

## POTATOES IN PRACTICE 2013

Potatoes in Practice in Dundee is becoming one of the must attend events in the potato calendar.

Another record year saw almost 900 visitors attracted to Balruddery Farm on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August and for the second year in a row, fine weather greeted the visitors.



The event hosts several different areas of interest. There is an indoor exhibition area, always busy when the rain is falling, but quiet in the good weather, a seminar tent where discussion on current research into seed is run throughout the day, and finally the main attraction, the field plots which showcases ongoing R & D and variety trials.

The Higgins trial plot looked in good order although all the trials had only been planted in mid June. The plots were a mixture of relatively new commercial varieties and numbered clones which are still going through the trials process.



As usual Olympus - our low acrylamide crisping variety, attracted a lot of attention, as did Zorba, a high yielding chipper, for which we have the UK marketing rights.

In addition a lot of interest was shown in HG-99-97.1 a parti-coloured variety which looked extremely attractive and a second clone, a daughter of Olympus, which looks to have very high yielding potential.



The Higgins team which attended were kept busy throughout the day discussing the new varieties and meeting seed growers to increase the opportunities for the Seed business this season and into the future.

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