade Milling	5100	73.59	79.45
Solstice	5774	72.43	79.24
Gallant	6447	72.39	79.71

In an effort to improve specific weight one member delivered a crow-bar in a load of wheat which disrupted intake for 3-4hrs!

## PLANT MODIFICATION

We saw an increase in the amount of chaff in deliveries of wheat this year as a result of the lighter crop. As well as cleaning on intake to help improve the presentation on outgoing loads we have designed and installed a dust/chaff extraction cyclone to J-Row elevator. This removes about a 1t Builder's bag full every 3 loads. The new unit is pictured with harvest student Ben Sykes aka Harry Potter.



*Early indicative pool prices are attached.*

## NOTE FROM ADM ERITH

All suppliers of oilseed have been asked to inform producers of the following: *'Please be aware that we have found very high levels of Benzo-alpha pyrene in processed oil in recent days. The source of this is normally from incoming seed that has been contaminated with a product containing high bitumen content, e.g. clay pigeons, coal, tar etc. We are currently investigating the source of the contamination.'*

