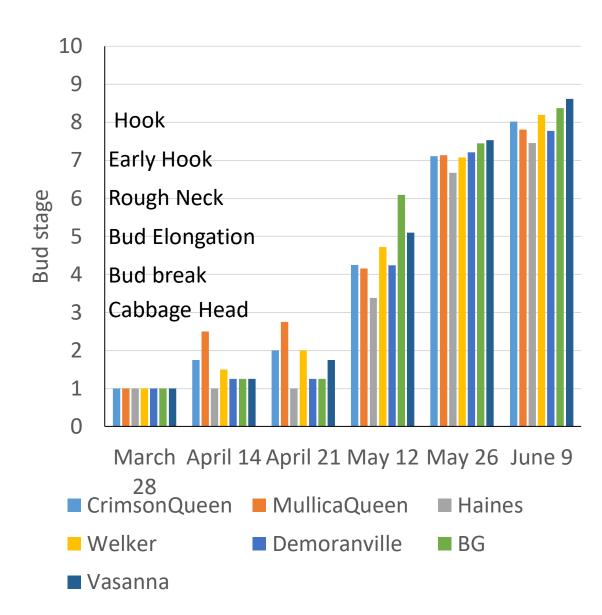
## Cranberry Research Farm Update: 2020 Results

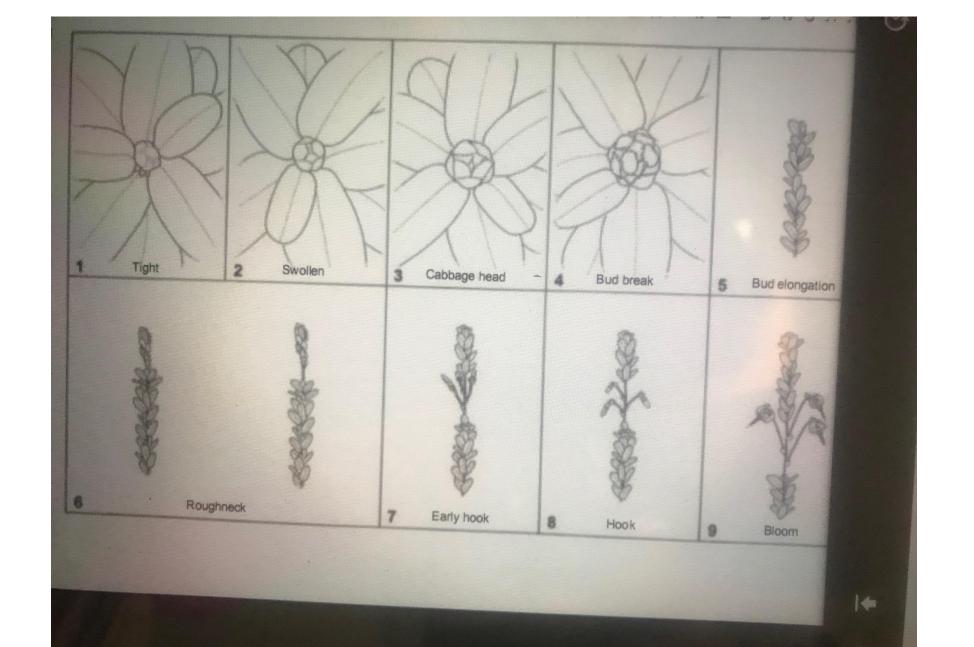
- End of our second 3-year funding cycle with support from IAF
- Yield (2015 to 2020)
- Fruit Quality (2018 to 2020)
- Phenology (2020)
- Rutgers
  - Released Varieties
  - Numbered (only looking at certain numbered varieties)
- Valley Corp
  - Released Varieties

## Upright Phenology

- Every week to 2-weeks to see development of uprights
- 30 uprights in the centre of each plot in Field 1 (Average)
- Varieties combinations e.g.
  Mullica/Crimson compared to Haines
- Upright/Bud phenology impacts
  - When to start frost protection
  - When to stop application of preemergent herbicides (Casaron, Lontrel, Authority)

