

# AGGRAND® NEWS

## AGGRAND® Generates Outstanding Corn Yield

Few enterprises are as time-sensitive as farming. But for farmer Richard Ward of Seaman, Ohio, a combination of AGGRAND® 4-3-3 and AGGRAND Natural Liquid Lime yielded his best crop ever, even though he planted late.

Ward has been using AGGRAND 4-3-3 and AGGRAND Natural Liquid Lime for seven years on a variety of crops with great success.

This year, because of other obligations, Ward wasn't able to plant his corn until the third week of June. On top of that, he planted the corn in a field that had been used to graze cattle and hadn't been fertilized in the 47 years he has lived on the farm.

To make up lost time, Ward sprayed on a popular herbicide to defoliate the field. Three days later, he "no-tilled" the soil with a corn blender.

Immediately after planting (Bio-G) the corn, it began to rain and Ward couldn't spray the AGGRAND 4-3-3/Liquid Lime mix as he wanted. High temperatures (100 degrees F) followed the rain in the southern Ohio area.

During the hot spell, Ward decided to use a higher concentrate of the AGGRAND 4-3-3 and AGGRAND Natural Liquid Lime because he knew he was only



*AGGRAND user Richard Ward of Seaman, Ohio displays the large, plump ears of corn he grew this past summer using AGGRAND Natural Fertilizer.*

going to be able to fertilize once. Using a 200-gallon spray tank mixed with 4 gallons of 4-3-3 and 4 gallons of liquid lime he fertilized the 5 acres of corn.

"I only needed to fertilize once," Ward said. "The corn never stopped growing."



*AGGRAND Natural Fertilizer produced large, full and plump ears of corn for Richard Ward, Seaman, Ohio.*

By the Fourth of July the corn was knee high. By the third week of July, Ward's corn was chest high and by the first week of August the corn was over his head. By the first and second week in September the corn was tasselling and was matured (denting) by the third to fourth week of September.

"These cobs are as big around as soda pop cans and 12 to 14 inches long," Ward said. "The yield was great because there were so many kernels on each cob."

An added benefit to the exceptional corn crop was the stimulation of dormant clover that grew between the rows. Although Ward didn't remember clover having been there, it seemed a combination of the AGGRAND 4-3-3/liquid lime mix, the right amount of rain and the higher than normal temperatures stimulated clover growth. Ward was happy about the clover because he planned to harvest half of the corn and leave the remaining corn and clover standing to feed the deer for hunting season.

"The AGGRAND products have been nothing less than fantastic," Ward said.

Prior to his introduction to AGGRAND natural fertilizer,

Ward used high analysis chemicals (19-19-19, 6-24-24). Facing rapidly rising prices of chemical fertilizers and fuel, lower yields and the amount of time spent in the field tending to the crops, AGGRAND becomes a "no brainer," Ward said.

"I've been farming my entire life and I've had my ups and downs like everybody else," Ward said. "But I'll tell you I have never experienced the consistently impressive results I've had with AGGRAND 4-3-3 and AGGRAND Natural Liquid Lime during these past six or seven years. It exceeds all of my expectations."

