



SUBMITTED SCREENSHOT

The life cycle of the spotted lanternfly, an invasive species.

Protect NC from invasive pest

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The North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Plant Industry Division is asking travelers to several northeastern states to take precautions against the spread of the highly destructive Spotted Lanternfly this summer.

According to Katy Shook, area horticulture agent for the Chowan County Cooperative Extension Agency, North Carolina has no reports of this invasive pest. Spotted Lanternfly is an invasive plant-hopper native to China that could cause billions of dollars in loss to NC agriculture, tourism and trade should it become established in the state. This pest is a hitchhiker and can be easily moved long distances on vehicles, campers and outdoor equipment.

Those planning to visit any of the indicated northeastern states in which Spotted Lanternfly has been found, it is recommended vehicles be thoroughly washed and inspected before leaving. Also, do not move firewood.

Since 2014, the pest has been detected in Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, and Virginia. Reproducing infestations of this pest have been found in 14 counties in Pennsylvania as well as portions of Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, and Virginia.

Spotted lanternfly is a piercing-sucking insect that produces copious amounts of honeydew while feeding. This buildup of honeydew attracts stinging insects like wasps and ants and can cause black sooty mold to

grow on infested plants, as well as homes and businesses, reducing property values. They are a known pest of over 70 species of plant including grapes, stone fruits, apples, maple, willow, oak, and tree-of-heaven. SLF overwinters in the egg stage, hatching into nymphs during late-spring to early-summer. There are four nymphal stages prior to becoming adults in late summer. The 4th nymph stage and adults show a strong preference for tree-of-heaven as their host.

If you think you have seen Spotted Lanternfly, please take a photo (and try to include a size reference such as a quarter or pen) and send it to badbug@ncagr.gov. When submitted a photo, include the location of the sighting, date and contact information.

STEAMERS

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will play Thursday and Saturday at home and Friday at Peninsula.

Other games

Steamers 12, Martinsville 10: The Steamers rallied from behind for the third straight game to defeat the Mustangs, Saturday night, at Historic Hicks Field.

Facing a seven-run deficit, the Clams found a way to win their third straight game.

Entering the bottom of the sixth, Martinsville had a 10-3 lead. Jordan Fitzpatrick began the inning with his first longball of the season. Brycen Thomas followed with a base hit and Mark Ochoa left the yard to bring in two.

Kenny Oyama then dunked an RBI triple into the left field corner. He scored on Mason Holt's RBI base hit. After six, Edenton cut the deficit to two.

In the seventh, three straight Steamers walked with one out to load the bases. Jake Evans then lined a game-tying RBI double down the right field line.

Anthony Stehlin, the next man up, delivered the go-ahead RBI single, giving Edenton their first lead of the evening.

On a night where their starting pitcher only lasted 2.1 innings, the bullpen kept the game within reach and allowed the offense to do the rest.

John Dowless worked two scoreless innings, scattering three hits and striking out one.

Sean Hughes recorded his first save of the season as he struck out the side in the ninth.

Oyama extended his hit streak to seven games.

Edenton hit three home-runs, surpassing last year's total of 37, as they now have 39 on the season. Clams have hit a homerun in 15 of their 17 home games.

Edenton 6, Peninsula 5: For the second consecutive night, the Steamers rallied from behind to defeat the Pilots.

The Clams scored two runs in the seventh and eighth to defeat the Pilots



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Edenton Steamers mascot Sam the Clam tries to beat kids to home plate during a break between innings at a recent game at Hicks Field.

Friday at War Memorial Stadium.

The Pilots got out to an early 3-0 lead, plating two in the first and one in the second.

Jack Eisenbarger started for Edenton and tossed 2.1 innings allowing three earned runs.

Edenton was held off the board for the first three frames. Ian Walters hit an RBI double in the fourth to cut the deficit, 3-1.

In the top of the seventh, Rob Weissheier and Kenny Oyama came home on an RBI double off the bat of Mason Holt, tying the game at 4.

