

Ohio Fruit ICM News

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****Due to limited enrollment the Strawberry IPM Workshop scheduled for November 14 in Columbus has been cancelled****

As growers wrap up this year and start planning for next year, I thought this was a good time to remind you of an excellent resource out there from Penn State Cooperative Extension. They have two videos available in either DVD or VHS, and each has both Spanish and English narrations.

Pruning & Training Apple Trees:

Basic Principles
New Strategies to Improve Fruit
Quality in Modern Plantings

Apple Harvest Training:

Appropriate Clothing
Preparation for the day
Ladder Safety
Handling Skills
Spot Picking and Hauling

Cost is \$35.00 each or both for \$55.00 plus shipping

To order, visit <http://frec.cas.psu.edu/pdf/PruningHarvestOrderForm.pdf>, or contact Penn State Cooperative Extension—Adams County, 670 Old Harrisburg Rd, Ste 204, Gettysburg, PA 17325 Phone: 717-334-6271; Fax: 717-334-0166

Strawberry Growers to Meet in New Orleans

The North American Strawberry Growers Association (NASGA) will hold its annual meeting and conference in New Orleans from January 19-21, 2009. The meeting will be held at the historic Hotel Monteleone and will feature 2 days of speaker presentations,

panels and round table discussions followed by a one day tour of local berry farms in the Ponchatoula district.

NASGA will be bringing in strawberry experts from growing regions at home and abroad. Feature Speakers include Philip Lieten a well known agronomist who works with Fresh Forward in the Netherlands. Philip Lieten will discuss new trends and developments in strawberry production in Europe. During the last decade there has been a consistent increase in programmed “outofseason” strawberry production in European countries such as Belgium, The Netherlands, UK, Ireland, Germany, Switzerland and the northern part of France and Italy. Philip has worked with a variety of systems including the use of various substrates and protected structures.

Other international speakers include Ray Daniels of Sunray Strawberries, Queensland Australia. Ray will be sharing traditional growing techniques in Australia as well as new trends in the strawberry industry. Ray is a world traveller who has utilized the knowledge gained for the betterment of his operation.

There will be several themes covered by leading strawberry experts. Bielinski Santos from the University of Florida and Dell Christianson from Minnesota will discuss fertility issues and recommendations for strawberries. John Lewis from Nova Scotia will discuss results of his black root rot studies. Other strawberry disease issues will be covered by Barbara Smith from USDA in Mississippi and Natalia Peres from the University of Florida.

Other popular topics to be covered include weed management, fumigation alternatives, growth regulators and variety updates. A grower showcase will also be featured to help introduce the strawberry industry in Louisiana. A trade show, poster session and silent auction are also being organized.

The farm tour will focus on the Ponchatoula strawberry growing region just outside New Orleans. This is a developing area with several progressive growers experimenting with many of the latest growing techniques.

The NASGA meeting in New Orleans offers many highlights. The speaker sessions, the farm tour, the interaction with fellow growers and researchers and the majestic Hotel Monteleone located just off Bourbon street in the French Quarter of New Orleans make this a fabulous opportunity for learning as well as a chance to visit historic New Orleans.

For more information on registering for the conference or making hotel reservations visit www.nasga.org or contact Kevin Schooley at info@nasga.org or 613-258-4587.

New Plant Disease Factsheet Series

The Ohio State University Department of Plant Pathology is pleased to announce the release of a new series of fact sheets designed to provide an overview of key concepts in plant pathology or the study of plant disease including the reasons why plants get sick,

how to control disease and/or manage healthy plants.

The fact sheets listed below can be found at OSU Extension's "Ohioline" web site: <http://ohioline.osu.edu> . Search for "Plant Disease Series" to find these and other plant pathology fact sheets.

