

## Thank you to all of our Sponsors and Exhibitors!

---

Adams County Nursery  
BASF Ag Solutions  
Brandt Consolidated  
Burch Corporation  
Carolina Farm Credit  
Coastal AgroBusiness  
CT Atkins Sprayers  
Durand Wayland  
Helena  
H&H Farm Machine Co.  
IPL Macro Plastics  
Midwest Apple Improvement Association  
Morrow Insurance Agency  
Mountain Valleys RC&D  
NCDA Agronomic Services  
NCDA Marketing Division  
NCDA Pesticide Division  
NCDA Produce Safety Program  
Nutrient Ag  
Onset HOBO Data Loggers  
Rockford Package Supply  
Trece, Inc.  
US Ground Cover  
Vestaron Corp.



## 2022 Southeastern NC Apple Growers Meeting

---

Sponsored by the North Carolina Apple Growers, Inc.  
DoubleTree by Hilton Asheville-Biltmore  
June 9-10, 2022

**Thursday, June 9, 2022**

- 8:30 AM **Registration, Coffee, Visit Exhibit Area**
- 10:10 AM **Welcome and Opening Remarks**  
Presiding - Mr. Ty Lowe, President, NC Apple Growers Association
- 10:15 AM **MAIA- 21<sup>st</sup> Century Apples**  
Bill Dodd, President, Midwest Apple Improvement Association
- 10:45 AM **Survey of the S.E. Apple Industry**  
Dr. Sara Villani, NCSU
- 11:00 AM **Learning by doing” at the new produce handling facility at MHCREC and food safety update**  
Elena Rogers, Area Specialized Agent-Food Safety
- 11:30 AM **Industry Updates**
- 12:00 PM **Visit Exhibit Area; Box Lunch + Ladies Auxiliary Luncheon**
- 1:30 PM **Strategies for Running a Successful Roadside Market and Agritourism Business**  
Moderator: TBD  
Panel: Beverly Mooney (Millstone Creek Orchards), Ty Lowe (Perry Lowe Orchards), TBD (Mercier Orchards)
- 2:20 PM **Panel Discussion: Insights into growing MAIA Apple Cultivars: Challenges in the S.E. and Opportunities**  
*Moderator:* Sara Villani  
*Panel:* S. Villani, B. Dodd J. Klimstra, K. Barnwell
- 3:00 PM **Break**
- 3:30 PM **Graduate Student Updates Session**  
3:30 PM: *RAD Update: Stress, Beetles and Opportunistic Fungi*  
Sean Gresham, Dept. of Entomology and Plant Pathology, NCSU  
3:45 pm: *Prohexadione calcium: an effective vegetative growth retardant and fire blight control agent* – Annie Vogel, Dept. of Horticultural Science, NCSU  
4:00 pm: *Reaching a target crop load with tools to predict fruit set following a chemical thinner application* – Jimmy Larson, Dept. of Horticultural Science, NCSU
- 4:20 PM **Heirloom Apples in the SE**  
Jason Bowen, Horne Creek Living Historical Farm
- 5 PM **Adjournment of Education Session**
- 6 PM Networking hour
- 7 PM Banquet

**Friday, June 10, 2022**

- 8:00 AM: Bus departs from hotel and travels to Henderson County
- 8:40 AM **Stepp’s Hillcrest Orchard (Farmstand/Agritourism)**
- 9:50 AM **Apple Wedge H2A Housing**
- 10:45 AM **Kenny Barnwell Orchard Tour**  
**11:00 AM:** *Managing Opportunistic Pathogens and Pests in a high density system-* Dr. Sara Villani, Dept of Entomology and Plant Pathology, NCSU  
**11:20 AM:** *Insect Management in Orchards during the Summer Months-*Dr. Jim Walgenbach, Dept of Entomology and Plant Pathology, NCSU  
**11:40 AM:** *Hort Science Update: Horticultural Research Update and Summer PGR's* -Dr. Tom Kon, Dept. of Horticultural Science, NCSU
- 12:15 PM **Lunch and Facility Tour at Apple Wedge Packers**
- 2:15 PM **Apple Wedge Packers-Twin Leader Block**
- 3:15PM **Bus departs for hotel**