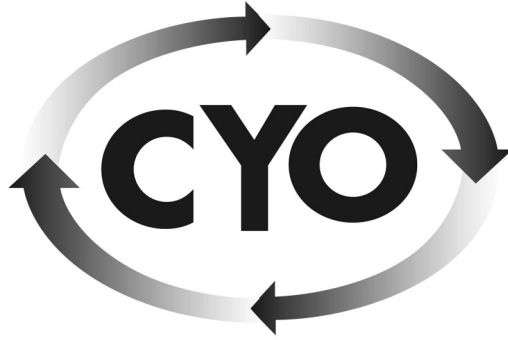


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THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

On behalf of everyone at CYO Seeds (Midlands) Ltd and Alphamix, we'd like to thank you all for your ongoing support and we hope to be servicing your needs for many years to come. We strive to offer you all the best service we can through professionalism, reliability, integrity and value for money. Through these values **CYO Seeds (Midlands) Ltd has grown to become the largest independent mobile seed processor in the country.** We'll be at *Cereals, the Royal Norfolk Show, the Midlands Machinery Show and LAMMA again, please do come and see us, have a bite to eat, a drink and a chat. All customers, old and new are very welcome.*

WHAT'S 2023 GOT IN STORE FOR US?

Considering the horrors of the long red hot summer last year, the final harvesting figures for autumn 2022 were surprisingly good in most cases and the quality wasn't too shabby either. However, some spring crops weren't so lucky! The rain came very timely in autumn 2022 to produce almost perfect establishment conditions. The result was that most of you got drilled up and the resulting crops on the whole look very good. Fingers crossed for a more average summer this year!

HIGH BOUGHT IN SEED PRICES MEAN MORE "FARM SAVED SEED (FSS)"

Bought in seed prices are extremely high at the moment due to current affairs creating high commodity prices and inflated input costs. It's no surprise that this has resulted in **farmers making the wise move towards doing more FSS** (some for the first time). They can then look forward to substantial cost savings, having greater control over seed quality and general flexibility of FSS. Also, don't forget, there's nothing stopping you farm saving from that same initial bought in seeds progeny for as long as you want to. *Bought in seed that's sold as a "new variety" is at least 10 generations (years) old when you buy it for the first time as "new seed". If you buy "new seed" of an older variety, then it could be as old as the hills...*

MICRO-NUTRIENTS - DOUBLE THE BENEFITS

Farmers using our micro-nutrients/bio-stimulants "Winter Crop Reformulated" (WCR) and/or "Manganese" will have double the benefits this year. As well as probably being the best products on the market, if you consider the cost of fertiliser at the moment they'll also be about the cheapest way of getting those essential elements onto your seed and into the crops. *For those of you that are yet to try them, you don't know what you're missing out on. Give us a call, what have you got to lose?*

WINTER CROP REFORMULATED (WCR) ON PULSES!

Initially, we thought that any benefits of applying our micro-nutrient/bio-stimulant WCR to pulses would be marginal if not detrimental, considering they're legumes which fix their own nitrogen through symbiotic nitrogen-fixing bacteria within the root nodules and all that... Because of this, we've never really pushed putting WCR on pulses. However, the reality must be somewhat different. Yes, pulses are legumes and yes they fix nitrogen via the root nodules but not until the nodules are well formed. So when you put **WCR on your pulses you'll get the same benefits as you do when you put it on your other seed species.** Plus it'll help get the seedling up and away as soon as possible and aid establishment, all of which will also help to get those nodules working more quickly. *The quicker the nodules get to work, the more nitrogen they can fix!! The above must have some merit as more and more farmers are asking us to put WCR on their beans, most of them not for the first time either.*

BOOKING FOR SPRING 2023

If you would like some seed processing and you want to plan ahead, give us a call and get something pencilled in, you can always change it closer to the time.

Alphamix

Alphamix, our sister company based at North Kilworth supplies concrete and screed to the surrounding area (25 mile radius).

Having 5 concrete/screed trucks we can now cope with just about any amount we're asked for, large or small. If you need any concrete or floor screed please give Alphamix a call on 01858 881385. website:- www.alphamix-uk.com

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COMPARATIVE SPECIES POPULARITY AUTUMNS 2018 - 2022

This is the seed processed by CYO and converted into hectares to show relative land use

2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Wheat 76%	Wheat 76%	Wheat 76%	Wheat 75%	Wheat 72%
Rape 10%	Rape 8%	Rape 6%	Rape 5%	Rape 7%
Barley 6%	Barley 8%	Barley 5%	Barley 7%	Barley 6%
Beans >6%	Beans 7%	Beans 11%	Beans 12%	Beans 14%
Oats >1%	Oats 1%	Oats 2%	Oats <1%	Oats >1%

