PESTICIDE CERTIFICATION, CREDITS AND MEETINGS

Have you remembered to renew your pesticide certification? It must be done by December 31, 2022! It is needed for Diazinon, Bravo (any chlorothalonil), Intrepid or Invertid, Actara, Zeus and Fanfare, so make sure you have it. If you need help, I CAN HELP YOU! Give me a call- Marty 508-265-6921.

Every grower is now audited by MDAR (Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources) every 3 years. Again, make sure you have 12 credits stacked up for your next recertification. Audit period in 2022 ran from July 2019 through December 2022.

Here are the dates for the 2023 UMass Cranberry Station meetings we have planned. Look for more information and registration forms in future newsletters. You will need to register for any of these meetings. For more information email or call Robyn (rmhardy@umass.edu 413-800-7470) or Marty (martys@umass.edu 508-265-6921).

January: UMass Cranberry Management Update $30 per session/$50 for both Wednesday, January 25, 2023, 7:30-11:00 AM, 2 credits
Thursday, January 26, 2023, 7:30-11:00 AM, 2 credits
Must register, on Zoom/registration form is on page 5

April:  UMass Cranberry Pesticide Safety, $50
Tuesday, April 25, 2023, 7:30-NOON, 4 credits
Must register, Hybrid-both Zoom and in-person options (in-person will be in the new meeting room at the Cranberry Station)

Bogside Workshops are usually offered through the spring and summer, 1 or 2 credits each, are free, and will be held both in person and on Zoom. Look for more information in upcoming newsletters.

Station News
By Hilary Sandler, Director

2022 HARVEST UPDATE

Many thanks to Makepeace and Cranberry Growers’ Service for knocking off and loading our harvest in 2022. We rely on many people’s generosity and kindness throughout the year to accomplish many important tasks, including harvest. With sincere thanks, we are grateful for the great relationships we have with you.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

We are nearing completion of the new building and the lab renovation. The Lab Building is open for business (we have a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy; TCO). Staff are in the process of “re-populating” their labs and offices. Please call us on our cell phones or email us if you have a question or concern. Our full Certificate of Occupancy should be issued sometime in January.

NEWSLETTER SIGN UP

It is that is that time a year again to sign up to continue receiving the Cranberry Station newsletter. Please see sign up form on page 3.

EQUIPMENT NEEDED

We are in the market for a used mini-excavator and a dump truck. If you have something that might work for us, please contact Hilary 413-800-6531 or Rick 413-230-1865.
HELP WANTED

We have an opening for a seasonal worker to help on the farm doing bog work and facility upkeep to start in the early spring. If interested, please contact Hilary 413-800-6531.

OPEN HOUSE POSTPONED!

Due to construction delays the Open House has been postponed to February or March. There will be guided tours throughout the afternoon and refreshments will be served. We are excited to showcase our new facilities! Tours will include our new meeting room and offices spaces located in the new building and the renovated lower and upper floors of the Lab Building. Be on the lookout for your formal invitation arriving in the mail. We hope you can join us!

Best wishes for a happy holiday season to all.

Newsletter Signup Form

By Robyn Hardy

Please return the form below

TO STAY ON THE MAILING LIST, YOU MUST RENEW EVERY YEAR!

NAME: ____________________________________________________________

COMPANY: _______________________________________________________

ADDRESS: _______________________________________________________

TOWN: ___________________ STATE: _____ ZIP: ______________

PHONE: ____________________________

EMAIL: ____________________________

CHECK ONE:

[ ] Owner  [ ] Employee  [ ] Researcher  [ ] Consultant  [ ] Industry  [ ] Private Sector

CHOOSE ONE:

EMAIL ______

  • Sent via email: Annual subscription is FREE for everyone

POSTAL DELIVERY ______

  • For Massachusetts growers, cranberry researchers and IPM consultants: Annual subscription is FREE for postal delivery
  • For out-of-state growers, industry personnel and private sector: Annual subscription is $15 for postal delivery. Please include a check payable to UMass and return to: UMass Cranberry Station, 1 State Bog Road, East Wareham, MA 02538.
Planned Agenda for January 2023 Meeting
By Marty Sylvia

