The fruits (or vegetables) of the Great Lakes Vegetable Working Group by Jim Jasinski

For the past six months, University personnel who specialize in vegetable research and Extension programming, along with industry stakeholders have been working together to develop vegetable IPM adoption surveys. This is the first major initiative of the Great Lakes Vegetable Working Group (GLVWG) formed in October, 2004. The mission of the working group is to foster communication and collaboration between vegetable specialists in the Great Lakes region, including Ontario, Canada, and to address priorities in vegetable production through research and Extension programs. For more information about this working group and our mission, visit our website at (http://glvwg.ag.ohio-state.edu/). The GLVWG decided that understanding IPM adoption in key vegetable crops
across the region is essential to focus our resources and direct our outreach and research efforts. To that end, with input from both University and industry representatives, we have developed state and crop specific IPM adoption surveys. The intent of the surveys is to determine which IPM practices are commonly used among growers. The results of this survey will be a major influence in future research and Extension efforts. By completing the survey, you help us continue to serve you. These surveys are designed to be taken over the Internet. Most questions require only a click to select the proper response(s); very little typing is involved. Your responses will be kept confidential. Sections of each survey will evaluate general pest management knowledge, training needs, and actual pest management practices from a preplant through post harvest time frame. These surveys are designed to take 10–15 minutes to complete. One completed survey per state per crop will be chosen at random to receive a free gift such as a current vegetable production guide or sweatshirt from that state or province. To begin the survey, either double click the link directly below in this article or cut and paste the link into your web browser's URL address bar (Netscape, Internet Explorer, Fox Fire, etc.). Contact Jim Jasinski (jasinski.4@osu.edu, 937–484–1526) if you do not have access to the Internet and need a hard copy of the survey. The crops selected for the Ohio IPM adoption survey and their web addresses are as follows: Pumpkin,
Peppers, These surveys will remain on line and active until March 12th, 2006 at which time they will be taken off line. Results of these surveys will be analyzed and reported in a future edition of this newsletter. For more information concerning the survey, please contact Jim Jasinski, at jasinski.4@osu.edu or 937-484-1526.

2–DAY INTENSIVE BERRY–BLUEBERRY TRAINING March 13–14, 2006 Time (Day 1) 9am–5pm(Day 2): 8am–5pm. Joint effort of MSU and OSU Extension/OARDC

Introduction to Integrated Pest Management
Insects, Diseases and Weeds
Understanding Berry and Blueberry Plant Growth
Understanding Insect Growth & Developments:
Berry-Blueberry Weeds: Monitoring and Management
Understanding Plant Disease Development
Berry-Blueberry Diseases: Monitoring and Management
Understanding Weeds and Soils
Berry-Blueberry Insect Pests: Monitoring and Management
Cross-Cultural Education
Leadership Training
Principles of Scouting in Berries and Blueberries

Training to be held at: Ohio State University South Centers, 1864 Shyville Road Piketon, OHIO:March 13–14, 2006
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2–day intensive training Reduced Price: $100.00 (includes
sessions, notebooks, with topics translated into Spanish, hands–on field practice in early summer and catered lunches.)
For local area lodging please call the: Comfort Inn: 740–289–3000, Located at 7525 U S Route 23, Piketon, Ohio. Amerihost Inn & Suites : 740-941-4678 Located at 800 West Emmitt Avenue, Waverly, Ohio
For more information, please call Brad Bergefurd at 740–289–2071 ext. 136 or email bergefurd.1@osu.edu

The 2005 Midwest Vegetable Variety Trial Reports are available on line at:

<www.hort.purdue.edu/fruitveg/reports.shtml>

The printed bulletin is available for $15.00 from: Bob Precheur, OSU Hort and Crop Science, 2001 Fyffe Ct., Columbus, OH 43210

2006 Ohio Vegetable Production Guide Available
The 2006 Ohio Vegetable Production Guide, Bulletin 672 is available through your local extension office. If they cannot get you a copy, contact Janic Cripe at 614–292–1607 or email: cripe.2@osu.edu The base price is $9.50 to which you must add taxes and shipping costs.
More 2005 Research Reports Now Available

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1. **Vegetable Research Results.** Includes reports on peppers, pumpkins and sweet corn plus pictures. Free. Contact: Bob Precheur, OSU Hort and Crop Science, 2001 Fyffe Ct., Columbus, OH 43210. 614–292–3857 or email: precheur.1@osu.edu

2. **Weed Management in Horticultural Crops Research Results 2005** Contact Doug Doohan on how to obtain your copy. Email: doohan.1@osu.edu phone: 330–202–3593 or Doug Doohan, HCS, 217 Williams Hall, OARDC, Wooster, OH 44691

Hard Copy Reports

1. **Vegetable Research Results.** M. Bennett et al. Includes reports on sweet corn seed treatments, plum tomatoes, copper treated containers in transplant production, specialty vegetables and new cultivars. For your copy, contact: Mark Bennett 614–292–3864, email: Bennett.18@osu.edu
2. Insecticide Evaluations. Contact: Casey Hoy, 330–263–3611 or email: hoy.1@osu.edu

3. Vegetable Disease and Fungicide Reports. Contact Sally Miller, 330–263–3678 or email: miller.769@osu.edu

The following reports are still available on line:

- Green Pepper Cultivar Evaluation, 2005 [PDF file]
- Pumpkin Cultivar Evaluation, 2005. [PDF file].
- Harris Moran Pumpkin cultivars, single replication.[PDF file]
- 2005 Pumpkin Picture Gallery PICTURES ARE HERE!
- Northern Ohio Sweet Corn Cultivar Evaluation by Mark Koenig.[MS Word file].
- Sweet Corn Cultivar Evaluation (Western Branch & 2 grower locations; Thermogradient and Saturated salt extract results), [PDF file].
- 2005 Sweet Corn Picture Gallery [PICTURES ARE HERE!, PLANT VIGOR + EAR PICS!]

**2005 Sweet Corn Disease Resistance Ratings**

The following are latest reports from Dr. Jerald Pataky's work at the Univ. of IL on reactions of sweet corn to common diseases. The 2005 disease nursery report presents ONLY the results from the trials this year. The hybrid summary report which lists hybrid reactions based on trials from 1984 to 2005 will be posted on the web site within the next 4 weeks as updated lists of available hybrids are returned from the respective seed companies and data from 2005 trials are merged with previous data.

2005 Disease Nursery Report (PDF File)
Click Here to go to the IL website to get The hybrid summary report which lists hybrid reactions based on trials from 1984 to 2005 Copies can be emailed to you or you can receive a hard copy. E-mail: Bob Precheur