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Powdery Mildew appearing in the squashes. Cucumber beetles gearing up for round 2 and I just
found first batch of squash bug eggs hatching. Found my first ever nest of yellow jackets under
the landscape fabric while weeding; stings on my wrist and leg and plotting my revenge.

(Weare NH) Many plants are fruiting including toms, squash and cantaloupes. Plant growth is
explosive. Very little disease or bug problems so far. A bit of black leg in the potatoes but
rooted out the affected plants, rest look fine. Cabbages early, peas slow. Greens great! Doing a
lot of weed cultivation and weed whacking. Lots of transplanting for succession crops and
prepping for fall crops.

UPDATE FROM THE UVM PLANT DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC (Ann Hazelrigg)

Late blight is all around us – but not yet confirmed here - it has been found in MA, ME and NY
so be on the lookout. Hot dry weather is not very conducive for the disease but that can change
fast. Images at: http://www.longislandhort.cornell.edu/vegpath/photos/lateblight_tomato.htm
to refresh your memory. Continue to scout potato and tomato crops especially in low-lying and
shady areas. It is important to send suspicious samples to the lab for correct ID - I am happy to
look at samples that you want to be sure of.

Potato leafhopper damage showing up on potatoes. The tip burn can be confused with late
blight but late blight would not just affect the tips or edges of the leaves. See:
http://nysipm.cornell.edu/%5C/factsheets/vegetables/potato/plh.pdf. I have had a few cases
of early blight on potatoes (target shaped spots) and also Botrytis leaf blight on potato that ca

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Onion leek moth damage found in Burlington garden. This relatively new pest causes ‘window
pane damage’ on the foliage. Pupae are covered by ‘netting’ and are distinctive.
http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/crops/facts/08-009.htm

I have seen lots of curling, twisting of foliage of tomatoes in home gardens due to the herbicide
contaminated compost issue. If you experience that symptom and have used compost let me
know. Early blight (target shaped spots) and Septoria leaf spot (small spots with gray centers)
showing up on lower tomato leaves. Also Magnesium deficiency causing intervienal (between
the veins) yellowing.

First capture of both male and female spotted wing drosophila confirmed in western MA on
July 3. No SWD found yet by informal network of growers monitoring in VT. If you grow fall
raspberries I would strongly suggest monitoring for this new pest. It’s easy to set up plastic cup
traps with apple cider vinegar and yellow stick card inside. Lots of info at:
http://www.ipm.msu.edu/swd.htm.

UPCOMING EVENTS, for details: http://www.uvm.edu/vtvegandberry/meetings/meetlist.html

Currant Production and Processing. Cherry Hill Farm. Springfield VT. 5 pm July 17.
Organic Weed Control in Vegetables. Hurricane Flats. S. Royalton VT. 5 pm July 18.
Integrating Oilseeds into Diversified Ag. Woods Market Garden, BrandonVT. 3 pm July 24.
Tractor Cultivation Tools for Diversified Production. Cate Farm, Plainfield VT. 4 pm July 26.
Commercial Medicinal Herb Production. Zak Woods Farm, Hyde Park VT, 10 am July 28.