

2026 Muck Grower Information Days

**Location – Ontario Crops Research Centre – Bradford (Muck Station)
1125 Woodchoppers Lane King, ON L7B 0E9**

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Carrots

Tuesday March 31

Chair Dennis Van Dyk

TIME	SPEAKER and TOPIC
9:30 -10:00	Coffee and Introduction to the 2026 Program
10:00 – 10:25	Carrot Root Diseases – Peter Rogers
10:25 – 10:35	Industry Update – Bayer Crop Science – Margaret Alexiou
10:35 – 11:20	Muck Vegetable Research Discussion – Matt Sheppard and Christy Visser
11:20 – 12:00	OFVGA Industry Update – OFVGA Staff
12:00 – 1:20	LUNCH
1:20 – 1:40	Update on Carrot and Celery research – Domenic Blass and M.R. McDonald
1:40 – 1:50	Industry update – BASF
1:50 – 2:05	Ontario Crop Protection Hub – Dennis Van Dyk
2:05– 2:15	Industry update – Vive Crop Protection – Art Graves
2:15– 2:45	Highlights of the carrot & beet cultivar trials – Tyler Blauel and S. Janse

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Onions

Wednesday April 1

Chair Afsaneh Sedaghatkish

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9:30 -10: 00	Coffee and Introduction to the 2026 Program
10:00 – 10:20	Tools for managing Stemphylium on onions – Julia Scicluna and M.R. McDonald
10:20 – 10:45	Stop the Rot Video – Lindsey de Toit
10:45 – 10:55	Lake Simcoe Conservation Authority – Lori McLean
10:55 – 11:20	Benefits of Targeted Spraying using AI– Cesar Cappa
11:20 – 11:40	Minor Use update – Josh Mosiondz
11:40 – 11:50	Industry Update – Corteva – Alana Respondek
12:00 – 1:20	LUNCH
1:25 – 1:45	Onion research update – Mary Ruth McDonald , J Scicluna and K. Vander Kooi
1:45 – 1:55	Industry update – Syngenta – Eric Philips
1:55 – 2:15	IPM Update- the year in review and plans for 2026 – Tyler Blauel
2:15 – 2:45	Highlights of the onion cultivar trials – Shawn Janse and T. Blauel