

# South-Central Farm Club Notes

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## Compost Tea/Fish fertilizer

- Beneficial saw good results, but time to do it
- Fish -- can be very expensive
- Tea - aerobic/anaerobic
  - Extract as inoculant
  - Extractor at 25 gal/min --- liquid --- sprayed on direct to soil

## Dandelions/thistles

- Found good results with surface application of CaSO<sub>4</sub> --- suppressed germination

## Wild oats

- Cut for silage 3 years --- eliminate

## How to intercrop 2 to 3 years

- Mature at same time
- 75% of normal rate
- pea/oats
- oats/faba beans
- triticale/fabe beans
- peas/barely

## Missing

- Equipment
- Time
- Moisture
- Research on weeds, teas, biology

Noble blade -- front ½" than wing tips

## Control weeds

## Feeding the soils

- Can be related
- concepts/education/understanding
  - research/speakers at seminars
- Green mulch farming
  - Reduced tillage
  - Conservation tillage
    - Noble blade
    - Crimper roller
  - Machinery selection
  - Marketing

- Research
- Making contacts
- Internet
- Equipment
  - Reinvention
- Organic - Future Health

## Additional Resources

- **Green Manures** <http://www.pivotandgrow.com/resources/production/green-manures/green-manure-tool-kit/>
- **Intercropping** <http://www.pivotandgrow.com/resources/production/intercropping/>
- **Organic No-till**
  - <https://www.manitobacooperator.ca/crops/can-organic-no-till-work-in-the-field/>
  - <https://www.dal.ca/faculty/agriculture/oacc/en-home/about/about-oacc/documents/newspaper-articles/newsarticles-2012/newsarticle-2012-notill.html>