

MGA TIMES

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Corn Borer

Do keep an eye out for corn borer in your maturing maize crops. Whilst you cannot do anything to combat it for this harvest, there are post-harvest measures you can take to reduce the impact next year. Contact the office if you have found evidence of corn borer or are concerned.

Eyespot Fungicide, Opera

In early July we emailed out a technical note on maize eyespot. If you did not receive this, please email the office to be added to the email update list. **Note that the fungicide commonly used to combat eyespot, Opera, is no longer commercially available from distributors (following the loss of epoxiconazole). Its final use up date is 31st October 2021, which means that it is still permissible to use it on maize this season if you have stock left in your chemical stores**

Thank you to those of you that were able to attend the South West Trial Site Open Evening. We had an excellent turnout and some good discussion about the trials being run here this year. There will be another chance to see the site on 2nd September after the AGM. Trial results will be shared with members in February.

Dates for your diary

10th August, 8am—Norfolk trial site open breakfast, invite enclosed

11th August, 8am—Harvest webinar, kindly sponsored by Passion Ag, invite enclosed

2nd September—MGA AGM, Shepton Mallet, details to follow. Open to all members. AGM will be followed by a trip to the South West trial site for a last look before harvest

Please enquire via email or phone if you would like to attend any of the above as we will require numbers for the open breakfast and AGM and an email address for the webinar link.



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