WORKSHOP OPPORTUNITY

Nutrient & Disease Management in High Tunnels

Thursday March 31st
9:00am – Noon
with discussion opportunity after lunch*

Catamount Arts – Cabaret Room
115 Eastern Ave, St. Johnsbury

This workshop is designed for experienced producers who want to understand more about managing soils, nutrients and diseases under high tunnels. Participants will learn about soil testing that is specific to greenhouse soils (the saturated media extract), and ways to optimize soil health and productivity.

*Bring a bagged lunch and stay for a farmer-to-farmer discussion about high tunnels to share techniques, tips about timing, success stories and more. Information about NRCS federal programs for high tunnels will be available.

Registration is appreciated. Please call 802-748-3885 x101 or nicholas.comerci@vt.usda.gov

Special Guests

Vernon Grubinger, UVM Extension Professor
Vern Grubinger is the vegetable and berry specialist for University of Vermont Extension and coordinator of the Northeast Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education program of USDA, or NE-SARE. Vern serves as a technical advisor to the Vermont Vegetable and Berry Growers Association. Vern earned his BS in Plant and Soil Science from the University of Massachusetts, and his MS and PhD from Cornell University in Agronomy and Vegetable Crops, respectively. Vern's book 'Sustainable Vegetable Production from Start Up to Market' was published in 1999.

Ann Hazelrigg, UVM Extension Plant Diagnostic Clinic
Ann Hazelrigg is a plant pathologist and responsible for the Plant Diagnostic Clinic at the University of Vermont. Other responsibilities include Pesticide Education and Safety, I R-4, the VT rep for the Northeast Pest Management Network, and Vermont Master Gardeners.