UMASS CRANBERRY MANAGEMENT UPDATE, ONLINE ZOOM MEETING

Our January 2023 UMass Cranberry Management Update meeting has been scheduled for two morning Zoom sessions, Wednesday, January 25, 2023, and Thursday, January 27, 2023. You will need to register online for each, and you will need to answer poll questions during the 8:00-10:00 AM sessions to be awarded pesticide credits. Payment will be processed separately-cost will be $30/each day or discount of $50 for both days. To attend, see page 4 for payment form.

DAY ONE: WEDNESDAY, January 25, 2023, 7:30-11:00 AM (2 credits $30)
7:30 Online check in starts
7:40 Zoom Review - Marty Sylvia
7:50 Station Update – Hilary Sandler
8:00 INSECTS – Anne Averill and Marty Sylvia
Vaccinium Scale – 2022 Outbreak, Fanfare for Weevil
Low Input Future – What to expect – Leafhopper, Black Bug and more!
8:50 Resistance Management Review – Marty Sylvia and Katie Ghantous
9:15 DISEASES – Data Driven Cranberry Fruit Rot Management - Leela Uppala
5 Minute Stretch Break
10:05 New Cultivar Evaluation Update – Giverson Mupambi
10:20 Update on Vaccinium CAP project and Cranberry Breeding Priorities Survey– Amaya Atucha, UWI and Massimi Iorizzo, NCSU
10:50 Climate Change Update – Hilary Sandler

DAY TWO: THURSDAY, January 26, 2023, 7:30-11:00 AM (2 credits $30)
7:30 Online check in starts
7:40 Practice Polls – Marty Sylvia
7:50 Virtual Tour of New Station – Hilary Sandler
8:00 Pesticide and MDAR Updates – Marty Sylvia
8:15 WEEDS – Hilary Sandler and Katie Ghantous
Poison Ivy, Review the labels – Hilary Sandler
Weed Research and Herbicide Update– Katie Ghantous
9:00 DRONES as a new application technology
Giverson – Intro and Use as a Scouting Tool
Dave Millar – Accuracy, Steve Ward – Grower Perspective
5 Minute Stretch Break
10:05 Irrigation and Nitrogen Fertilizer - Peter Jeranyama
10:20 Growth Stages and Spring Frost Forecasting - Sandeep Bhatti
10:30 USDA Projects:
Nutrient Losses from Late Water and Harvest Floods – Adrian Wiegman
Soil Nitrogen Mineralization Rates in Cranberry Bogs - Molly Welsh
Meeting Payment Form

TO ATTEND THE 2023 UMASS CRANBERRY MANAGEMENT UPDATE MEETING:

Please complete the information below. Once your form and payment are received, a confirmation email will be sent to each person with a link to register online. All meeting attendees MUST pay to attend whether receiving credits or not. If you have any questions, contact Robyn Hardy at 413-800-7470 or rmhardy@umass.edu.

NAME:______________________________________________________________

COMPANY:________________________________________________________

PHONE:__________________________EMAIL(required):________________________

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:

NAME:_______________________________________________________________________

PHONE:__________________________EMAIL(required):________________________

NAME:_______________________________________________________________________

PHONE:__________________________EMAIL(required):________________________

NAME:_______________________________________________________________________

PHONE:__________________________EMAIL(required):________________________

NAME:_______________________________________________________________________

PHONE:__________________________EMAIL(required):________________________

PLEASE CHECK:

_____ DAY ONE: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 ($30) _____ number attending

_____ DAY TWO: Thursday, January 26, 2023 ($30) _____ number attending

_____ BOTH DAYS: ($50) _____ number attending

Please make checks payable to UMass and return payment by 1/20/23 to UMass Cranberry Station, 1 State Bog Road, East Wareham, MA 02538.
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