

It's A 'Dog' Day For Rodents

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planted. Three rows of Pink Lady and two rows of Fuji use M9 rootstock.

Weaver's has several rows of sweet cherries, many of the Heidelfingen variety. They also use Beescourt and Cavalier. In addition, Weaver's planted Blue Crop and Blue Ray blueberries.

Soil pH is maintained to a desire level. They fertilize the blueberries with 200 pounds of 26-0-26 in early April. In June, 250 pounds of calcium nitrate were applied. The blueberries, in addition to several rows of red and black raspberries, are also trickle irrigated.

Weaver's charges \$1.10 per pound for pick your own cherries. Blueberries are \$1.35 per pound, red raspberries are \$2 per pound, and black raspberries, \$1.50 per pound.

Weaver's makes use of 9-10 beehives per year for pollination.

The tour concluded with a visit to the Boyertown area, including Shanesville Orchards, Keim Orchards, and Frecon Orchards.



Apples are pick your own, for the most part. Rootstock used is 111, with a few 26s and some 7As, Weaver noted. In the spring of last year some Pink Lady variety were planted. Ed Weaver shows these rows of Pink Lady.

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