

# **GALOA**

## **LF55-8283**

**PARENTAGE : LF49-1902 x CO-290**

### **HABITAT & GENERAL APPEARANCE**

Slightly recumbent when young, becoming erect later. A free trashing variety. Flowers sparsely.

### **LEAF**

- **Blade** Erect canopy with thin leaves. Leaves green in colour.
- **Sheath** Light hairs present on the sheath with light wax coating. Greenish yellow with orange patches on the inside of the sheath.
- **Auricle** Well developed on both the sides of the sheath. Short and blunt; arises below the collar.
- **Ligule** The shape of the ligule is horizontal.

### **STALK**

- **Internode** Medium thickness internodes. Yellowish in colour when exposed, turns greenish yellow on exposure. Shape of the internode is tomescent, medium hardness, light wax in the internode.
- **Growth ring** Greenish yellow in colour when unexposed, turns reddish/greenish on exposure. Swollen in nature.
- **Root band** Greenish yellow when unexposed, change to reddish on exposure. Root primordia are present in rows and are prominent. Root primordia are swollen with brown centres.
- **Bud** Round; arises above the sheath scar and below the growth ring. The gempore is at the apex.

### **SUMMARY**

A distinct feature of Galoa is the shape of the internode that is slightly swollen in the middle. Galoa is a mid season maturing variety recommended for planting on salt affected soils or saline soils. The best harvesting time for Galoa would be from start of August onwards.