#### **Bud Phenology**

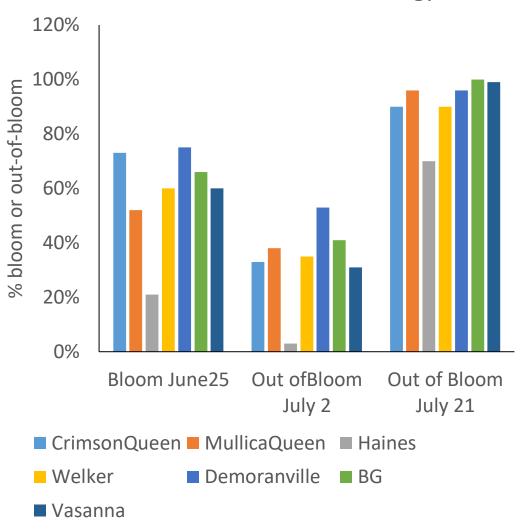




## Bloom Phenology

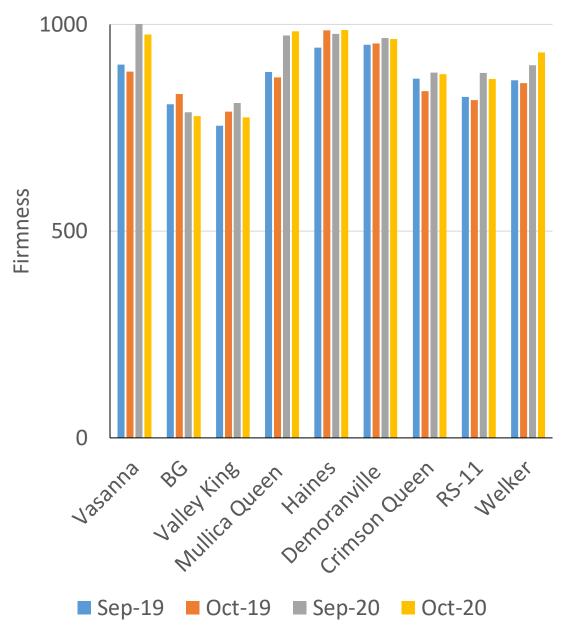
- Continue with weekly check of progress of bloom/out-of-bloom
- 30 uprights in the centre of each plot in Field 1
- Differences in bud phenology match differences in bloom – Queens compared to Haines
- Bloom/Out-of-Bloom impacts
  - Introduction/removal of hives
  - Fungicide timings for fruit rot
  - Insecticide timing for tipworm (post bloom)
  - Insecticide timing for cranberry fruitworm (if you have)

#### Bloom to Out-of-Bloom Phenology



## Fruit Quality: Firmness

- Remember that our assessments are done on HAND-HARVESTED berries
- Use these values as baselines additional damage due to all the steps required for harvest would bring the value down
- The values we've been getting off the vine would get a firmness incentive
- NB: some varieties firmness fairly consistent across 2-years but others seeing yearly differences
- Thank you Miranda Elsby and Ocean Spray lab crew

