



Pest Management News

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Brown Rot of Stone Fruit

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Grayish-tan spores? Rapidly growing brown decayed areas on fruit? You might have one of the most serious fungal diseases of stone fruits. Click below to read more.

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Insect Pests Infesting 2024 Blackberry Crop

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Much like many of our specialty crops in Arkansas, blackberries are fed on and infested by many insect pests prior to getting them in clamshells or buckets to sell. Spotted-wing drosophila and stinkbugs are infesting much of our blackberry crop in 2024, and growers should be managing these pests each week!

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Demethylation Inhibiting (DMI) Fungicide Safety Screening on Creeping Bentgrass Putting Greens

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Fungicides are generally safe on turfgrasses. However, certain fungicides, particularly ones belonging to the demethylation inhibitor (DMI) group, can cause phytotoxicity to turfgrasses. A screening was conducted on the nine market-available DMI fungicides to determine which were the safest.

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Name that Weed!

Hannah Wright-Smith
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Be the first to send a correct identification to hewright@uada.edu to win a prize! Good luck!

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Encountering sick or diseased wildlife – is it rabies?

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Arkansas has had 16 reported cases of rabies so far this year. The best advice is to monitor a suspected animal from a distance and contact authorities.

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New IGR Bolus Registered to Manage Horn Flies on Cattle

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Altosid IGR XRB was recently registered to control horn flies on cattle. It is an extended release bolus containing the insect growth regulator (S)-Methoprene and prevents adult horn flies from emerging from the manure of treated cattle.



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