

Vermont Vegetable and Berry News April 6, 20

(Westminster West) Well, can it be too hot for first of April? about 3 weeks ahead weather wise. Garlic is fully up and we top dressed it all this weekend. Winter rye is greening up well and will plow it in shortly. Greenhouse sales have been fine, pansies have sold well as are the herbs. Full crew transplanting as fast as we can and with the new extra greenhouse space, it actually has somewhere to go! Added several major new accounts and feeling the added pressure that it brings,

We've been harvesting baby lettuce for three weeks now. this is out of an early November planting. These plants stayed sturdy and small all winter and have just recently started to grow. Carrots and chard have a great jump on the spring. The greenery on the carrots is well established and the chard is big enough to be sold as baby greens. Samish and 7 green spinach in these tunnels have also been a success. The only dud was mizuna, it went to seed too quickly. I should have known better, that's the nature of overwintered Brassicas.

TRACTORS 101 WORKSHOPS

New farmers will have the opportunity to learn how to use and maintain tractors safely at two workshops to be held in Randolph Center and Montpelier, Vermont. Topics covered include: tractor safety, information on purchasing new and used equipment, and hands-on time driving tractors and learning about different makes