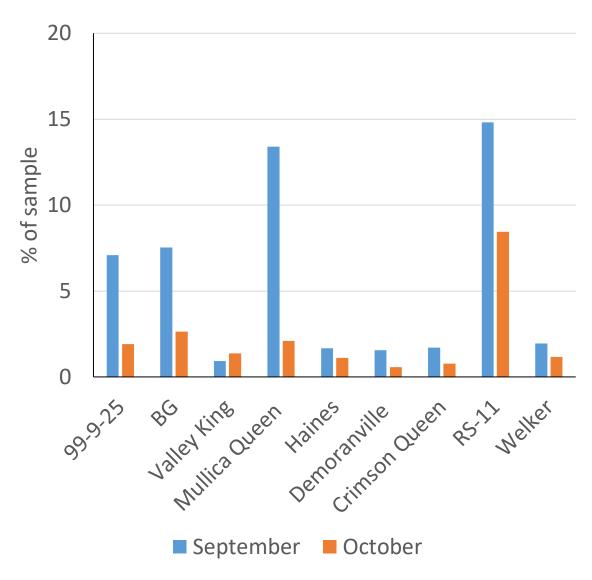


## Fruit Quality: Colour

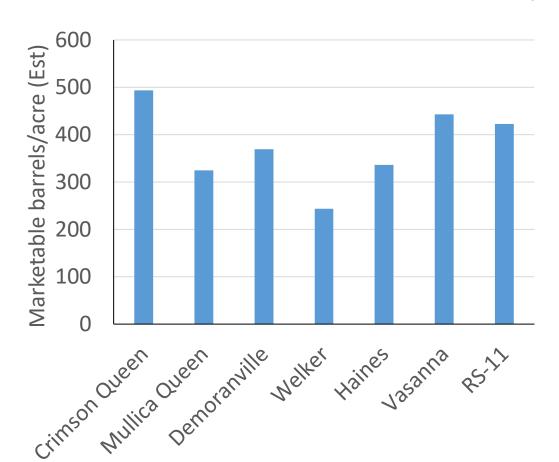
- New method in 2020
- Main thing to share for this year is that all varieties were under the % allowed for Class 1 berries by our harvest dates (Sept 22 and Oct 6)
- NB: Canopy growth impacts colour; BCCRF canopy is only 8 years old

Photo: M. Elsby

DigiEye - % White Fruit (Class 1)

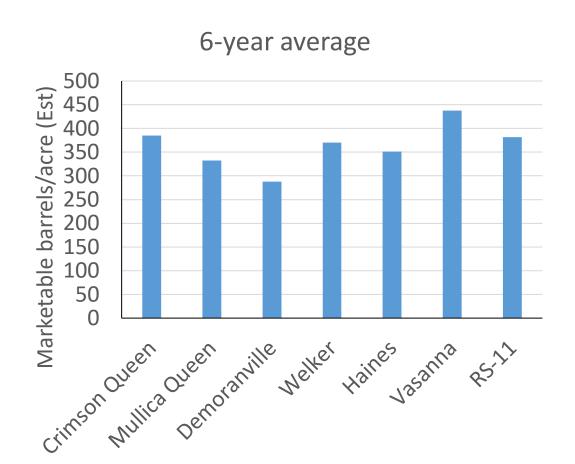


# 2020 data Rutgers released + RS 11 (2013 planting)



- Average was 376 barrels/acre
- Crimson Queen had the highest estimated marketable yield: 494 barrels/acre
- Welker had the lowest estimated marketable yield: 243 barrels/acre (Welker had the highest yield in 2019)

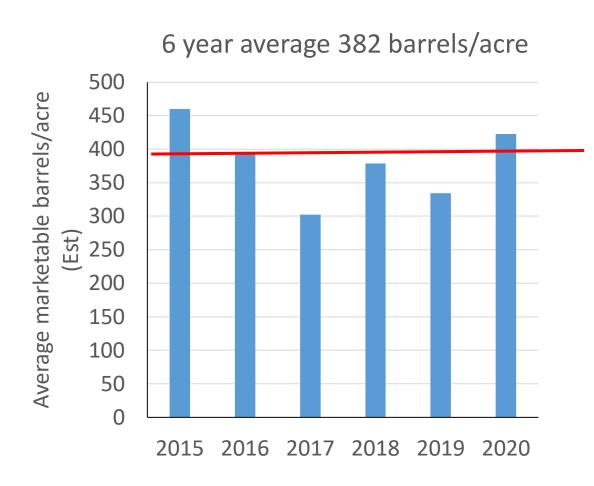
## 6 year average Rutgers released + RS 11 (2013 planting)



