

**Trial Name** 2025 Aberdeen Italian Ryegrass RUST Trial  
**Site Location:** Aberdeen, NSW  
**Nearest Town:** Aberdeen  
**Site Operator:** Clydsdale Turf (Dan Clydsdale)  
**Species:** Italian Ryegrass - RUST  
**Trial Start and End:** 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025 – 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025.  
**Report Date:** 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2026



### Seasonal Summary/Comments

The site was a well-prepared seed bed with a full moisture profile. After sowing, ten days of rainfall ensured a successful establishment, although a little waterlogged. May saw 18 days of rainfall leading into a very wet winter. Two significant flood events occurred in May and again in August. The August event saw some flood water over the ryegrass trial although only for a few hours. Broadleaf weeds were controlled in June and thereafter the trial remained free of weeds.

After the flood in August, rainfall events were insignificant and growth was lower than expected through spring and leading to the finish of the trial in December.

### Monthly Rainfall (mm)

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2025	92	56	107	47	134	14	57	134	20	21	27	34	743

Rainfall data supplied by trial operator, measured at the site.

### Results – Rust resistance – 9 = no rust, 0 = plant death due to rust.

	26-Nov-25	16-Dec-25	Mean Score
Mazzoletti	8.0 a	7.3 a	7.6 a
Manta	8.0 a	7.0 a	7.5 ab
Inverno	8.0 a	6.5 ab	7.3 ac
Appeal	8.0 a	6.5 ab	7.3 ac
Frenzy LE	8.0 a	6.3 ac	7.1 ad
Dardevyl	7.8 ab	6.3 ac	7.0 ad
Tempo	8.0 a	5.8 bd	6.9 bd
RGT Exotyl	8.0 a	5.5 bd	6.8 ce
Arise	8.0 a	5.3 ce	6.6 ce
Thumpa	8.0 a	5.3 ce	6.6 ce
RGT Accelerate 2	8.0 a	5.0 df	6.5 de
Amass	7.5 ac	4.8 df	6.1 ef
Bermagui	7.2 bc	5.0 df	6.1 ef
Meroa	7.3 bc	4.3 ef	5.8 f
Combat	7.0 c	4.0 f	5.5 f
<b>Trial mean</b>	7.8	5.6	6.7
<b>Significance</b>	0.000	0.000	0.000
<b>LSD (5%)</b>	0.51	1.04	0.68
<b>%CV</b>	4.59	12.95	7.18

Measurement method: rows were scored 0-9 with 9 = no rust and 0 = complete plant death due to disease

Results with overlapping letter ranges are not significantly different from each other  
 Trial was scored in September, October, November and December however rust was only observed in the final two months