## Missouri Soybean Association Announces Winners Of The 2012 Yield Contest

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nticipation grew as yields were calculated and harvest reports were verified to determine the outcome of this year's Missouri Soybean Association yield contest. Farmers utilized technology and invested in management practices that resulted in surprising yields, even when faced with extreme challenges during a record drought.

This year, farmers from across Missouri entered their soybeans in three categories: conventional, irrigated and no-till. A minimum 2 acre plot was harvested to determine yield. The harvest was supervised by a third-party official judge to ensure accuracy.

The winners: Irrigated, First place, CGC Farm (Hinkebein), Chaffee, Mo., Asgrow 4232 variety, and a yield of 92.629. Second place, Larry Compton, Lamar, Mo., with a Asgrow 3803 variety and a yield of 86.002. Third place, Sean Hackmann, Chamois, Mo., with a Asgrow 4005 variety, and a yield of 72.928.

No-Till, First place, Charles Hinkebein, Chaffee, Mo., with an Asgrow 4932 variety and a yield of 90.091. Second place, Sam Creed, Fairfax, Mo., with an Asgrow 3731 variety, and a yield of 78.763. Third place, Chris Smith, Fairfax, Mo., with a Pioneer 93Y60 variety and a yield of 78.264.

Conventional, First place, Steve Riegel, Wash-

ington, Mo., with a Pioneer 93Y72 variety and a yield of 81.640; second place, Hinkebein Farms, Chaffee, Mo., with a MorSoy 4629 variety and a yield of 79.869 and third place, Shannon Weber, St. Charles, Mo., with a Pioneer 9382 variety and a yield of 79.364.

"Each year we encourage farmers to try new things to raise their management level to increase their yields," said Dale R. Ludwig, executive director/CEO of the Missouri Soybean Association. "It is our hope that producers across the state learn from one another on ways to increase their yields each year."

The Missouri Soybean Association congratulates the winners and thanks all who participated in this year's contest.

Full results of the 2012 Yield Contest including the top 25 winners and details related to the winners management practices will be featured in the January issue of the Missouri Soybean Farmer.

Bean samples were collected with harvest reports and currently being tested for oil and protein content. Winners of this contest will be announced in the March issue of the Missouri Soybean Farmer.

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