

"Fruit Facts" – Wednesday, July 7 2021

We hope you had a good 4th of July weekend! We'll return with a full-length Fruit Facts on Friday this week.

This is the week to start the collection of Honeycrisp fruit for peel sap analysis (see details below)!

The last 'Honeycrisp Meetup' is next week.

It will be an extended session (requested by several growers) to continue talking about Honeycrisp this summer. Please register in the new link!

Topic: **Pre- and Post-Harvest of Honeycrisp** with invited speakers Randy Beaudry (MSU) and Chris Watkins (Cornell U.)

When: Thursday, July 15, 2021, 7-8:30 PM (EST) Registration link: <u>https://wsu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_3DrwE7UDQo2rTT4dKN8x0g</u>

IPM Notes...Janet van Zoeren

<u>Cherries and berries</u>: keep fruit covered now until harvest with an insecticide that is effective against spotted wing drosophila. Quick reference guides can be found on our <u>LOF webpage</u>:

Tree Fruit and Grapes Guide http://www.hort.cornell.edu/fruit/pdfs/swd/treefruit-grape-insecticides.pdf

Berries Guide https://rvpadmin.cce.cornell.edu/uploads/doc_981.pdf

You can also learn more about regional monitoring efforts for spotted wing, as well as tips for management of this pest, on the NYS IPM SWD webpage (<u>https://blogs.cornell.edu/swd1/</u>).

Horticultural Notes...Mario Miranda Sazo

Honeycrisp fruit collection for inland sites is this week! Try to target an average fruit weight of 55-60 gr/fruit for

your sample: There were several more fruit weight measurements taken in both sides of the city yesterday. The majority of the inland sites were at the 55-57 grs/site and some even reached more than 60 gr/fruit. We urge growers to monitor their blocks and collect samples at the optimal fruit weight this week. Due to the multiple effects of crop load (low/medium/high), tree health, vigor, rootstock, and current soil moisture conditions, fruit weight can vary considerable. We are urging growers to collect fruit in inland sites by the end of this week (don't forget to weight the sample before peeling the fruit!). There are several lake sites that have already reached 52-55 grs at this moment and will be ready for sample collection this Friday, or during the weekend, or very early next week on July 19 or 20. Please review the forms for sample submission that were sent last Friday July 2, as well as our last article from our newsletter describing this year's efforts. Call me if you need any assistance with sample collection this week (Mario, cell 315-719-1318).

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