The Landing Rate Cou

Newsletter of the South Carolina Mosquito Control Association

The President's Message Trey Reed

Happy 2019 from the midlands of South Carolina! 2018 was a year of ups and downs. We lost some truly dedicated mosquito control professionals in 2018, among them Tommy Bowen, John Grant, and Bruce Harrison. Although 2018 gave us above average rainfall and two hurricanes strikes to the state, we were very fortunate that mosquito-borne disease activity was kept in check thanks in no small part to the efforts of people like yourself. And finally, the Clemson Tigers won a third National Championship in



Trey Reed 2019 SCMCA President

football (which can be an up or down, depending on your perspective!).

This year we will not have a formal association conference in the fall. Instead, there will be a joint meeting of the SCMCA and the Mid-Atlantic Mosquito Control Association (MAMCA) at the Hilton Greenville February 18-20 in 2020. More details will follow in a future issue of The Landing Rate Count.

Finally, please mark your calendars for the 2019 SCMCA Summer Workshop. It will be held Wednesday, June 12 in Pinopolis at the Santee Cooper meeting facility. We'll have a tentative agenda for you in the next newsletter.

Thanks to each and every one of you for the hard work and efforts you put forth to improve the quality of life and health of the citizens of South Carolina and our visitors. What you do every day has a direct impact that is immeasurable but vital to our tourist economy. Most of this work goes unnoticed by the public, but your fellow employees and Association members all know how important your roles are. Be safe, and we look forward to seeing you in June.

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Training Opportunities

Mid Atlantic Mosquito Control Association Meeting

March 26-28, 2019 Harrisburg. PA

South Carolina Mosquito Control Association Summer Workshop

> Pinopolis, SC June 12, 2019

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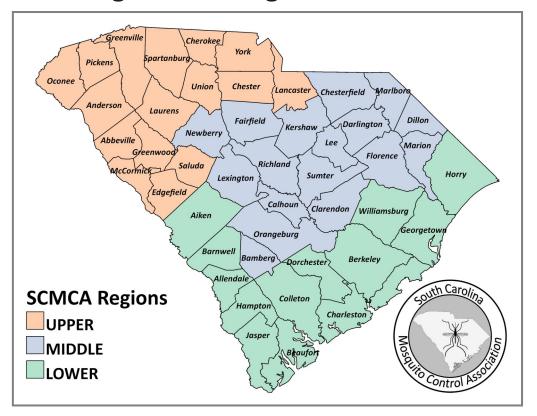
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Upper Region - Amber Leonard



My name is Amber Leonard and I will be your Upper Region delegate for 2019. I attended USC and obtained a B.S. in Marine Science in 2011. I grew up in the Columbia area and moved to Spartanburg with my husband and 7 year old daughter in 2016. I currently work in the Spartanburg office as the Vector Surveillance Specialist and Food Protection team member. I enjoy crocheting, fishing and spending time outdoors with my family. I look forward to serving the association this year!

Middle Region - Brian Giles, MS



Brian has a Bachelor of Science in Crop Protection and a Master of Science in Entomology from The Ohio State University. While having worked in a variety of horticulture-related fields, Brian has spent the bulk of his professional life in horticultural chemical sales. As a crop consultant, Brian would work with growers to solve their pest problems, make recommendations and sell them the material to treat the problem. He has a broad knowledge of pesticides and nutritional products used in the commercial horticultural industry and has also done application work earlier in his career. Recently, Brian accepted a position with DHEC working for Dr. Chris Evans in the state entomology lab. There, he will assist Dr. Evans in the Arbovirus Surveillance Program and support the mosquito surveillance participants throughout the state as well as other duties.

Lower Region - Johnny Bruton



Hello everyone, my name is Johnny Bruton and I work for The City of North Myrtle Beach. I am originally from Loris, SC. I attended Loris High School and Horry Gerogetown Technical College. I have been working for the City of North Myrtle Beach for over 12 years, most of which have been in some part with mosquito control. I started out just driving the spray truck at night after working during the day for the Streets and Drainage Department. I now see to the day to day needs of the mosquito control department. I am the father of two boys, Frankie and Scottie. When not working I enjoy most all sports, racing most notably. Thank you for allowing me to represent you and I look forward to being your Lower Region Representative, I am only a phone call away.

