



“Fruit Facts” – Thursday, April 27th, 2023

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Apple Scab infection in forecast!

An **apple scab infection event** is forecast for this weekend beginning with the rains Friday afternoon/evening. ~5-10% ascospores are ready and expected to be released over the weekend, with the largest infection potential happening on Saturday.

Weather forecasts are changing by the hour. Check your weather forecast and be sure to cover up as many blocks as possible, as shortly as you can do prior to the rain. Friday morning would be the best window, if the current forecast holds and wind speeds are not too high. You may want to get in today/tonight for insurance (or if you have too many blocks and not enough tractors).

Consider applying **Captan/Mancozeb mixed with a SI or SDHI** such as **Cevya, Aprovia, Flint, Merivis, or Inspire Super**. Remember not to use Captan if you’ve used oil recently, and not to tank mix Captan with Fontelis.

Early pink phenology update

Early this week we started to see the first king blossoms of Idared in inland sites. This morning we feature several more cultivars at the early pink stages at an inland site in Marion, Wayne County (all pics taken from blocks located close to the intersection of Warner Rd. and Route 21).

**Early Pink Stages
and
First King Blossoms
of several cultivars
in Marion
(Wayne County)
by Wednesday
April 26, 2023**

