



Berry Growers of Ontario– Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Convention Berry Program

Tuesday, February 20, 2018 – Embassy Suites, Niagara Falls

9:00 am	Introduction and Welcome	
9:10 am	Ontario Strawberry and raspberry virus survey	Erica Pate and Mike Celetti, OMAFRA
9:25 am	Mini Berries – A Crazy Idea?	Adam Dale, University of Guelph, Simcoe
9:40 am	Berry Production and Marketing on our Farm - Grower Profile	Paul Henrie, Orleans Fruit Farm, Orleans, ON
10:30 am	Berry Growers of Ontario First Strategic Plan	James Farrar, Jayeff Partners, Grimsby
11:00 am	Strawberry Anthracnose Resistance and Management Project	Mike Celetti, OMAFRA, Guelph
11:30	Managing Anthracnose: Current work on host resistance, forecasting models and other IPM tactics.	Frank Louws, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC
12:15	BGO Annual Meeting	
	Marketing Track- Chairperson, Erica Pate, Berry, Specialist, OMAFRA	Production Track –
2:00 pm	Festivals and Events Ontario	Growing Your Own Straw – Wheat Selections and other Possibilities Joanna Follings, OMAFRA, Stratford Erica Pate, Deanna Nemeth, OMAFRA
2:30-45/50 pm		Understanding the Seasonal Agricultural Worker Program Carrie Raymond-Gardner, Foreign Agricultural Resource Management Service, Mississauga
2:45 pm	On-Farm Festivals Brooks Farms Paul Brooks	Panel Labour savings- employee management Dusty Zamecnik, Morris Gervais, Rudy Heeman
3:30 pm	Round tables	
	1. Carrie Raymond-Gardner	Seasonal Agricultural Worker Program
	2. Joanna Follings, Deanna Nemeth	Growing Straw
	3.	On-farm festivals
	4. Mike Celetti, Frank Louws	Disease management
5:00 pm	Adjourn	
7:30 pm	OBGA Hospitality Rm. #	



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9:25 am	Introduction and Welcome	
9:30 am	Encouraging and Preserving Beneficials	Liette Lambert, Quebec Ministry of Agriculture, Ste. Martine, QC
10:00 am	Spotted Wing Drosophila Management – What's Working, Novel Approaches	Philip Fanning, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
10:30 am	Tank Mixes to Avoid	Joe Uyenaka, Nutri Ag, Barrie, ON.
11:00 am	Grower Experiences with Crop Tracker.	Ellen Jennen, Brian Reijke.
11:45 - 2:00	Lunch and Visit the Trade Show	
2:00 pm	Raspberry biodegradable mulch and nematode project.	Carol Miles, Washington State University, Mount Vernon, WA
2:30 pm	Emerging problems with fungicide resistance to manage Botrytis and Anthracnose	Frank Louws, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC
3:00 pm	Benefits of Pruning Blueberries	Mark Longstroth, Michigan State University, East Lansing MI
3:30 pm	Improving Production of Dayneutral Strawberries in Canada Project Results	John Zandstra, University of Guelph, Ridgetown, ON
4:00 -5:00	Equipment Update	