Justin Drpich and Colin Adams delivered back-to-back RBI singles in the 8th to give Edenton their first lead of the night.

In the bottom of the ninth, Payton Rice was called on with two runners on and one out. Rice was able to escape a bases-loaded jam and record his first save of the season.

Kross Robinson, a NC native, delivered 4.2 innings allowing just one earned run, striking out six and earning his first win for the Teal and Black.

Alex Alders lead the offensive charge, going 3-for-5 with a homerun. Colin Adams went 2-for-4 with an RBI.

Edenton 10, Peninsula 9: The Steamers defeated the Pilots in 10 innings July 11 at Historic Hicks Field.

The victory marks the third walk-off win for the Clams in 2019, improving their record to 2-1 in extra innings.

Edenton overcame multiple deficits and an hour rain delay to knock down

the Pilots.

After three innings, Peninsula was up a 7-2. Edenton got within two runs, but Cole Secrest responded with a two-run home run, extending the Pilots' lead, 9-5.

In the bottom of the seventh, the first four Steamers reached against Jacob Pilarski.

Clams got within two when Jake Evans singled to right, plating Justin Drpich. Anthony Stehlin followed with an RBI single of his own, bringing Edenton within one.

Ian Walters rolled an RBI fielder's choice to second base, tying the game at 9.

Nick Torres earned the win behind his two scoreless innings, including stranding a lead-off base runner in the ninth and working around two base runners due to the international tie-breaker rule in the 10th.

Morehead City 12, Edenton 1: The Steamers fell to the Marlins July 10 in Morehead City.

In their first game back since the All-Star break, the Clams got out to an early 1-0 lead when Alex Alders drove in Kenny Oyama in the top of the 1st with an RBI fielder's choice.

Morehead responded quickly with a run of their own in the bottom of the 1st.

Blake Beers made his first start for the Teal and Black. The right-hander went four innings, struck out four and allowed three earned runs.

The Marlins tacked on another four runs in the 5th and three more in the 8th.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



PHOTO COURTESY KIM ULLOM

Roger Smith, president of the Rocky Hock Ruritan Club, awarded 10 seniors scholarships during the group's ladies night picnic/meeting recently. Pictured are (l-r) Faith Byrum, Jacob Forehand, Elizabeth Manning, Shane Spruill, Amy Turner and Jesse Wilson. Not pictured are Lauren Smith, Lindsay Smith, Dylan White, and Michael Winebarger. Congratulations to these deserving seniors!

FRIEDMAN

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course. I enjoy watching local product Jessica Breland own the paint and show off her mid-range jumper in Atlanta for the Dream, but I have found it difficult to become

invested in any other teams.

I see some Big 3 basketball, too. This is a league where former Duke player Corey Maggette won MVP last year, so the quality of play isn't exactly what you might call top notch. It's players you might recognize playing the only

version of basketball most of us could still play.

Wimbledon is enjoyable to watch, but like most people, I have job. The matches air on TV while we work, so I am left watching highlights of Serena Williams and Novak Djokovic wins.

Speaking of Serena, I

saw two things regarding her this week worth mentioning. First, one in eight men polled recently said they thought they could win a point in a game of tennis against the 23-time Grand Slam winner.

In related news, apparently one in eight men polled are idiots.

Secondly, I loved Serena's response to questions regarding when or if she would be willing to stop spending time and energy on racial and gender equality and instead focus it solely in tennis. "The day I'm in my grave" was, in her case, an epic and honest answer.

Unfortunately, with Wimbledon and the World Cup now complete, I guess it's the WNBA, CFL football and the Bassmasters for me until football arrives, and football can't come soon enough.

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BOARD

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directors ran the team from 1998 up until 2015. Then we had a private owner from 2016 until

2018. And then this season, the board of directors took over again."

A new team of senior and freshman committee members returned to Edenton and have been working with Russell for

the past four months to help develop the team's expansion. Although Russell says not much about the leadership has changed from 2015 till now, there are some subtle differences.

