



Groundswell

1 & 2 JULY 2026

NIAB STAND SEMINAR PROGRAMME 2026

Join Niab at Groundswell this July and explore the practical tools, trusted evidence, and crop innovation that UK regen farmers need to stay productive, profitable, and resilient.

Visit our stand for live demonstrations from Niab specialists on alternative crops, grazing leys, weed control, nitrogen management, crop genetics, reduced tillage, rotations, and whole-system sustainability.

New for 2026, our marquee will host a series of 15-minute technical seminars, offering practical insights into key regenerative topics in agriculture and horticulture.

Wednesday 1st July

- 9:30 *The future of crop protection in a regenerative landscape – Dr Aoife O’Driscoll*
- 11:10 *Unboxed grassweeds? If you’re exhausted by escalating herbicide costs and still drowning under difficult weeds, then let’s step back and look for a new path – Keith Truett*
- 11:40 *Management of apple canker – Scott Raffle*
- 13:10 *Soil health: Developing a holistic biological soil health test for horticulture – Dr Flora O’Brien*
- 13:40 *The Childerley experiment – direct drill vs deep non-inversion – Dr Nathan Morris and Dr Stephanie Swarbreck*
- 15:15 *Developing alternative crops – the future for legumes and cereals – Dr Phil Howell and Dr Toby Barber*

Thursday 2nd July

- 10:10 *Capturing carbon and diversifying crop rotations – Dr Lydia Smith and Jasmine Toole*
- 10:40 *Supporting the development of a decision tree for nutrient management following cover crops – Dr Nathan Morris and Dr Joe Martlew*
- 12:10 *Developing alternative crops – the future for legumes and cereals – Dr Phil Howell*
- 12:40 *Variety blends – Dr Aoife O’Driscoll*
- 14:10 *Understanding the impact of landscape complexity on pest control and pollination: ecosystem services to strawberry crops – Dr Sarah Arnold*
- 14:40 *Understanding integrated weed management – Sam Bousfield*

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