



VERMONT VEGETABLE AND BERRY GROWERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

Monday, January 22, 2018

[Lake Morey Resort](#), 1 Clubhouse Road, Fairlee, VT 05045

- 8:00 Registration, Refreshments, Visit Trade Show
- 9:30 President's Remarks. Mary Skovsted, Joe's Brook Farm, St. Johnsbury
- 9:45 A Tour of Growers on their Farms, 2017. Vern Grubinger, UVM Extension
- 10:00 A Tour of a Small U-Pick Blueberry Farm. John LaRue, Covered Bridge Farm, Underhill
- 10:15 Farming with the Next Generation at The Last Resort. Eugenie Doyle, Monkton
- 10:30 Farming with the Older Generation at Pomykala Farm. Ben Pomykala, Grand Isle
- 10:45 On-Farm Water Use. Rachel Schattman, UVM Extension
- 11:00 New Advances in Mechanical Weed Control. Bryan Brown, NY State IPM Program
- 11:30 1-Minute Pitches from Trade Show Exhibitors on their Products and Services
- 12:00 Luncheon and Visit Trade Show
- 1:45 Business Meeting: Election of Officers, etc.
- 2:00 Remarks by Vermont Secretary of Agriculture Food and Markets. Anson Tebbetts
- 2:15 40+ years of Growing and Marketing at Sanders Farm. Russell Pocock, Compton, Quebec
- 2:45 Vegetable and Berry Disease Update – Ann Hazelrigg, UVM Extension
- 3:00 Greenhouse IPM for Veggies and Flowers at Walker Farm. Jack Manix, Dummerston
- 3:15 Leek Moth Research Update. Vic Izzo and Scott Lewins, UVM and St. Michaels College
- 3:30 NEWA – it's About Much More than Weather. Terry Bradshaw, UVM College of Agriculture
- 3:45 Fill out evaluation and get a 2018-2019 New England Vegetable Management Guide
- 4:00 Adjourn

VVBGA 2018 ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION

Sponsored by: Vermont Compost Company; Vermont Agency of Agriculture Food and Markets; Vermont Agricultural Credit Corporation, University of Vermont Extension; Vitalis Seeds; and the VVBGA.

Pre-registration is \$40 per day, per person, for VVBGA Members; \$50 per day for Non-Members.
Add \$10 per day, per person, for walk-in registrations.

2018 VVBGA member dues for 2018 are \$45 per farm (\$55 if received after January 31.)
Register on-line for the annual meeting, and/or pay membership dues, and/or donate to the VVBGA research and education fund at <https://2018vvbga.eventbrite.com>

Alternatively: print out the membership and meeting registration form
<http://www.uvm.edu/vtveganberry/VV&BGA/2018MembershipPlusMeeting.pdf>
fill it out completely and mail with your check to: VVBGA, PO Box 2091, South Burlington, VT 05407.

Payment for the Annual Meeting must be received by January 19, 2018, either on-line or by mail for pre-registration rates.

VVBGA Member Benefits include:

- Access to the VVBGA listserv, to buy/sell plants and equipment and share farming information.
- Email subscription to Vermont Vegetable and Berry News.
- Discount of \$10 on the registration fee for events like the VVBGA Annual Meeting.
- Eligibility to apply for an on-farm research grant of up to \$1,000.
- 10% discount on ag. publications from the Brattleboro UVM Extension office (supply is limited.)
- Camaraderie, enhanced communication and fellowship among commercial growers.

Questions? Vern Grubinger, UVM Extension, 802-257-7967 ext. 303, or vernon.grubinger@uvm.edu.

To request a disability-related accommodation to participate in these events, please contact Vern by January 4, 2018 so we may assist you.

Attendance at either of these events will be worth pesticide recertification credit for applicators certified in categories 1A, 2, 3, 6 and 10.

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