- Vasanna has the highest 6 year average marketable yield (438 barrels/acre)
- Demoranville lowest marketable yield (287.57 barrels/acre)

 6 year average was over 300 barrels/acre for remaining varieties

#### **RS-11**



- Data are from Field 2
- 2020 Yield was 26% higher than 2019

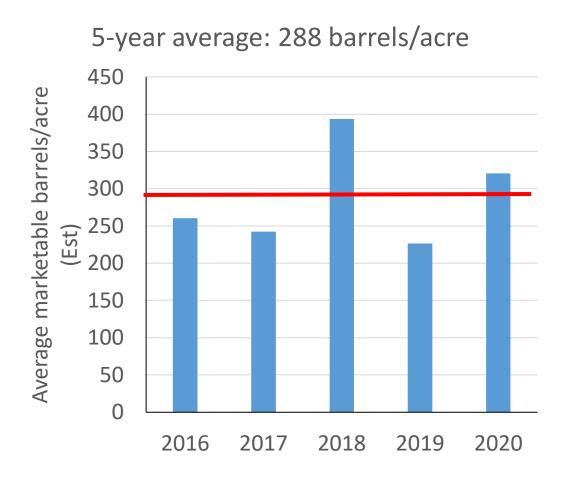
 Colour data supporting late harvest is consistent (TAcy versus DigiEye)

## Valley Corp. Released Varieties

- BG
- Valley King
- Pilgrim King
- Crimson King
- Midnight 7
- Midnight 8
- Midnight 11

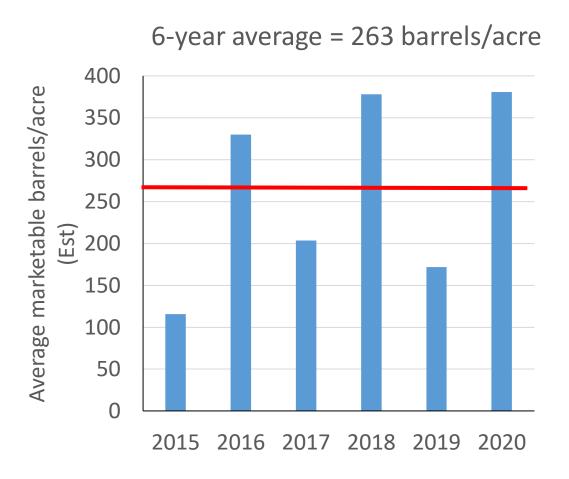
- Valley King has been the highest yielding – 5 year avg: 288 barrels/acre
- BG − 6 − year avg: 263 barrels/acre
- Fruit rot is low in these varieties (same as Rutgers)
- New plantings of GH1 and Midnight 9
- Other Midnights are colour up way too early

## Valley King



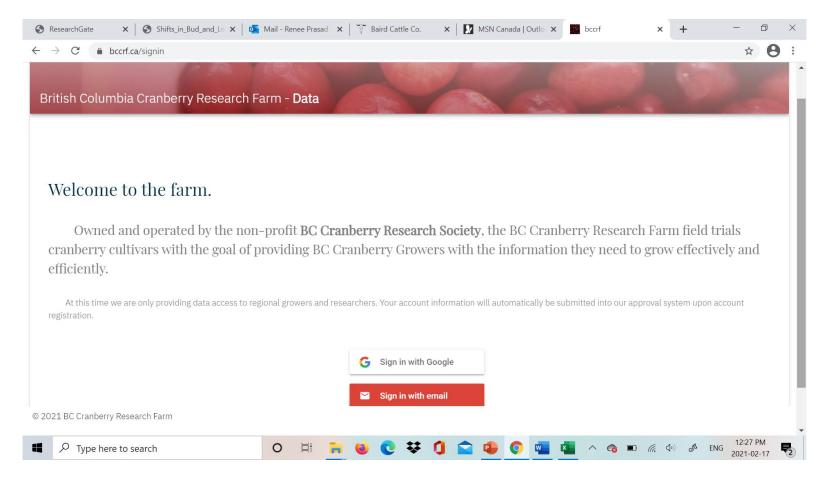
- Data are from Field 2
- 2020 yield was 41% higher than 2019

