

#### **EASTERN IDAHO**

# PEST ALERT

BANNOCK, BINGHAM, BONNEVILLE, CASSIA, FREMONT, JEFFERSON, AND MADISON COUNTIES

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## **Field Bindweed**

By Ron Patterson, Extension Educator

The most common weed question I get is how to get rid of morning glory (field bindweed). While it may seem that there is no point because it just keeps coming back, it will only get worse if you ignore it.

A major point of any weed control is to eliminate seed production. Any vines that have seed pods on them should be destroyed.

Fall is a very good time for herbicide treatment. As the temperatures drop perennial plants get the signal to store carbohydrates in the roots for winter survival. The direction of energy flow



is toward the roots. Herbicides applied in the fall will kill more of the roots. Not al of them, but more of them.



If you don't want to use herbicides, the focus will need to be on using up the reserve energy in the roots. This can be done with landscape fabric and constant pulling. Any pulling or tillage needs to be repeated every 14 – 21 days throughout the growing season. Any new seedlings need to be removed.

Controlling field bindweed will take several years. Even after the perennial plant has been killed seedlings will continue to emerge for many years to come.

Here are some fact sheets on field bindweed control.

http://ipm.ucanr.edu/PMG/PESTNOTES/pn7462.html

https://extension.sdstate.edu/field-bindweed-control-yards-and-gardens



## **Home Produce Storage Locations**

By Ron Patterson, Extension Educator

On September 11 we cooked our last butternut squash from my 2021 garden. Potatoes were done in May, the sweet onions lasted until late spring and the shallots were still in good condition until I started harvesting my shallots and onions this summer.

Produce storage in the house can be a little tricky. Most of what we grow in our gardens needs to be eaten shortly after harvest or processed for long-term storage. Some produce can be stored for several weeks, or even months, at home if we can give them to correct conditions.



Here are some articles on storage of homegrown vegetables.

https://extension.colostate.edu/topicareas/yard-garden/storage-of-home-grownvegetables-7-601/

https://

hortnews.extension.iastate.edu/2017/10/home-vegetable-storage-requirements

So how did I get my fresh produce to last so long?

I have a small refrigerator in my basement



for the onions, garlic, and shallots. They do best at close to freezing.

The winter squash does very well in a cool basement room. We have an unheated fruit room in our basement.

The potatoes were a bit more of a challenge. My brother-in-law has a room in his basement that is cooler than mine, but not too cold. So, I kept most of them in my basement, and those that needed to last a little longer I stored at his house, and he got free potatoes in return.

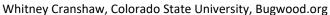
We'll see how long I can store my carrots in the garage this year.



## **Codling moth**

## We will discontinue codling moth information until next spring















# Fire Blight

At this point, prune out any new fire blight strikes as they happen. Don't wait until fall or wintertime. Remember to disinfect your tools between each cut.

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**SEPTEMBER 27 IDAHO HOME GARDEN TIPS** 

**FALL LAWN CARE** 

RON PATTERSON, EXTENSION EDUCATOR

7:30 PM PLANT TALK

**OCTOBER 11 IDAHO HOME GARDEN TIPS** 

**DIVIDING PERENNIALS** 

**OCTOBER 25 IDAHO HOME GARDEN TIPS** 

WINTER PROTECTIONS OF ROSES, GRAPES, CANE BERRIES ETC.

BRACKEN HENDERSON, EXTENSION EDUCATOR

7:30 PM PLANT TALK

NOVEMBER MASTER GARDENER REGISTRATION BEGINS

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK: Photo credit: Klimkin

#### **PHOTO OF THE WEEK:**

If you have fall bearing raspberries, or primal cane berries, you are probably picking berries right now! Even if you don't have raspberries, you are probably enjoying harvesting something from your yard right now! And this displays the love we have for the produce we grow with our own hands. There's nothing like picking delicious fruits or vegetables after a summer of hard work!

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