



Vermont Apple IPM News

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Great Attendance at the VTFGA Annual Meeting ! ...Copies of Presentations Available

Based on your requests, both presentations by **Dr. Terence Robinson** have been placed on the Vermont apple website for your review. Each is a rather *large* file, so have a cup of coffee and something else to read as they download to your computer. They are located at:

Apple Varieties and Rootstocks:

http://orchard.uvm.edu/uvmapple/hort/ROBINSON_AppleVarietiesAndRootstocksVTFGAFeb2006.PDF

Modern Training Systems:

http://orchard.uvm.edu/uvmapple/hort/ROBINSON_ModernAppleTrainingSystemsVTFGAFeb2006.PDF

Also, I have put on the apple website a presentation which I had pulled together this winter on **Apple Scab Management** entitled: **“Working in a Cloud of Uncertainty.”** [Note: parts of it were put in the last newsletter and presented at the VTFGA meeting.] It also is a large file and will take some time to download. It can be viewed on the web at:

<http://orchard.uvm.edu/uvmapple/pest/disease/AppleScabCloudOfUncertainty2006.PDF>

If you do not have access to the web and would like to have a printed copy of any of the presentations listed above, please call **Anne Marie Resnik** in the Dept. of Plant & Soil Science office and tell her your name, address, and *which presentation you would like*, and we will mail it to you. Her phone number is **802/656-0463**.

Note: I have submitted the sign-up sheet for 2 PAT credits for the VTFGA meeting to the Vermont Agency of Agriculture. If you have any questions about those credits please contact the Ag. Agency in Montpelier.

A Limited Number of Hard Copies of NEAPMG still available

If you would like a printed version of the last edition of the New England Apple Pest Management Guide (2003-2004) for the biological and pest management monitoring information it contains, it still can be purchased for \$15.00. We have about 12 copies and will distribute them on a first-come basis. If you would like a copy, please make a check payable to the UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT, indicate you would like a copy of the NEAPMG, and send to:

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It is also available on the web at:

<http://www.umass.edu/fruitadvisor/NEAPMG/index.htm>

As mentioned in the last newsletter, a source of current pesticide information is the 2006 Commercial Tree-Fruit Production Guide which can be ordered from the Cornell University Resource Center (607/255-2080; resctr@cornell.edu) or can be viewed on line at:

<http://www.nysaes.cornell.edu/ent/treefruit/>

Keeping “Legal” when Grafting with Honeycrisp

As you know, Honeycrisp is a patented apple cultivar and if you are grafting with Honeycrisp budwood, you need to pay royalties.

The process has changed over the years. The following information was received from Rachel Muntean of the University of Minnesota Patent and Technology Office:

“If farmers want to propagate their own Honeycrisp trees, they will need to contact one of the nurseries in the list I’m providing to you. These nurseries have sublicensing rights that allow them to grant propagation rights to farmers. The nurseries collect our royalties and will pass them on to us, and will also have their own administrative fees. Farmers are free to work with any nursery they want, since the geographic location is irrelevant. Obtaining a sublicense in this way and paying the royalties owed to the nursery is all that is required for a farmer to propagate honeycrisp trees legally.”

The list of nurseries include:

Adams County Nursery, Inc. Asperse, PA Phillip D. Baugher (717) 677-8105	Hilltop Fruit Trees LLC Hartfort, MI Steve Flamm (800) 253-2911	Snyder, LLC Wenatchee, WA John J. Snyder, Jr. 800-232-2636
Van Well Nursery Vancouver, WA Peter Van Well 509-886-8189	Willow Drive Nursery, Inc. Ephrata, WA Ken Adams Toll Free 888-54-TREES	Cameron Nursery, L.P. Eltopia, WA Todd Cameron 509-266-4669

As I understand the process, once you contact one of the nurseries before you graft, they will issue you a license authorizing you to graft a specified number of trees. You will then sign and return the agreement with the royalties to the nursery.

Zestar! is also a patented apple cultivar and currently, a program for collecting royalties is in the planning stage. I will pass along the details once they are available.

Contact Information

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If you have any questions or want to arrange for an orchard visit regarding your concerns, please call or write.

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