We are excited to announce UVM Extension’s 4th Annual Winter Hops Conference!

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Graham Ollard, is a hops consultant with Agrimanagement, Inc. in the Yakima Valley in Washington and will speak on fertility and pest management in hops.

Krista Delahunty & Jason Johnston of Aroostook Hops in Westfield, Maine will discuss the results of their Northeast SARE Farmer grant, which evaluated the impact of cover crops and irrigation on hop yields.

Colorado organic hop farmer, Rich Andrews, will present on his innovative solar hop and herb dryer design, as well as his experiences with growing organic hops.

Ever wonder what happens WHEN GOOD HOPS GO BAD? Join Vermont Pub and Brewery and Bobcat Café and Brewery as they lead us through an educational sensory panel to highlight the importance of proper drying and storage techniques.

Learn about the latest hop research results from the NW Crops and Soils Team! Varietal evaluations, pests, fertility, and cover crops will be discussed by our team.

Chris Callahan, UVM Extension Ag engineer, local hops growers Kris Anderson and Bill Powell, and UVM College of Engineering and Mathematical Sciences students will provide an equipment update (hops harvester, oast and pelletizer) and demonstrate the hops drying calculator.

Lunch will be provided. Registration fee: $45
Registration fee for NeHA members: $40
Cost of NeHA membership: $40 per farm

The Essex is holding a block of rooms at $139/night until Jan. 31, 2013. Call 1-800-727-4295 for reservations.

If you have questions, call Heather Darby or Rosalie Madden at 802-524-6501 or 1-800-639-2130 (toll-free in Vermont only).

*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 8, 2013 so we may assist you.

Please RSVP by February 8, 2013 by going to www.uvm.edu/extension/hopsconference

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