



# COTTON TRENDS

March 2009

## 58th NC Cotton Producers Assn. Annual Meeting Held

The NC Cotton Producers Assn. held its 58th Annual Meeting on Jan. 13 in Rocky Mount.

In addition to NCCPA business, presentations by three NC State Cotton Team members were highlights of the 2009 meeting. Keith Edmisten, Jack Bacheler, and Alan York reported on the results of their 2008 research on cotton production practices and insect and weed control.



Joe Martin of Northampton Co. was the winner of a bale of cotton provided by the Carolina Cotton Growers Co-op. Virginia cotton grower Carlton Butler walked away with a \$500 U.S. Savings Bond.

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**Cotton Trends**  
For Members of The North Carolina Cotton Producers Association, Inc.

## Cotton Assessment Referendum Vote Set for April 20

Every six years since 1957, NC cotton producers have voted "yes" to keep the North Carolina cotton industry strong and healthy. It initially happened 52 years ago when growers voted 9 to 1 in favor of a NC Legislature-authorized referendum that established the North Carolina Cotton Promotion Association.



While the association changed its name to the North Carolina Cotton Producers Assn. in 2002, it still is dedi-

cated to improving the welfare of cotton growers in the Tar Heel State.

Over the years, much has been done to help achieve gains through research, efficiency in production and marketing, quality improvement, public relations, and legislative policies that impact the cotton industry in the state. It does so, working with various departments in NC State's CALS, the NC Cooperative

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**Vote 'YES' to Extend the Cotton Assessment**

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## Keep Cotton Profitable in NC by Supporting the Cotton Producers Assn.

Extension Service, and the NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

From the current assessment of 80 cents per bale, grower dues are paid to accrue membership benefits from the NCCPA, Southern Cotton Growers, and National Cotton Council. This year—2009—NC's cotton growers will be asked to extend the authorized collection of up to \$1 per bale. A "yes" vote will extend the assessment paid by growers to continue support of the association for another six years.

Voting will take place this year on Monday, April 20th at your local FSA office. All cotton growers are encouraged to show their support for the NCCPA and keep cotton growing profitable in the state to 2015.



*Members of the 2009 NCCPA Executive Committee present at the 58th Annual Meeting included (L to R): Taylor Slade, Ronnie Bureson, Billy Carter, David Grant, Allen McLaurin, David Dunlow, and Gary Respass.*

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