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| **Question #** | **Question** | **Choices** | **Responses** | **Write-In Responses** |
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| **1** | **Are you currently growing hops?** | *Yes* | 10 | N/A |
| *No* | 24 |
| *No Answer* | 0 |
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| **1a** | **If yes, # hills and varieties?** |  | 4000 hills, 1 acre (800 plants-400 cascade; 4-nugget); 45 hills (Willamette; perle; fuggle; cascade; native variety); 30 hills-7 different varieties; 1 hill; 50 hills; 3 hills; 29 rhizomes; 12 rhizomes in pots; |
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| **2** | **Are you interested in starting a hop yard** | *Yes* | 28 | N/A |
| *No* | 1 |
| *No Answer* | 5 |
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| **2b** | **If yes, when would you like to start?** |  | spring 2015; soon; not sure; In next 5-7 years when I can buy land to grow; 2015-2016; soon; spring 2015; spring 2015; 2015; spring 2015; spring 2015; next couple of years; few years; 2 years; soon; next year; spring [2015]; 2014; spring 2015; spring 2015; soon; 2016 |
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| **3** | **What was your overall assessment of the workshop?** | *excellent - 5* | 19 | N/A |
| *4* | 14 |
| *3* | 0 |
| *2* | 0 |
| *insufficient - 1* | 0 |
| *No answer* | 1 |
| **4** | **Most interesting/useful topics** |  | crowns v. rhizomes; drying techniques; real experience [of panelists]; business plan; A different approach to hop yard building; care and feeding physical set up, budgeting; end of season care and spring start-up; hop yard physical components, social media; maintenance, buying crowns as we expand; new to growing [hops] so all interesting; a very good introduction to starting small scale from start to a few years in; Just like described on flyer/email; harvesting to new re-growth of plant the next year [splitting rhizomes]; The beginning to end account as told by the presenters was very interesting and useful; The tips were interesting and take away power point quite a plus; the technical aspects; using crowns instead of rhizomes; having a working hop farm that is local and small that I can relate to; trellis construction, harvest details and financial cost; rootstalk vs. crowns—I had not thought of planting crowns and after this talk I am definitely looking into it; row prep and poles—talking about specific types of wood to use for poles and new idea on how to run cables; I have grown hops in the past. Picked up a few pointers: crowns. Vs. rhizomes, drying techniques; the maintenance piece was really insightful; construction and maintenance of hop yard; growing information; very good intro; great general overall on starting a small hop yard; note to [one of the panelists]: more for attendees, less about you. Hair out of your face. Know your audience. Speak with confidence or let someone else speak; Most everything. [weeding with] sheep; tips-what they did; business planning; how to build; physical infrastructure; weeding with sheep, machinery necessary, set up of effective hop yard; |
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| **5** | **Did workshop achieve agenda objectives** | *Yes* | 33 | N/A |
| *No* | 0 |
| *No Answer* | 1 |
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| **6** | **Knowledge/info gained from workhops met your expectations?** |  |  | N/A |
|  |  | *Definitely* | 25 |
|  |  | *Mostly* | 8 |
|  |  | *Somewhat* | 0 |
|  |  | *Not at all* | 0 |
|  |  | *no answer* | 1 |
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| **7** | **Will be applicable to your work?** | *Definitely* | 23 | N/A |
| *Mostly* | 8 |
| *Somewhat* | 2 |
| *Not at all* | 0 |
| *no answer* | 1 |
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| **8** | **How could workshop have been more effective?** |  | more time; It’s a good starting point for a new grower or interested parties; business plan/business aspects not very thorough/detailed/well-presented; better time management of presentation; it was excellent; business info-not so much [presented]; ?-actual samples of different hops; the venue was great but a site visit would help to illustrate the ideas; I think it would be helpful to have a panel consisting of a few different growing operations. Since there are so many different ways to operate a hop yard, different perspectives are helpful. Also, having larger sized (at least an acre) hop yard represented would help in planning ho we want to grow our operation. Effective given the timeframe; hearing from another farm to compare practices, possibly a more established farm; more on processing |
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| **9** | **Other workshop topics that we should consider?** |  |  | growing grains on a small scale; more of this; More detailed processing / development; small grains; pest control; water for brewing especially on well; machinery for harvest and processing; more info on machinery (pickers, pelletizers, etc); growing grains on a small scale; grains; yeast culture |
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|  | **Number of Attendees** | 40 |  |  |
|  | **# of Surveys Completed** | 34 |  |  |
|  | **Location of Attendees** |  |  |  |
|  |  | Albany, Albany County |  |  |
|  |  | Albany, Albany County |  |  |
|  |  | Alcove, Greene County |  |  |
|  |  | Amsterdam, Montgomery County |  |  |
|  |  | Berne, Albany County |  |  |
|  |  | Canaan, Columbia County |  |  |