### BG



- Data are from Field 1
- 2020 estimated yield more than double 2019

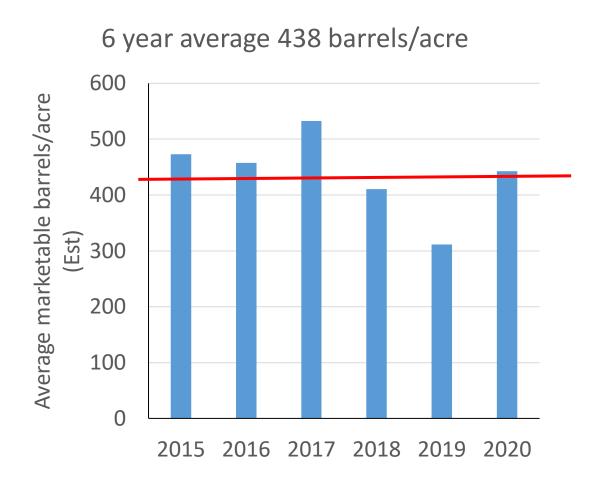
# Growers can now download the data, for released varieties, themselves ...





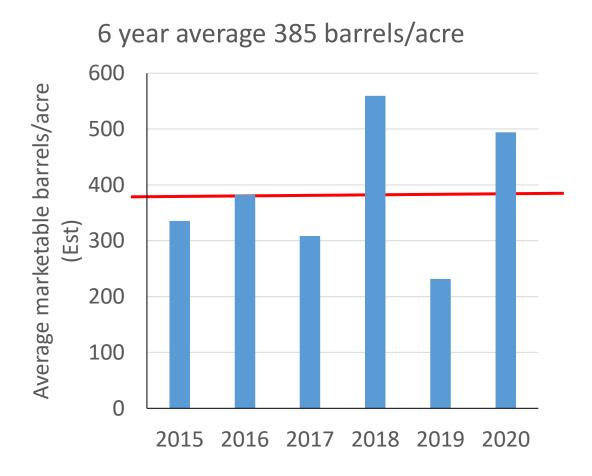
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## Vasanna (RS99-25)



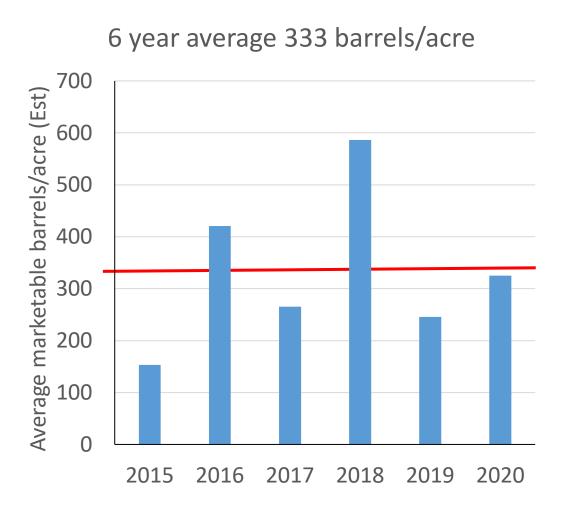
- Data are only from Field 1
- 2020 yield was 42% higher than 2019