2018 SCMCA Annual Meeting

Highlights



46th Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Mosquito Control Association

November 7-9, 2018

Hilton

Greenville, South Carolina

Presenters



2018 SCMCA Conference Attendees



Larry Motes
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AMCA update



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2018 SCMCA Annual Meeting Awards



Tamara GordonSilver Dipper Award

In recognition for her support to SCMCA and mosquito control in South Carolina



Dr. Jennifer Tsuruda Silver Dipper Award

In recognition for her support to SCMCA and mosquito control in South Carolina



Stacy Harris
Technician of the Year

Awarded to the outstanding Technician or Inspector in mosquito control



Robert Cartner
Presidential Plaque
For his service as the 2018
SCMCA President
Presented by Trey Reed (L)



Dr. Chris Evans with LA Williams (L)

LA Williams, Jr Award

For Outstanding Service and Contributions to Mosquito Control



John Grant

John C Grant Presidential Citation Received Posthumously by: Julie and Aaron Grant



Tommy Bowen

John C Grant Presidential Citation Received Posthumously by: LA Williams

Banquet

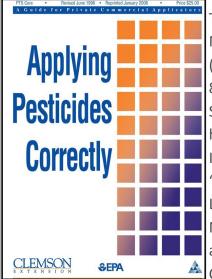




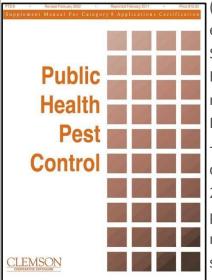
Obtaining a Non-Commercial License for Mosquito Control

Chris Evans, MS, PhD

In order to obtain a Category 8 Public Health Pest Control License, you must obtain training materials prior to taking the exam. No classroom instruction is provided.



The two manuals needed are: (1) Core Manual – Applying Pesticides Correctly (PTS CORE), \$25; and (2) Category 8 – Public Health Pest Control (PTS8-SR18), \$15. Order the manuals online at https://clemson.edu/dpr, click "Exam Information" on the right, then under "Exam Information for SC Applicator's License" click, "Order Exam Study Materials Online." These manuals can also be ordered by phone from the Clemson University Bulletin Room: (864) 656-3261 or (888) 772-2665. The exam fee for the Core + Category 8 is



exam fee for the Core + Category 8 is \$100. Each additional category is \$50. Before taking the exam, you must preregister with the Clemson University Department of Pesticide Regulation (864-646-2150). Specifically, you should contact Holly Lizotte (Phone: 864-646-2164; E-mail: hlizott@clemson.edu) to pre-register. You must provide your name, address, phone number, social security number, and the name of the exam (Category 8). You will be given an

Identification Number. The exam location, date, and time will be set up during the pre-registration process. Directions to the testing center will be provided.

The exam is taken on a computer, and it is offered at testing centers around the state. The exam will cover the core principles of pesticide labels, environmental factors, pest and pesticide knowledge, pesticide laws, pesticide equipment and application techniques, and safe pesticide use, as well as knowledge specific to Public Health Pest Control. The results are known immediately upon completion of the exam.



To County Vector Control Departments in the South Carolina Midlands:

Mid-State Beekeepers Association would like to make you aware of an asset at your disposal. Our organization has grown a great deal over the past several years and we have developed a large email database of area beekeepers. While not all inclusive, we have the ability to quickly send an email alert to our 285 dues paying members and to over 550 local individuals that subscribe to our monthly newsletter in Lexington, Richland, Calhoun and surrounding counties. Of course we encourage all of our active members to register their hives with their local Vector Control departments as a first line of contact should contact be needed.

However if, for any reason, you have a need to send an alert out to local beekeepers we would welcome facilitating that action for you.

Thank You, scmidstatebees@scmidstatebeekeeper.org

Species Spotlight: Aedes fulvus pallens

Description

Adults Aedes fulvus pallens is one of the most striking mosquitoes of the southeastern United States and is unlikely to be confused with any other mosquito in our area. Adults are large and bright yellow and black. The legs, proboscis, and palps are yellow with black tips.

Two large dark spots covered with black scales adorn the otherwise yellow scutum. Wings are dark scaled.