|  |  | Columbia County |  |  |
|  |  | Durham, Albany County |  |  |
|  |  | Dutchess/Ulster County |  |  |
|  |  | Dutchess/Ulster County |  |  |
|  |  | Glen, Montgomery County |  |  |
|  |  | Glens Falls, Warren County |  |  |
|  |  | Greene County |  |  |
|  |  | Greene County |  |  |
|  |  | Greenville, Greene County |  |  |
|  |  | Hartford, Washington County |  |  |
|  |  | New Paltz, Ulster County |  |  |
|  |  | Preston Hollow, Albany County |  |  |
|  |  | Rensselaerville, Albany County |  |  |
|  |  | Rensselaerville, Albany County |  |  |
|  |  | Rensselaerville, Albany County |  |  |
|  |  | South Berne, Albany County |  |  |
|  |  | Stuyvesant, Rensselaer County |  |  |
|  |  | Wallkill, Orange County |  |  |
|  |  | West Fulton, Schoharie County |  |  |
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| **Question #** | **Question** | **Choices** | **Responses** | total | **Written Responses** |
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| **1** | **Are you currently growing hops?** | *Yes* | xxxxxxx | 7 | with jay keil |
| *No* | xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx | 15 |  |
| *No Answer* | x | 1 |  |
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| **1a** | **If yes** | *how many hills* |  |  | 3800, 300, 30,4, 1? ; 300; 300 |
|  |  | *what variaties* |  |  | cascade, willamette, centenial, mt hood, golding, tettnenger, cascade, 15 varieties; cascade, willamette, newport; cascade, centennial, chinook; |
|  |  | *hurdles* |  |  | lack of education; time; weeds and japanese beetles |
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| **2** | **Are you planning to start a hop yard** | *Yes* | xxxxxx | 6 | might this year; spring/summer 2015 |
| *No* | xx | 2 |  |
| *not sure* | xxxxx | 5 | not sure if location is a good; we are a teaching farm; funding; planning to help with a small farm set up to purchase and pelletize; money; |
|  |  | no answer | xx | 2 |  |
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| **2b** | **If yes** | *when* |  |  | this year; this year; now; |
|  |  | how many hills |  |  | 250; 300; .5 acre; |
|  |  | hurdles entering |  |  | learning, planning the harvest |
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| **3** | **What was your overall assessment of the workshop?** | *excellent - 5* | xxxxxxxxxxxx x | 13 | good quick overview; all of it |
| *4* | xxxxxxx | 7 | always too rushed |
| *3* | xx | 2 |  |
| *2* | x | 1 |  |
| *insufficient - 1* |  |  |  |
| *No answer* |  |  |  |
| **4** | **Most interesting/useful topics** |  |  | economics of…; all very useful. Networking is the biggest benefit; northern eagle presentation; all of it; pests, fungicides; pest management; processing; set up, pest id, management; processing; hops processing and marketplace information; hop yard construction and pest control; pesticides; all; pest management; setting up trellises; all; pests;initial planning; diseases and pests; hop yard construction and pests; site location; visit to hop yard, processing info, pests; |
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| **5** | **Did workshop achieve agenda objectives** | *Yes* | xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx | 21 |  |
| *No* | x | 1 | thought it would be more 'advanced' program, not anohter hops 101. It was not what was advertised |
| *no answer* | x | 1 |  |
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| **6** | **Knowledge/info gained from workhops met your expectations?** |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | *Definitely* | xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx xx | 17 |  |
|  |  | *Mostly* | xxx | 3 |  |
|  |  | *Somewhat* | xx | 2 |  |
|  |  | *Not at all* | x | 1 |  |
|  |  | *no answer* |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **7** | **Will be applicable to your work?** | *Definitely* | xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx | 19 |  |
| *Mostly* | xxx | 3 |  |
| *Somewhat* | x | 1 |  |
| *Not at all* |  |  |  |
| *no answer* |  |  |  |
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| **8** | **How could workshop have been more effective?** |  |  | n/a; should have been on 'economies of scale'; It would be nice to be able to get as much out of these conferences if we could fully have them finish what they put together so we can understand what we might have to do; talk about any one of these topics only if one person who sets up a program can go from start to finish; make the conference longer; have the people pack their own lunch; use prerequisites, e.g. Hops 101 before Hops 102; growing hops for beginners; harvesting; hand out map to farm; more in depth—less about beginning a hop yard; |
| **n/** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **9** | **Other workshop topics that we should consider?** |  |  |  | n/a |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **Number of Attendees** | 35 |  |  |  |
|  | **# of Surveys Completed** | 23 |  |  |  |
|  | **Location of Attendees** |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | delaware/otsego |  |  |  |
|  |  | columbia county/AKDs |  |  |  |
|  |  | columbia county |  |  |  |
|  |  | albany rensselaerville |  |  |  |
|  |  | rensselerville |  |  |  |
|  |  | albany -coeymans, alcove |  |  |  |
|  |  | *albany county* |  |  |  |
|  |  | *albany county* |  |  |  |
|  |  | *carmel, ny* |  |  |  |
|  |  | *schoharie* |  |  |  |
|  |  | *columbia county* |  |  |  |
|  |  | *albany county* |  |  |  |
|  |  | *ulster county* |  |  |  |