Crops & Soils Field Day

Location: Borderview Farm, Alburgh, Vermont
Hosts: The Rainville Family
Date: Thursday, August 6, 2009
Time: 10:30 am to 3:00 pm

The program is free of charge for farmers. All others $15 per person. (CCA credits available)
Lunch will be provided.

Please RSVP by July 30 to Heather Darby @ 802-524-6501 or heather.darby@uvm.edu

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This year the theme of the workshops is "Grains from the Ground Up!" Throughout the day Dr. Heather Darby and Dr. Sid Bosworth will highlight the many research projects focused on producing wheat, barley, sunflowers, and dry beans for specialty products produced in Vermont. You will even be able to sample many of the fine products made from these grains.

Field Day Highlights

- Learn about milling grain into flour and how to bake with local flour. Jeffery Hamelman from King Arthur Flour will talk about the science of bread baking and flour quality. Get ready to sample products made with local wheat flour!
- Jack Lazor from Butterworks Farm will share with us his vast knowledge on growing dry beans in Vermont. A variety of dry bean types will be on display as well as specialized harvesting equipment.
- Come see oilseed production from growing to processing! See oilseed trials, including canola, sunflower, and switchgrass. There will also be two different oilseed presses operating and sampling of oil. Learn more about the Vermont Biofuel Initiative.
- View the wheat, barley, and soybean trials and taste soy milk, tofu, and locally produced spirits made from these products.
- Learn more about the benefits and drawbacks of various cover crop termination methods, from herbicide, to plow-down, to using a roller-crimper.
  - Crop rotation trials and double crop corn-cereal systems, including winter and spring small grain trials—information on yield, quality, seeding rates, and using small grains for grazing, forage, or grain/straw production.
  - Information on annual forage crops, tineweeding, oilseed meal as a fertilizer, sunflower seeding and sunflower interseeding.
  - Many corn research trials including seeding rates and maturity dates.

Free of charge for farmers! All others* pay $15 per person at door. CCA credits will be available.

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If you require accommodations to participate in this program, please let our office know by July 30 so we may assist you.

* Scholarships are available for Extension, USDA, and non-profit personnel. Contact Deb Heleba at debra.heleba@uvm.edu for

Directions

From Alburgh: Take Rt. 2 North. Just after the VT Welcome Center, turn Right onto Rt. 225 (Border Rd.) Drive toward the Canadian Border. As you approach the border, turn Left just BEFORE Customs. In front of you, there will be a dirt road (Line Rd.) that goes west along the border. Borderview Farm is the first farm on the left. Look for signs for the Field Day!