## Crimson Queen



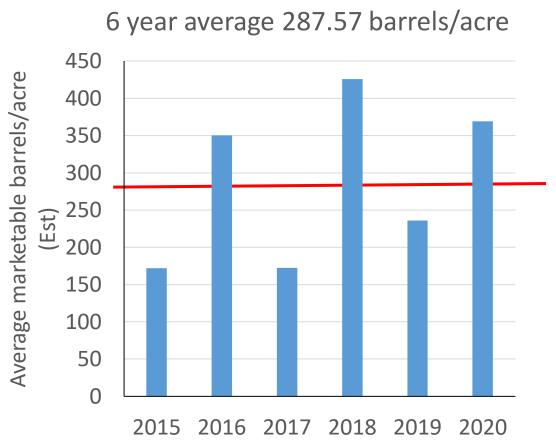
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- 2020 yield was 113% higher than 2019

## Mullica Queen



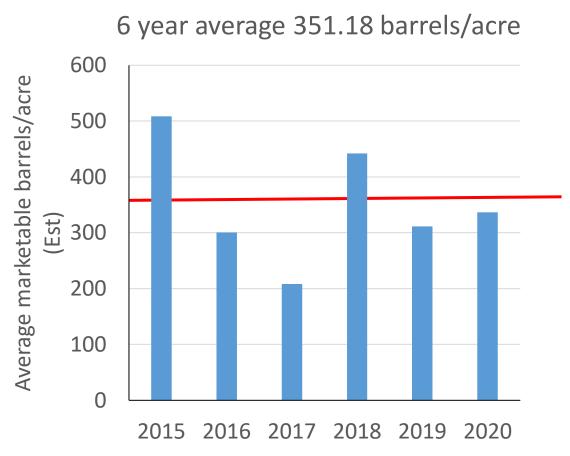
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- 2020 Yield was 32% higher than 2019

### Demoranville



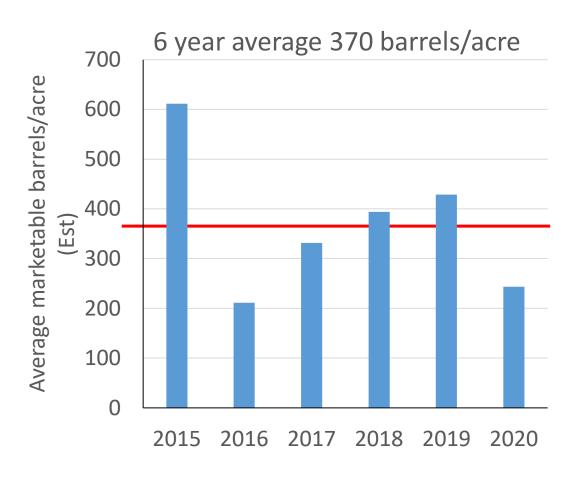
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- 2020 Yield was 55% higher than 2019

#### Haines



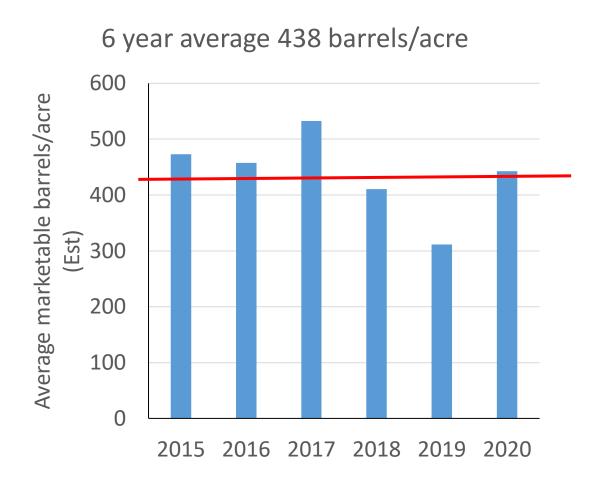
- Data are only from Field 1
- 2020 Marketable Yield was 8% higher than 2019

### Welker



- Data are only from Field 1
- 2019 Welker was only variety with higher yield
- 2020 yield was 43% lower than 2019

## Vasanna (RS99-25)



- Data are only from Field 1
- 2020 yield was 42% higher than 2019

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