Females will readily bite humans; however, they are rarely encountered in large numbers. They feed mostly on mammals in the wild, including rabbits, deer, armadillos, and rodents. Aedes fulvus pallens is

not known to transmit any human pathogens.



Larvae Larvae of Aedes fulvus pallens are quite large when mature. Setae of the head are variable in size and branching. The siphon is short and stout. The large, branched seta of the siphon arises within the pecten, which has 1–2 teeth separated from the other teeth, and reaches nearly to the tip of the siphon. The saddle surrounds the anal segment. The comb is a large patch of 25 or more scales. Larvae of this species are typically rare; they are found in temporary rainwater depressions along with larvae of Aedes atlanticus and Aedes tormentor.

Distribution Aedes fulvus pallens is relatively rare but may be found throughout the southeastern United States, excluding the Appalachian Mountains.

Burkett-Cadena ND. 2013. Mosquitoes of the Southeastern United States. Tuscaloosa, Alabama: University of Alabama Press.







Distribution of Aedes fulvus pallens in the U.S.

2019 Calendar of Events

Date	Meeting/Event	Venue	Location
Feb 25-Mar 1, 2019	85th Annual Conference of the American Mosquito Control Association	Caribe Royal Orlando Resort	Orlando, FL
March 26-28, 2019	44th Annual Conference of the Mid- Atlantic Mosquito Control Association	Hilton Harrisburg	Harrisburg, PA
March 6, 2019 7:30 am—1:00 pm	Clarke Mosquito Workshop Joe Strickhouser 1-800-323-5727 or www.clarke.com/workshops	Doubletree by Hilton North Charleston Convention Center 5264 International Boulevard Breakfast Served	North Charleston, SC
March 7, 2019 7:30 am—1:00 pm	Clarke Mosquito Workshop Joe Strickhouser 1-800-323-5727 or www.clarke.com/workshops	Courtyard Columbia Downtown 630 Assembly Street Breakfast Served	Columbia, SC
June 12, 2019	South Carolina Mosquito Control Association Annual Summer Workshop	Santee Cooper Somerset Recreation Building	Pinopolis, SC
June 24-June 30, 2019	National Mosquito Control Awareness Week	http://www.mosquito.org/ meetingsevents	
Feb 19-21, 2020	South Carolina Mosquito Control Association 47 th Annual Meeting	Hilton Greenville	Greenville, SC



Mark Your Calendars



June 12, 2019

SCMCA 2018 Summer Workshop

Pinopolis, SC

Check SCMCA website for future updates and an agenda

Hope to see you all there!!

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Resource	Website			
American Mosquito Control Association	http://www.mosquito.org/			
CDC Division of Vector-Borne Diseases	http://www.cdc.gov/ncezid/dvbd			
CDC Zika Virus Information	http://www.cdc.gov/zika/			
Clemson University CEU Search (See your information)	http://regfocus.clemson.edu/dpr/ ncommercial.htm			
Clemson University Cooperative Extension Beekeeping	http://www.clemson.edu/extension/beekeepers/			
Clemson University Department of Pesticide Regulation	http://regfocus.clemson.edu/dpr/			
EPA Insect Repellents: Use and Effectiveness	http://cfpub.epa.gov/oppref/insect/			
Florida Medical Entomology Laboratory (+ID Guide)	http://fmel.ifas.ufl.edu/			
Florida Mosquito Control Association	http://www.floridamosquito.org/Home/			
Mid-Atlantic Mosquito Control Association	http://www.mamca.org/			
NC Mosquito and Vector Control Association	http://www.ncmvca.org/			
SC DHEC Mosquitoes in South Carolina	http://www.scdhec.gov/mosquitoes			
SC DHEC Reporting Dead Birds in South Carolina	http://www.scdhec.gov/birdtesting			
SC DHEC Zika Virus Information	http://www.scdhec.gov/zika			

Save the Date and Join Us...

For the 47th SCMCA Annual Meeting jointly with MAMCA February 19-21, 2020 at the Hilton in Greenville, SC



SC DHEC Zika Virus Information
Society for Vector Ecology

SC Mosquito Control Association

USGS (Arbovirus Disease Maps)

South Carolina Aquatic Plant Management Society

SC Bee Keeper Association (Local assoc. links)





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http://www.scstatebeekeepers.org/

http://diseasemaps.usgs.gov/mapviewer/



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