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Northeast Hops News

Northeast Hops News is brought to you each month by the Cornell University, Madison County Cooperative Extension Hops Program.

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January 2015

2014 Annual Hops Conference

This successful conference was held Saturday December 6, 2014 at Morrisville State College in Morrisville, New York. Thank you to each and every one of you who attended this conference. We appreciate everyone taking the time and effort to be here. We value your participation and sharing your ideas and expertise. We certainly hope that the conference has been all that you expected it to be and that you have taken the opportunity to discuss, exchange experiences, and suggestions.

In addition to the conference we held a hops evaluation with over 50 samples. 20 brewers through the Northeast came to evaluate the hops. Our object for this event was to showcase the hops growing in the Northeast and to build the relationship between hop growers and brewers.

Our overall objective for this conference was to enable people to gain knowledge of this rapidly growing industry. To accomplish this, we established this year's conference agenda based on the issues facing this industry and from previous conference surveys.

We were very fortunate to have a large group of speakers with a variety of backgrounds participate in our conference. Their involvement resulted in many successful seminars. We would also like to thank our vendors and brewers for their contribution and providing their expertise to the hops industry.

We appreciate all of the co-organizers, supporting agencies, and staff who contributed to the conference preparation. This conference would not have been a success without your help.



In case you missed conference, the entire program was filmed and DVDs will be available at the end of January. An order form will be available on the NeHA website when the DVD is complete. DVD Set is \$30 for conference attendees and \$60 for non-attendees.

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2014 Hops Conference Photos by Alex Caldwell (alexwcaldwell.com)

**“Although we are experienced nursery growers (over 20 years) we found this very helpful to learning & growing process for our start-up hop business. I was looking forward to this and was not disappointed.”
-Conference Attendee**



Charles Matt, President and CEO of C.Matt GmbH



Trade Show



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Sam Filler, Empire State Development



Chris Callahan, University of Vermont



Jason Townsend, Cornell Cooperative Extension

Hop Harvest and Processing Safety Webinar

Your Lungs, Your Life: Respiratory Disease in Hop Growing and Processing

Tuesday, January 13

1 PM, Eastern Standard Time (10AM PST, 11AM MST, 12PM CST)

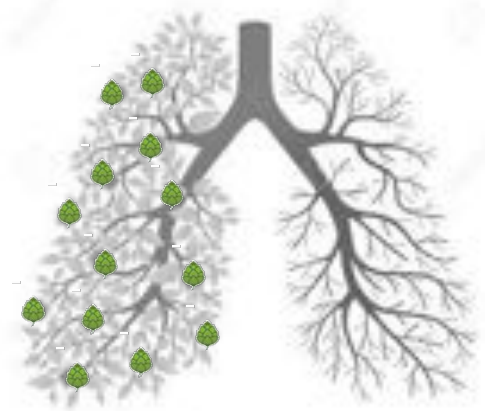
Erin Lizotte and Rob Serrine, Michigan State University Extension

Join us for this one-hour webinar with Carolyn Whitaker and Dr. Dave Bonauto from the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries Safety & Health Assessment & Research for Prevention (SHARP) Program. In this webinar you will learn how to keep your lungs healthy while growing and processing hops. We will cover what to watch for, when to see a doctor, hop jobs associated with respiratory disease, and what you can do to protect yourself and employees.

The SHARP Program is an occupational health research group interested in preventing workplace injuries and disease. Carolyn Reeb-Whitaker (MS, CIH) has worked at SHARP as a certified industrial hygienist for the past 13 years. She administers Washington's work-related asthma surveillance program and holds a Master's degree from the University of Washington. David K Bonauto (MD, MPH) is the research director at SHARP, where he has worked as an occupational medicine physician for the past 14 years. He earned his MD degree from Columbia University in 1993. His research interests include occupational surveillance, chemical related illness, injury epidemiology, and work-related musculoskeletal disorders.

No registration is required and the program is free. Simply click the following link five minutes before the webinar is scheduled to begin <https://connect.msu.edu/erinlizotte>. Please sign in as a guest using your first name and state of residence. You will need a computer with internet access, a web browser (e.g. Explorer, Safari) and speakers. Don't worry if you aren't available on January 13th, we will record the webinar and make it available via hops.msu.edu.

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**Foothill Hops
is once again
coordinating
the annual
cooperative
coir purchase
for NeHA
members.**

**Orders are due
by January 16.**

**Contact
Foothill Hops
for more
details at
fhops@dreamscape.com or
315-495-2451.**

CROPS & SOILS PROGRAM

2015 6th Annual Hops Conference

February 20, 2015

Sheraton Hotel and Conference Center

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Join us for our **6th Annual Hops Conference!** You will receive updates from the UVM Hops Program on cover crop experiments, potato leafhopper experiments, variety trials, crowning projects, weed control and equipment. We are actively working on our full agenda and plan to have topics including hops quality analysis, pest management, fertility and irrigation management, and hop processing. We will also hear from a hops farmer and plant breeder who grows both organic and conventional hops in Washington state. We expect many other guests and will share the details as soon as we have them available!

