



Cranberry Station Newsletter

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UMASS CRANBERRY STATION

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<http://www.umass.edu/cranberry>

Beginner's Cranberry School Cranberry Station Library Wednesday, March 19, 2008 8 AM - 12:00 NOON

This meeting is targeting new growers who need to learn the basic of cranberry growing. There is a **\$10.00** fee for this class. Please call 508-295-2212 ext. 10 or 12 to registry.

MEETING SCHEDULE

- 8:00 Cranberry IPM – Hilary Sandler
- 8:30 Cranberry Diseases – Frank Caruso
- 9:00 Cranberry Nutrition – C. DeMoranville
- 9:30 Cranberry Weeds – Hilary Sandler
- 10:00 Questions and Coffee
- 10:30 Irrigation – Peter Jeranyama
- 10:45 Frost and Weather – C. DeMoranville
- 11:15 Cranberry Insects – Anne Averill

WORKER PROTECTION TRAININGS Cranberry Station Library 2-4 PM

Worker Protection Trainings for cranberry workers in the handler category will be offered in the spring of 2008: April 30, May 28, and June 25. There is a \$5 fee to cover the cost of the WPS training manual. If you have a pesticide license, you do not need this training.

Contact Martha Sylvania: 508-295-2212, ext. 20 to sign up or for additional information.

Dr. Carolyn DeMoranville
Station Director

Pesticide Safety Training, Elks Lodge, East Wareham Wednesday, April 9th, 2008 8 AM - 12 NOON

This meeting gives a current update on cranberry pesticide issues and focuses on pesticide safety. The cost is \$50.00.

FOUR contact hours will be offered towards pesticide re-certification.

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- 8:00 – 8:30 Cranberry Pesticide Update – Martha Sylvania, UMass Cranberry Station
- 8:30 – 9:00 PPE and Keeping Safe – Martha Sylvania, UMass Cranberry Station
- 9:00 – 9:15 Groundwater Regulations in Cranberry – Brian Wick, CCCGA
- 9:15 – 9:45 The New Herbicide, Callisto – Hilary Sandler, UMass Cranberry Station
- 9:45 – 10:00 Best Management Practices – Carolyn DeMoranville, UMass Cranberry Station
- 10:00 – 10:20 Coffee Break
- 10:20 – 11:15 Chemigation Review – Dick Ward, Cranberry Station
- 11:15 – 11:30 Cholinesterase and you – Martha Sylvania, UMass Cranberry Station
- 11:30 – 12:00 Water, water everywhere – Bob Bentley, Analytic Balance/Cranberry Grower

Registration Form for Pesticide Safety Training
Elks Lodge, East Wareham
Wednesday, April 9th, 2008 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Please register for the meeting using this form.

COMPANY _____

PHONE _____

NAMES OF ATTENDEES _____

Attach additional sheets as necessary.

Return with payment by:
April 2, 2008

Include check made out to: **UMASS**
In the amount of: **\$50 per person.**

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**BEDS WITH BEAUTIFUL
FAIRY RINGS NEEDED**

I'm planning on doing a fungicide efficacy trial for fairy ring control this upcoming growing season and I need one or two beds which had numerous actively expanding fairy rings last year. My plan is to apply the different treatments in late May (only one application necessary) and follow the progression of the disease in the treated and untreated rings to see which were effective and which were ineffective. I will minimize traffic on the vines, and should be through with the evaluations in late July.

If you have a suitable bed and are willing to be a collaborator, please phone (508-295-2212, ext. 18) or email (fcarus@umext.umass.edu) me. I can't do this research on either State Bog or Rocky Pond Bog, as neither place is suitable. Frank L. Caruso, Plant Pathology

UPDATE ON CALLISTO

EPA set the tolerance for the herbicide, Callisto (mesotrione) in early January 2008. Syngenta Crop Protection (the registrant) is working on the final draft of the label. They hope to have the label available by late March-early April. I will make the label available to our local ag suppliers as soon as I see a copy and it will be available for faxing from the station upon request. I anticipate that Syngenta will upload the new label to web sites such as CDMS. Once the label is officially approved, I will write an article for this newsletter on its proper use. I will also be speaking about its use at the Pesticide Safety Workshop on April 9, 2008. I would expect most applications will be made late June through August (45-day PHI), so we should be in good shape with all the legalities by the time applications will need to go out. Hilary Sandler, IPM/Weeds

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