



January 3, 2007

[Small Fruit Cold Storage Reports](#)

[Weather Forecast](#) by Rufus La Lone

[Photo of the week](#) : Blueberry fields in the Lynden, WA, area.

We've got the **potential for some very cold temperatures** coming up in a week or so. Nothing for sure yet but the weather models are looking ominous. Take a look at Rufus's forecast at the link above.

### **Small Fruit Update Changes:**

**1) New Format!** Hope you like our new look. If you have any difficulties downloading, opening links or just want to give us some feedback, [Click Here](#) to email us or call the office at 503-289-7287.

**2)** In about a month we'll be **changing the email address the Update is coming from**. It has been coming from [anna@peerbolt.com](mailto:anna@peerbolt.com). The new address will be [smallfruitupdate@peerbolt.com](mailto:smallfruitupdate@peerbolt.com). Some spam filters might block this change so there's a possibility you'll need to adjust your filters to allow it through.

**3) Text format vs. html format.** We don't want to get too technical but the changes we're making will affect the ability of some email programs to show this newsletter to you in a useful form. If you are receiving it without any pictures and not many working web links, you are getting it in **text format** rather than **html format**. If you would like to get it in a much more useful format, you'll need to either **change the setting on your email program** to receive email in html form or, if your program is older and doesn't allow that, get a newer email program. Please [email](#) or call us (503-289-7287) if you need some more clarification or are having problems.

**Website of the Week:** [Berry Wise, Inc.](#) Here's a company selling 'natural berry-based products'. Its got a lot of berry research listed and good advertising. So—how many real berries go into making these products?

**Some Upcoming Small Fruit Events** ([Click here](#) for a more complete calendar)

### **Western Washington Horticultural Association Convention & Trade Show**

January 3-4 —Seattle Marriott, Seatac, WA. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

### **Washington Strawberry Commission**

January 4—Annual meeting ~ 7 AM, Seattle Marriott, Seatac, WA. During the WWA Conference. Contact Norval Johanson, 360-491-6567.

### **Oregon Blueberry Commission**

January 5—Researcher/Contractor Roundup ~ 8 am to 11:45, Construction & Engineering Hall, LaSells Stewart Center, OSU, Corvallis. [Click here](#) for the agenda. A **regular commission meeting** will follow the research round up at the First Interstate room in the LaSells Stewart Center. For more information call the commission office at 503-364-2944.

### **North Willamette Valley Horticulture Society**

January 11—Berry Day. Clackamas County Fairgrounds, 694 NE 4 Ave, Canby. For more information call Diane Kaufman 503-678-1264 extension 123. [Click here](#) for the agenda.

### **Cancelled---58th Annual Western Small Fruit Pest Management Conference,**

January 15 -16—Ramada Inn, Abbotsford, BC, Canada.

### **North American Bramble Growers Association**

January 15 -17—National Bramble Conference ~ Columbus, Ohio. For details, [click here](#).

### **Washington Blueberry Commission**

January 23—Commission research review meeting ~ 10 AM in the Chicona Room of the Administration Building at WSU Puyallup. Contact [Dorothy Anderson](#) for more information 360-766-6150

### **British Columbia Blueberry Diagnostics Workshop**

January 23—9-12, Abbotsford Agriculture Centre, 1767 Angus Campbell Road, Abbotsford, B.C. [Click here for flyer](#). For more information or to RSVP email: [sonjaring@shaw.ca](mailto:sonjaring@shaw.ca)

### **Northwest Agricultural Show**

**January 30-February 1** ~ Portland, Expo Center, The largest Ag show in the Northwest. [Click Here](#) for information. The seminar schedule is also available at this link.

**Oregon Horticultural Society seminars**

**January 30 Oregon Raspberry & Blackberry Commission research reports and annual meeting** ~.Red Lion Inn on the River, Janzen Beach, Portland. Call 541-758-4043 or [E-mail](#) the commission office for more information. [Click Here](#) for the Agenda.

**January 31 ~ Blueberry session**, Red Lion Inn on the River, Janzen Beach, Portland. Agenda TBA.

**Kwantlen College Biocontrol Workshop/ Seminar**

**February 1-2—Parasitoids and their use in Biocontrol** ~ Institute for Sustainable Agriculture, Langley, B.C. Biocontrol Seminar and Workshop Info line 604-599-3333 or email [Biocontrol@kwantlen.com](mailto:Biocontrol@kwantlen.com).

**Oregon Strawberry Commission**

**February 6— Meeting and budget meeting** ~ 9:30 AM, Roth's West, 1130 Wallace Road NW, Salem. For more information, call 541-758-4043 or [email](#) the commission office.

**Oregon Raspberry and Blackberry Commission**

**February 14— Meeting and budget meeting** ~ 11:30, Denny's restaurant, 30175 SW Parkway Ave, Wilsonville. For more information, call 541-758-4043 or [email](#) the commission office.

**Lower Mainland Horticultural Society Annual Horticulture Growers Short Course**

**February 15-17—TRADEX**, Abbotsford, BC, [Click here](#) for the program. Contact Sandy Gordon, [sandyg@uniserve.com](mailto:sandyg@uniserve.com) or Mark Sweeney, [Mark.Sweeney@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Sweeney@gov.bc.ca) for more information

**Oregon Strawberry Commission**

**February 21—Research reports/ annual member meeting** ~ North Willamette Research and Extension Station, Aurora. For more information, call 541-758-4043 or [email](#) the commission office

**Oregon Raspberry and Blackberry Commission Grower Workshop**

**February 28—10-3**, North Willamette Research and Extension Station, Aurora. Agenda items: Mechanization Potential in Caneberries, Northwest Caneberry Variety Breeding Programs, A panel of processor fieldmen discussing fruit handling issues and pest management topics

**North American Blueberry Council/ US Highbush Blueberry Council**

**February 28-March 3 Spring meetings** ~ Orlando, FL. [Click here](#) for meeting and registration information