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from Ron Reister
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Thank You All so Very Much !!!
It was so Good to see You Here for Fruit Ridge Fest !!!
....and Really So Very Sorry to have Missed You Guys that
Were Busy Riding Shakers and Harvesters.... But We Will
Catch Up with Ya'll !!!
....Hoping and Praying Your Harvest is Going very Well and
Safe with Bountiful Yields !!!

******My Pal Dr. Carlos Garcia--MSU** just mentioned that there is to much **Putnam Scales** showing up at the Delivery Points of **Blueberries**in the Product...On the Berries.... and some Growers are getting 'docked' for it.... Not Rejected....but Docked.

The Adult-Scales are protected from the Insecticide Sprays by a waxy covering.

We are seeing 2nd Generation Peak Crawler Emergence right now. I would almost bet that any of Ya'll that applied Diazinon acupla months back when I mentioned it, will not see any of these...?? Please let me know asap if you did the Diazinon awhile back and are still seeing any of these....Pretty Please...??

See attached for the 'Putnam Scale' detail sheet...with Photo-I.D. There is a List of over 200 products that control these..... If you can live with a 7-Da.PHI you can use Diazinon 50WSP[RUP]which would be your strongest weapon on these... But I think the Imidacloprids[3 Da.PHI] and MustangMaxx[1 Da.PHI]will also get them. Actually, *I doubt very much* that you **BluesBoys** that are doin a good job stayn ahead of the SWDs will see any Putnam Scale Symptoms.

******Q & A...More** Discussion on **Blush** and Blush **2X**.... Here again is the **Short-Skinny** of what you wanna shoot forthat "**Sweet-Spot**"

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++**Figure** the Rate using "'Per-100-Gal'" ...Use 52oz of Blush [orig] per 100g.... or 26 oz. new Blush 2X per 100g ...

++We Need Excellent Coverage..... But I really can't think of any of you that need over 100g-water-acre[GWA]Most of the

beautiful Production Blocks in this Ridge area can do 40 - 80 GWA.... Need Superb Coverage....No Drip-Off

++Wait for some Natural-Color to show up on the Fruit before 1st appln

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++1st Appln should be between 25 & 35 Da.-before-Anticipated Harvest.

++2nd Appln should be about 10 - 15 Da.-before-Anticipated Harvest

++Researchers claim using **Parka** with **Blush** makes for extra-good R.O.I.....3-4 qt.-ac. on Full-Production Trees....Do your TRV Calculations from there...

++Those same Researchers say you will get even better results by adding a NorthAtlantic SeaWeed Product to the Mix.... Our choices are KelPak [24 oz-Ac] or Establish [1 Qt-Ac]

++Travel Slow....Get really really great coverage

++Dont go in the warmest part of the day....Blush really likes slow-drying

++If you're doin straight Blush with no Parka, Add a low-1 Pint-100-rate of InSpray-90

Good Point: KelPak and Establish are Low-Cost-Cheap.

Good Point: Parka when you Dial-Down your TRV will likely run you \$35 - \$45 - Ac.

Good Point: The only place you actually use 52 oz.Blush-Ac. is on Full-Production-Trees where you're needing 100 GWA for good coverage.

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******Provoke 4F**....in 2x2.5ga....Is the latest "Name" in the "Imidacloprids" Group... such as Alias 4F, Montana, Macho, Nuprid, Couraze 4, Wrangler4F....Plus 33 others.... I just noticed in the Warehouse that it is packaged in 2x2.5g.Cases.... Thats different.

This time every year that Imidacloprid stuff starts getting tight, and Deanna buys the best stuff with the proper Michigan Labeling where she can get the best deal.... So.... Provoke in 2x2.5s....

******Alicandros Fruit Grower Tour is this Wednesday....**

A Huge Special 'Thanks Again' to All Ya's that Came and Enjoyed some Michigan Beers and Wines and Fun Entertainment With Us last Friday It was sure Great to See Ya'll !!!