Olive Pest Management Workshops

Following are two workshops focused on insect pest management in olives. The first will cover control of olive fly and is aimed primarily at small producers and backyard growers and will be held in Orland on June 8th. The details are below. The second is aimed primarily at commercial producers and pest control advisors and will cover biology, monitoring and control of olive fly and black scale. It will be held at Matt Koball’s Farm in Corning on June 24th. Details for this meeting are still being worked out, but what it known at this time is listed below. Both meetings will offer a “hands on” experience and ample time for interaction with experienced researchers and advisors.

HANDS-ON OLIVE FLY WORKSHOP
Sponsored by the Glenn County Pest Management District, the Glenn Co. Ag. Commissioner, CDFA Olive Fly Educational grant and UCCE Glenn County

Who should attend: Olive Growers, especially if you have less than 500 trees.
When: June 8, 2011, 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.
Where: John Erickson’s olive orchard, south of Road 24 and west side of Road M. Park at edge of orchard.

Topics covered:
1. How to identify the olive fruit fly.
2. How to assemble Plastic McPhail and sticky traps.
3. How to make an Olipe trap (bring your own 1 liter bottle). We will have a limited supply of Torula yeast tablets for bait on hand.
5. How to mix, load and apply GF-120 (Spinosad) with a hand-can, backpack sprayer or a 4-wheeler. The pesticide and sprayers will be available for demonstration.
6. Surround® sprays for olive fly control.
7. Relationship between black scale and olive fruit fly.

Contact Jean Miller (934-6501), Ernie Simpson (865-9829), or Bill Krueger (865-1107) with questions.
Olive Pest Management Meeting

June 24, 2011

9:30 a.m to 12:00 noon

Matt Koball’s Orchard, 21890 South Avenue, Corning
(West of I-5 at the end of South Avenue)

Sponsored by the Tehama County Olive Pest Management District

Topics to be covered:

Olive Fly:

Tehama County Olive Pest Management District Activities – speaker to be determined

Biology and Control - Marshall Johnson, UC Entomologist, Kearney Ag. Center

Olive Fly Trapping Program - history and current situation- Bill Krueger UC Farm Advisor, Glenn and Tehama Counties

Black Scale:

Biology- Monitoring and Control - Marshall Johnson and Bill Krueger

Relationship between Black Scale and Olive Fly - Marshall Johnson

Secretarial Declaration of Disaster and NAP Insurance Program for Olives – Darci Cullers, Executive Director of Tehama County Farm Services Agency

The meeting will conclude with a hosted lunch sponsored by the Tehama County Olive Pest Management District. If you plan to attend and stay for lunch, you must contact our office at 865-1155 by June 23.