

Advances in Berry Production:

Research and Updates for Day Neutral Strawberries and High Tunnel Raspberries



Agenda

Day One

Location:

Springfield Golf and Country Club
2054 Gordon Street, Guelph, ON

Thursday March 20,
9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Day Neutral Strawberry Research Update

9:30 a.m.	Refreshments, welcome and round table introductions
10:00	Day neutral strawberry physiology and production systems, Dr. Jim Hancock, Michigan State University
10:30	Our DN strawberry production system in Quebec, Guy Pouliot , Ferme Onésime Pouliot Inc.
11:00	Cultivars and management systems for DN strawberries, Becky Hughes, University of Guelph, Discussion
12:00 p.m.	Lunch
12:45	Effect of temperature on flowering and fruiting of DN strawberries, Dr. Adam Dale, University of Guelph
1:15	Optimizing fertigation in day neutral strawberries, Substrate production of strawberries, Dr. Yves Déjardins, Université Laval
2:00	New technology for DN strawberry growers – low tunnels, biodegradable mulch, Eric Ménard, Dubois Agrinovation
2:30	Break
2:45	Keeping one step ahead of anthracnose and flower thrips, Pam Fisher, OMAF & MRA
3:15	Focussed discussions with short grower presentations, 1. Harvest management...predicting yield and managing labour 2. Using plug plants ...
4:00	Day neutral costs of production: Results of 2012 Survey. Dragan Galic, University of Guelph
4:30	Discussion + Adjourn



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Friday March 21,
8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
High Tunnel Raspberries

8:30 a.m. Welcome, Introductions

9:00 *My vision for high tunnel raspberry production in Ontario, Dr. Adam Dale, University of Guelph*

9:30 *Our raspberry production system in tunnels, Guy Pouliot, Ferme Onésime Pouliot Inc.*

10:00 Break

10:30 *Evaluating raspberry varieties grown in pots in a tunnel production system, Dr. Eric Hanson, Michigan State University*

11:00 *Raspberry production and cane density under high tunnels and Voen covers, Dr. André Gosselin, Université Laval*

11:45 Discussion

12:00 p.m. Lunch and discussion

1:00 *Organic production systems in high tunnels, Dr. Eric Hanson, Michigan State University*

1:30 *Pest management for raspberries in tunnels: can you beat spotted wing drosophila, Pam Fisher, OMAF and MRA*

2:00 Discussion and adjourn

A program for growers currently in the business of producing day neutral strawberries and raspberries. Researchers will present results of recent projects. Group discussions with growers will provide the opportunity for questions and sharing of current information.



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