Please register online at <http://www.uvm.edu/extension/agriculture/news-events/?Page=hopsconference.html#.VK1eCk10weg>. To request a disability-related accommodation to participate in this program, please contact Susan Brouillette at 802-524-6501 or 1-800-639-2130 or susan.brouillette@uvm.edu by February 6, 2015 so we may assist you.



Bundschuh's Greenhouses is pleased to offer 15 varieties of hop plants grown from first generation cuttings of virus indexed stock purchased from Washington State's Clean Plant program.

Plants come in 4 1/2 inch pots and in trays of 12, but it is not necessary to purchase any one variety in a full tray. Orders can be placed for however many plants of each variety is needed. No dead line for ordering. Date of availability for plants to be picked up will depend on date ordered. The earlier the order is placed, the better the chance for pick up by Memorial Day weekend. Pick up will be at Bundschuh's Greenhouses. People may call the greenhouse at **315-986-8872**, leave a message and someone will return their call. **We ship to customers.**

Varieties Available: Cascade, Centennial, Chinook, Columbus, Cluster, Fuggle, Liberty, Newport, Nugget, Perle, Kent Golding, Saaz, Teamaker, Tettang and Willamette.

Pricing: 1-100 \$5.00 each 🍷 101-375 \$4.50 each 🍷 376-750 \$4.25 each

751-999 \$4.00 each 🍷 1,000 or more \$3.00 each

2015 Empire State Producers Expo



“There will be Hops & Malt Sessions January 22, 2015 during the Expo.”

The 2015 Empire State Producers Expo runs January 19, 21, and 22 at the Oncenter Convention Center in Syracuse, NY. This show combines the major fruit, flower, vegetable, and direct marketing associations of New York State in order to provide a comprehensive trade show and educational conference for the fruit and vegetable growers of this state, as well as the surrounding states and Eastern Canada.

Registration

Don't miss out! There will be lots of informative speakers, exhibitors with new products, and friends to socialize with. Register now!

[Registration](#)

Conference Schedule

Conference registration starts at 7:30 a.m. each day. Educational sessions are generally from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on all days, with lunch breaks. Free coffee and juice is available in the trade show area from 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. each day. All

registered conference attendees have a name badge and are checked at the trade show door. A trade show only pass will also be available at the door.

Conference sessions run concurrently.

[Schedule](#)

Lodging Information

The official hotels for the Empire State Producers Expo are the Genesee Grande (downtown), The Crowne Plaza (downtown), the Holiday Inn Liverpool (Thruway) and the Doubletree (Thruway).

[Lodging Info](#)





Cornell Cooperative Extension of Madison County in collaboration with Zerrillo's Greenhouse is pleased to offer 20 different varieties of hop plants grown from first generation cuttings of virus indexed stock purchased from Washington State's Clean Plant program that is funded by the USDA.

This is part of a project to demonstrate the viability of local plant production and to provide virus free sources of planting stock for the industry.

Alpharoma, Cascade, Centennial, Chinook, Newport, Nugget, Saaz, Teamaker, Triple Pearl, Ultra, Willamette will be sold in 8 5/6 inch pots and can be purchased by the tray. Quantity discounts available. *Cashmere, Crystal, Horizon, Styrian Gold, Tahoma, Serebrianka, Sorachi Ace, Yakima Gold, Zatechi Cervenii* also by the flat in 8 5/6 inch pots but available in lesser quantities. The minimum order is 30 plants per single variety.

Quantities are Limited!

Orders are being filled on a first come first serve basis. Deadline to order plants is March 15th, 2015. A 25% down payment is required to place an order. The plants will be available through Zerrillo's Greenhouse in Syracuse and must be picked up there. **Plants should be available approximately June 8th, 2015.** Make checks payable to Zerrillo's Greenhouse and mail to CCE Madison County at P.O. Box 1209, Morrisville, NY 13408, Attn. Steve Miller. NYS Sales Tax rate of 8% will be charged unless the order is accompanied by a NYS Farm Sales Tax Exemption Form (Form ST-125). Plants must be paid in full on or before pickup. We can produce more plants from a later flush of growth if the first batch is sold out.

Questions?

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Some Plant Notes:

- These varieties are **in high demand**. They are excellent choices for many east coast plantings. Don't miss this opportunity to have these in your yard!
- These plants are second generation plants from cuttings of virus indexed stock purchased from the Washington State Clean Plant program. Because these 2nd generation plants were grown from clean tissue culture, **they should not contain latent hop viruses, downy mildew or powdery mildew.**

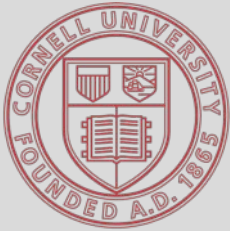
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January 2015

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January 19 - 22 Empire State Producers Expo, Oncenter Convention Center—Syracuse, NY. For more information log on to www.nysvga.org/expo/information/

February 2015

February 20 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 6th Annual Hops Conference, Sheraton Hotel and Conference Center, Burlington, Vermont Please register online at <http://www.uvm.edu/extension/agriculture/news-events/?Page=hopsconference.html#.VK1eCk10weg>

March 2015

March 7 Western New York Hops Workshop in Ontario County. Save the date more details to follow.

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Hop Plant Sale

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