"We have the same executive committee that we had in 2015. It was very familiar with the operation side of things," he confirmed. "On the business side, the only thing that has changed is that

there is now beer at the ballpark. So that is something that we have all learned together. Other than that, everything from concession to the general operation of things is the same as it

has been." The board of directors has a contract with Burke to operate the team. They will take full ownership of the team on Aug. 3 before the Coastal Plains League playoffs begin.

ALBEMARLE

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and product development. "Like all Albemarles, her ride will be best in class,

keeping the crew dry and comfortable even when the weather turns. The huge volume of this hull allowed our team to get creative, and she is loaded with features and comfort for the

family. Additionally, our craftsmen continue to raise the bar in terms of construction methods, quality, and fit and finish. I am extremely proud of the 31 DC, as I believe we have

designed the exact boat our customers requested."

Located in Edenton, Albemarle Boats, The Carolina Classic, is a builder of offshore sport-fishing boats from 25 to

41 feet. The company has hand-crafted more than 3,800 hulls since 1978 and is entering its 42nd year in business. Albemarle Boats has dealers throughout the Amer-

icas, Europe and Asia. For information, visit Albemarle Boats at www.albemarleboats.com or contact Burch Perry at 482-7600 or bperry@albemarleboats.com.

CAREERS

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salary of \$65,000.

Three local businesses chose to be the first to participate in this effort: Colony Tire, Jimbo's Jumbos of Hampton Farms and Albemarle Boats.

With openings in auto repair, logistics and fabrication (respectively), these businesses acknowledge the value of recruiting the emerging

workforce (i.e., high school students) as early as possible and via more modern channels. NWDB coordinated with the businesses to determine employees and positions to highlight.

Several 20-inch by 20-inch metal print photos were designed and developed by local photographer, Kip Shaw, to resonate with students, using the hashtag #worklocal, and will be

displayed on the walls at John A. Holmes High school.

NWDB hopes to expand this effort by recruiting more businesses to participate in the #worklocal campaign so more employees can be photographed for future posters. Exposing students to local careers, which can be attained by earning short-term certifications, degrees or diplomas at our

community colleges, such as COA, is the ultimate mission. There is no cost to the business to participate in this #worklocal campaign. NWDB encourages more local employers to participate in initiatives like this where they can increase their chances of filling current and future openings by generating more interest in local careers among our student population.

The Northeastern

Workforce Development Board provides oversight to the NCWorks Career Centers located in the surrounding 10 northeastern counties, which includes Camden, Chowan, Dare, Gates, Hyde, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell and Washington.

For information, contact Emily Nicholson, Northeastern Workforce Development Board, at enicholson@accog.org or at 252-404-7089.

SOCCER

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question for the 2019 Aces is not about the fundamentals. It will be about higher level decision making in the flow of play. This can be a good team."

"We have more pieces than we've had in past," DiMartino agreed. "Although we graduated six starters, we have guys who are ready to step into the breach. We'll have to continue to develop technically and tactically. This camp is so important for us. This is our launching pad, our touchstone. Here we raise the bar, notch by notch, year by year."

The season starts Aug. 19 as Currituck High School hosts the Knights.

FINLAY

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Surfside Sisters - Nancy Thayer
Tom Clancy: Enemy
Contact - Mike Maden

Wherever You Go - Tracie Peterson
Large Print
Only the Stubborn Survive - R.W. Stone
A Season in Heck - Easy Jackson
The Printed Letter

Bookshop - Katherine Reay
The Refuge - Ann Gahart
Books on CD
The Oracle - Clive Cussler
Skin Game - Stuart Woods

DVDs
Stranger Things 2
Charlie Chaplin's Modern Times
The Way of the Dragon & Game of Death
The Big Boss & Fists of Fury

Rocky - All of them 1-6!
Eye of the Tiger, Rocky!
Star Trek: The Next Generation - Seasons 1-7
All Quiet on the Western Front
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