Redhumped Caterpillar

- *Schizura concinna*
- Mid to late July
- Management options:
  - Prune out
  - *Bt*
Blueberry Tip Borer

- *Hendecaneura shawiana*
- Adult lays eggs in spring
- Larvae OW & bores down cane next year
- Prune out below borer
Potato Leafhoppers on Strawberries & Brambles

• Stunting of strawberries
• Limits runner development in strawberries
• Threshold
  – Strawberries: 1-2/leaf
  – Brambles: 10% - 20% canes infested
Spotted Wing Drosophila

- Trapping out in blackberries worked until mid-Sept
- Peak again in September in plantings not necessarily in traps
- Most farms had decent control
Botrytis on Strawberries & Blueberries

- **Strawberries:**
  - infects blossoms & fruit

- **Blueberries:**
  - Blossom & twig blight
  - Bloom important time

- Remove weeds
- Increase air circulation
- Sanitation
- Fungicides
Blueberry Rust

- *Naohidemyces vaccinii*
- Hemlock alternate host
- Spring infections
- Not showing up til later in summer
- Resistant varieties
  - Bluecrop, Earliblue, etc
Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is a sustainable and scientific approach to managing pests. IPM practitioners base decisions on information that is collected systematically as they integrate economic, environmental and social goals. This approach applies to any situation, agricultural or urban, and is flexible enough to accommodate the changing demands of agriculture, commerce and society.

The University of Connecticut IPM Program staff members work directly with and provide educational outreach to commercial growers, natural area managers, groundskeepers, educators and the general public in Connecticut. In addition, they conduct research and offer extension programs in these areas: Fruit, Greenhouse, Invasive Species, IPM Curriculum, Nursery, Turf & Landscape and Vegetables.

**Home Gardeners:** Looking for information specifically for home grounds? Try our Home & Garden Center Fact Sheets.

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**Upcoming Events**

* A Workshop on Disease and Pest Management in the Landscape will be held October 25, 2013

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**News**

* 2013-2014 New England Small Fruit Pest Management

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**Pest Messages**

* The three icons below link to the latest available Connecticut Heated Bed Pest Management and other relevant news.
The University of Connecticut Cooperative Extension’s Fruit IPM Program provides information to commercial growers of tree fruit, small fruit and grapes to help them manage pests through a sustainable, whole plant approach. Information is disseminated through fact sheets, grower meetings, email alerts, research and demonstrations, and one-on-one grower contacts. The Fruit IPM Program emphasizes plant nutrition, soil health, identification of beneficials and pests, scouting and monitoring tools, proper plant and site selection, preventative management strategies, pesticide selection and application, and pesticide resistance management.

### Crop Talk

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