Introduction to Plant Disease Series

[Plants Get Sick Too! An Introduction to Plant Diseases, PP401.01](#) (pdf only)

[Diagnosing Sick Plants, PP401.02](#) (pdf only)

[20 Questions on Plant Diagnosis, PP401.03](#) (pdf only)

[Keeping Plants Healthy: An Overview of Integrated Plant Health Management, PP401.04](#) (pdf only)

[Viral Diseases of Plants, PP401.05](#) (pdf only)

[Bacterial Diseases of Plants, PP401.06](#) (pdf only)

[Fungal and Fungal-like Diseases of Plants, PP401.07](#) (pdf only)

[Nematode Diseases of Plants, PP401.08](#) (pdf only)

[Parasitic Higher Plants, PP401.09](#) (pdf only)

Production Guides Now Online

The Strawberry Production Guide is located here:

<http://ohioline.osu.edu/b926/>

The full pdf document is located here:

<http://ohioline.osu.edu/b926/pdf/b926.pdf>

The Grape Production Guide is located here:

<http://ohioline.osu.edu/b919/>

The full pdf document is located here:

<http://ohioline.osu.edu/b919/pdf/b919.pdf>

Calendar - Newly added in ***Bold***

Nov. 6-8, Southeast Strawberry Expo, Hilton Charlotte University Place, Charlotte, NC. Includes Strawberry Plasticulture Workshop for New Growers, farm tour, educational sessions, and trade show. For more information, email info@ncstrawberry.com

CANCELLED - November 14, Strawberry IPM Workshop, Waterman Farm, Columbus Ohio. For more information contact Shawn Wright (wright.705@osu.edu) 740-289-2071 Ext 120.

Nov. 13-14, OSU 45th Annual Income Tax School, Fremont. For more information <http://aede.osu.edu/programs/TaxSchool>.

Nov. 17-18 OSU 45th Annual Income Tax School, Columbus. For more information <http://aede.osu.edu/programs/TaxSchool>.

Nov. 18-19, OSU 45th Annual Income Tax School, Kent. For more information
<http://aede.osu.edu/programs/TaxSchool>.

Nov. 20, OSU 45th Annual Income Tax School, Ashtabula. For more information visit
<http://aede.osu.edu/programs/TaxSchool>.

Nov. 24-25, OSU 45th Annual Income Tax School, Dayton. For more information visit
<http://aede.osu.edu/programs/TaxSchool>.

Dec. 2-3, OSU 45th Annual Income Tax School, Ashland. For more information visit
<http://aede.osu.edu/programs/TaxSchool>.

Dec. 4-5, OSU 45th Annual Income Tax School, Lima. For more information visit
<http://aede.osu.edu/programs/TaxSchool>.

Dec 8-10, North American Raspberry & Blackberry Conference. DeVos Place
Convention Center, Grand Rapids, MI, as part of the Great Lakes Expo. For more
information, email info@raspberryblackberry.com.

Dec. 9-10, OSU 45th Annual Income Tax School, Chillicothe. For more information
<http://aede.osu.edu/programs/TaxSchool>.

Dec. 9-11, Great Lakes Fruit, Vegetable and Farm Market Expo, DeVos Place
Convention Center, Grand Rapids, <http://www.glexpo.com/>.

Dec. 11-12, OSU 45th Annual Income Tax School, Zanesville. For more information
<http://aede.osu.edu/programs/TaxSchool>.

Dec. 11-12, Fruit Irrigation Systems Workshop. Grand Rapids MI. Registration for the
workshop will be limited to the first 100 registrants. Register at www.glexpo.com. Cost
of the two-day workshop is \$100 (\$110 for those who do not also register for the EXPO).
If space is available (limited to first 100), registration will be offered for \$125 during the
EXPO and at the door when the workshop starts on Thursday. For more information on
the workshop, contact Dr. Ron Perry at 517-355-5191, ext. 1433.

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Jan. 5-6, Kentucky Fruit & Vegetable Conference & Trade Show, Embassy Suites Hotel,
Lexington, KY. For more information contact John Strang at phone 859-257-5685 or
email: jstrang@uky.edu

Jan. 7-9, Illinois Specialty Crop and Agritourism Conference, Crowne Plaza Hotel and
Convention Center, Springfield Ill. For more information phone 309-557-2107.

