

BC Fruit Growers' Association Friday File

August 5, 2016



Tree Fruit Replant Program 2017 Applications on-line

Tree Fruit Replant Program 2017/18 replant applications and documents are available on the BCFGA website. Applications may be submitted before the deadline date of October 31, 2016.


A reminder that the program is not “first come, first serve” - the Minister of Agriculture is supporting a ‘Quality Program’, where the project applications of highest quality are funded. Each application is reviewed for completeness and eligibility, then a committee of horticultural specialists scores each application for its quality. Projects are then placed in order of score, and the project with the highest score is funded until all funding is allocated. The remaining projects are placed on a waitlist.

Approved projects are inspected after planting - usually July-August. Since some projects plant fewer trees or do not follow their replant plan, those parts of a project do not receive funding. This releases funding for the next top-rated projects on the waitlist.

Visit our website for more information: www.bcfga.com

The screenshot shows the homepage of the BC Fruit Growers' Association website. At the top, there's a banner with the association's logo on the left and a close-up photo of a red apple on the right. Below the banner is a navigation menu with orange buttons for 'HOME', 'INDUSTRY', 'MEMBERS SERVICES', 'HEALTH & EDUCATION', 'NEWS & EVENTS', 'CONTACT US', 'A FRUITFUL CENTURY', and 'JOBS'. There's also a 'SITE MAP' button and a Facebook icon. The main content area has three columns. The left column is titled 'News & Events' and lists three items: '2016 Farm Fest' (Nov 19, 2016), 'Cherries to California 2016' (May 6, 2016), and 'BCFGA Executive Elected for 2016' (Feb 1, 2016). Below these is a link for 'BCFGA Friday File'. The middle column is titled 'Treefruit Replant Program' and features a green background with the text 'Applications for 2017 Replant Program are now available.' and a link to '2017/2018 Replant Program policies and documents'. The right column is titled 'Who is the BCFGA' and contains a paragraph about the association's role, a 'CALENDAR OF EVENTS' link, and a notice about the 'Deadline for the 2015/2016 Golden Jubilee and Joe Sardinha Memorial nurseries' being November 1, 2015.

How to contact the BCFGGA Office

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Dates and Events- check the [BCFGGA Calendar](#) on our website for more information

Meetings Attended recently and upcoming

Date	Meeting	BCFGGA representative
August 2	Labour Market Conference Call	Glen Lucas, Bunvir Nijjer
August 3	Meeting, Richard Cannings, MP	Fred Steele, Glen Lucas
August 4-5	Orchard tours, John Horgan, Provincial Leader of the Opposition, Richard Cannings, MP	Fred Steele, Peter Simonsen, Glen Lucas, Frank Kappel
August 10	Centre for Plant Health planning meeting	Summerland Varieties Corporation reps
August 10	BC Agriculture Council 'Public Trust'	Glen Lucas
August 10	Apple Clearwing Moth Project Planning	Project Advisory Committee
August 11	BCFGGA Executive meeting	Executive
August 16	Norm Loonie memorial, 10:30 a.m.	
August 17	Fruit and Tree Nut Biosecurity Advisory Committee	Glen Lucas