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Mowhawk

Australian Hard (AH)

Description

LongReach Mowhawk, a NEW Quick Winter variety with similar growth habit and maturity to Longsword. Mowhawk has broad general adaption and is ideally suited to higher production areas and early-break scenarios. Mowhawk is quicker to heading and 10-15% higher yielding than the current benchmark winter variety, Illabo. It has a sowing window from late March through to late April (Optimal sowing date, before Anzac Day), in the Medium-High rainfall areas of WA. Mowhawk has an excellent all-round disease package, good diverse soil tolerances and an acceptable grain package. Mowhawk currently has a final AH classification in WA.

Variety Background

Mowhawk (Scepter/GX1438-04(DM02-25-SB02-167/2*Mace) was developed by Kevin Young, GXE Crop Research, and LongReach Plant Breeders. Mowhawk is well suited to WA with good abiotic stress tolerance to both Boron and Acid/ Aluminium toxicity from this broadly adapted parental material. First entered into LongReach yield trials in 2019 and WA NVT trials in 2022.

Mowhawk (LPB19-14343) is a unique "Quick Winter" type that fits between Illabo and Longsword in maturity that has shown to be well suited to warmer environments like WA. Tends to move closer to Longsword maturity further South, and slower towards Illabo maturity in the more Northern areas of the wheat belt. Mowhawk shows potential to be used as dual-purpose variety with the option of being grazed earlier in the growing season, suiting the mixed farming practices of Central-South to South Western coast in particular. Mowhawk has an excellent overall disease package, with broad resistance to all 3 rusts as well as good resistance to Yellow Leaf Spot (MRMSp) and Powdery Mildew (RMRp).

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Attributes

Stem Rust (Sr)	RMRp
Leaf Rust (Lr)	MRp
Stripe Rust (Yr)	RMRpWA
Yellow Spot (Yls)	MRMSp
Powdery Mildew (PM)	RMRpWA*
Boron	МТ
Aluminium	МТ
Acidity	MT-MI
EPR rate	\$4.00 (GST exc.)
Farmer to Farmer Trade	Allowed
Classification	АН

Preliminary ratings based on NVT ratings and *Powdery Mildew rating from LongReach disease pathologist screens, 13th Feb 2023.



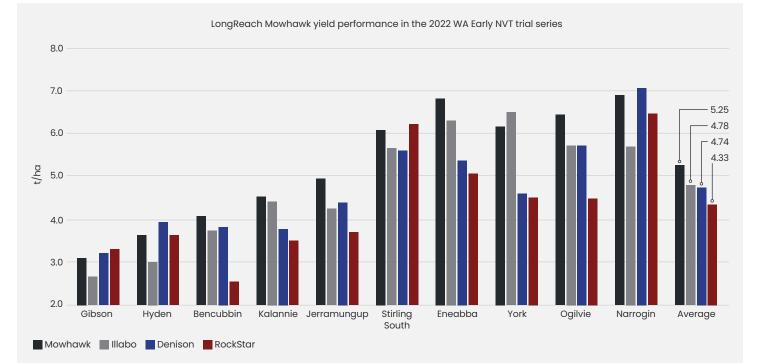
Early NVT trial, Hyden 2022, Kinsei (Left), Mowhawk (Middle), Magenta (right), showing the maturity difference of a "Quick Winter" against other Mid-slow springs.

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In the 2022 Early NVT trials, Mowhawk was the highest yielding of the quick winter types showing stable yields across ten trials. On average Mowhawk outperformed Illabo (10%), Denison (11%) and Mid-slow RockStar (20%) (1 Year Early NVT data). While Mowhawk's yield sweet spot is in the 3.5 t/ha plus environments it has shown it can still finish well in tougher environments. Mowhawk has shown it delivers stable yields in these early break trials when compared to Illabo and more commonly grown mid to slow spring varieties.

A high yielding well adapted "Quick Winter" wheat available for 2023 planting



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