January 12-14, OPGMA Congress, The Nia Center at the Kalahari Resort
Sandusky, Ohio

Jan 19-21, Indiana Horticultural Congress, Adam's Mark Hotel, Indianapolis.

Jan 19-21 North American Strawberry Growers Association Annual Meeting, Hotel Monteleone, New Orleans. For more information see www.NASGA.org.

Jan. 21, Pesticide Applicator Workshop, Dayton Convention Center. Ohio State University Extension and the Department of Agriculture will offer several workshops throughout the state. The workshops are designed to help applicators receive the state required five hours of training in one day, said Joanne Kick-Raack, Ohio State University Extension's state program director of the Pesticide Education Program. Registration information for the recertification workshops will be available on the Pesticide Education Program Web site (<http://pested.osu.edu>) beginning Oct. 1. Applicators can also receive more information by calling the program at (614) 292-4070.

Feb. 3-5, Mid-Atlantic Fruit and Vegetable Convention, Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, Hershey, PA. For more information contact William Troxell at 717-694-3596 or visit www.mafvc.org.

Feb. 10, Pesticide Applicator Workshop, Nia Conference Center, Kalahari Resort, Sandusky. Ohio State University Extension and the Department of Agriculture will offer several workshops throughout the state. The workshops are designed to help applicators receive the state required five hours of training in one day, said Joanne Kick-Raack, Ohio State University Extension's state program director of the Pesticide Education Program. Registration information for the recertification workshops will be available on the Pesticide Education Program Web site (<http://pested.osu.edu>) beginning Oct. 1. Applicators can also receive more information by calling the program at (614) 292-4070.

Feb. 10-12, 2009. Empire State Fruit and Vegetable EXPO and Becker Forum, Liverpool Holiday Inn and OnCenter, Syracuse, NY.

Feb. 16-17, Ohio Grape & Wine Conference. Shisler Conference Center, Wooster. Marketing will focus on customer service with nationally renowned speakers. Featured speakers include Dr. Tony Wolf, Professor of Viticulture at Virginia Tech University, and Mark Chien, winegrape Extension Educator from Penn State University. Featured speakers in enology will include Dr. Christian Butzke, Professor of Enology at Purdue University and Ellie Butz, Enologist, Vintage Winery Consultants

Feb. 25, 2009 Pesticide Applicator Workshop, Columbus Convention Center. Ohio State University Extension and the Department of Agriculture will offer several workshops throughout the state. The workshops are designed to help applicators receive the state required five hours of training in one day, said Joanne Kick-Raack, Ohio State University Extension's state program director of the Pesticide Education Program. Registration information for the recertification workshops will be available on the Pesticide Education Program Web site (<http://pested.osu.edu>) beginning Oct. 1. Applicators can also receive more information by calling the program at (614) 292-4070.

March 11, 2009 Pesticide Applicator Workshop, John S. Knight Center, Akron. Ohio State University Extension and the Department of Agriculture will offer several workshops throughout the state. The workshops are designed to help applicators receive the state required five hours of training in one day, said Joanne Kick-Raack, Ohio State University Extension's state program director of the Pesticide Education Program. Registration information for the recertification workshops will be available on the Pesticide Education Program Web site (<http://pested.osu.edu>) beginning Oct. 1. Applicators can also receive more information by calling the program at (614) 292-4070.

June 22-26, 2009: The 10th International Rubus and Ribes Symposium. Zlatibor, Serbia.

NOTE: Disclaimer - This publication may contain pesticide recommendations that are subject to change at any time. These recommendations are provided only as a guide. It is always the pesticide applicator's responsibility, by law, to read and follow all current label directions for the specific pesticide being used. Due to constantly changing labels and product registrations, some of the recommendations given in this writing may no longer be legal by the time you read them. If any information in these recommendations disagrees with the label, the recommendation must be disregarded. No endorsement is intended for products mentioned, nor is criticism meant for products not mentioned. The author and Ohio State University Extension assume no liability resulting from the use of these recommendations.

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