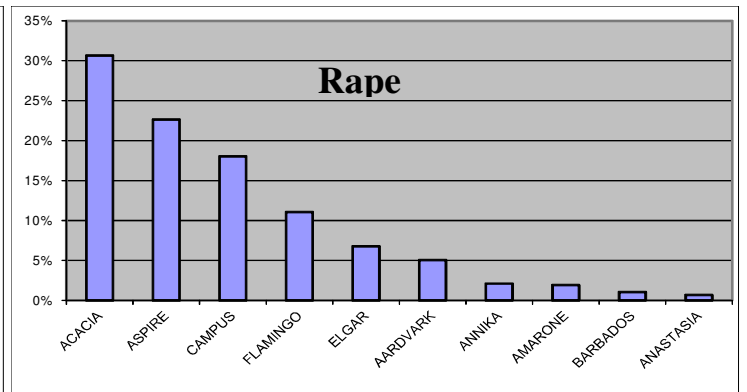
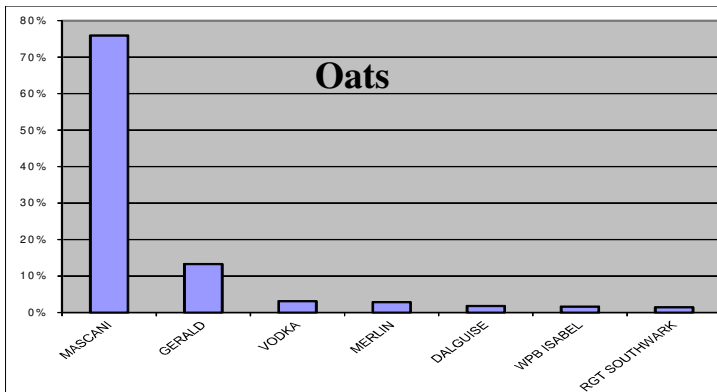
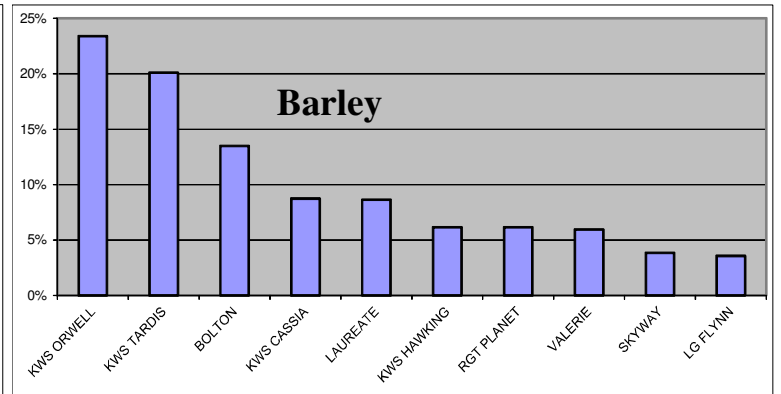
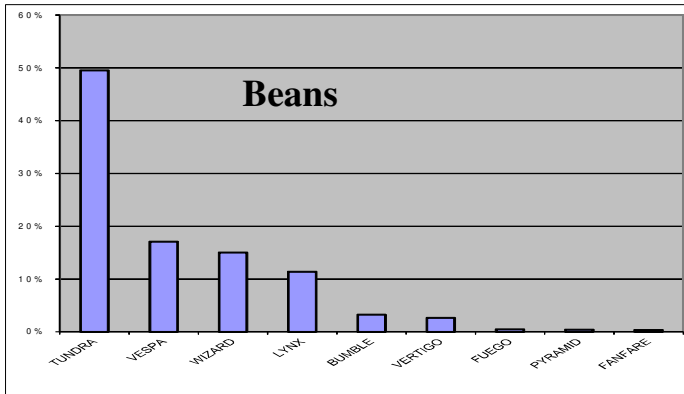
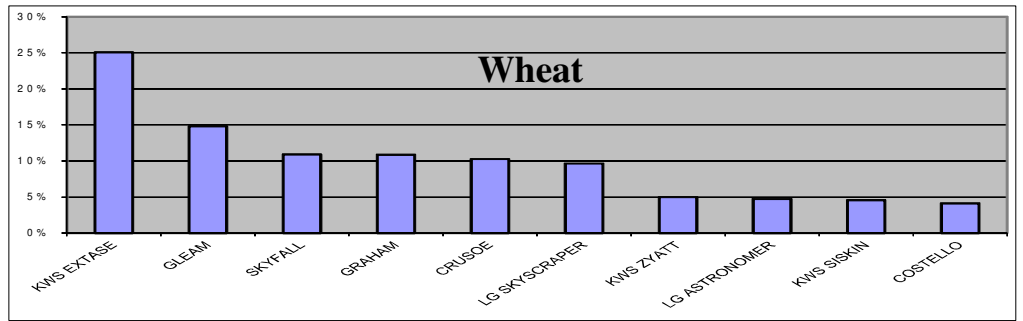
Nitrogen fertiliser prices are still high, so it's no surprise that we've processed proportionally more beans last Autumn which is shown in the data above. The interesting one is, even though we processed a lot more FSS in general last Autumn, the wheat area as a proportion has actually reduced for the third year running. Oil seed rape however, is also on the increase again as farmers seem to be getting back into the crop.

Looking at the graphs below you'll see that **KWS Extase wheat** has more than retained its top spot with a margin of 10% over **Gleam**. Interestingly, 7 out of the top 10 wheat's processed by us are in the same position as they were last year. **Campus rape** has lost its crown to **Acacia** and **Aspire** respectively. **Winter Barley** still has **KWS's Orwell** as the most popular variety but **KWS Tardis** and **Bolton** have come from nowhere into second and third places, next year, who knows!! The **Beans** area is dominated by **Tundra** again but **Vespa** has gained a lot of popularity this year and could be a challenger next Autumn. **Oats** are just oats, nothing much challenges the dominance of **Mascani**.

No prizes for figuring out that the main farmer focus is very much on yield potential, disease profile and overall quality.

Varietal Popularity

Autumn 2022: These graphs show the relative popularity of the main varieties that we processed last Autumn (including some early processed spring 2023 varieties).



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