



# Haskap Days 2017 Schedule of Events

## DAY 1 – WEDNESDAY JULY 19

### Haskap School - Growing Haskap: Introductory Course

**Location:** U of SK Campus, Biology Building, Room #106 - <https://goo.gl/maps/xrtWroGJFC2>

8:30 AM: Registration

9:00 AM: Haskap Biology

Introduction to Haskap and its general characteristics

9:30 AM: Haskap Types & Varieties

Differences between Russian, Japanese, Kuril, and Canadian Haskap. Haskap Breeding at the U of SK. New and future varieties.

10:30 AM: Break

10:45 AM: Growing Methods

Soil requirements, planting, pruning and training, designing a field for cross pollination, common pests and diseases, weed control

12:00 PM: Lunch - Bring own lunch or eat on campus: <https://goo.gl/maps/cZ3sEvS1obq>

1:00 PM: Harvesting and Using Haskap

How to tell if Haskap is ripe, harvesting options and machinery. Haskap products including wine, spirits, dairy, natural food dye, cooking

2:00 PM: Haskap Research

Recent Haskap research at U of SK including nutritional value, adaptability trials, Soil testing, etc.

2:30 PM: Wrap-up

## DAY 2 – THURSDAY JULY 20

### University of Saskatchewan Haskap Orchards Tour

#### Presentations

#### Tradeshow

**Location:** U of SK Hort Fields, 2909 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Saskatoon - <https://goo.gl/maps/NLPhgPRCJZ22>

8:30 AM: Registration

Note there will be 3 harvesters demonstrated:

Joanna premium: 2 generations newer than our Joanna 3, this was designed to specifically for haskap. It picks branches closer to the ground. We will try it on old and young plants. It is a tractor pulled, sideways harvester designed to cause minimal fruit damage.

Indigo superteck AR15: This harvester is pushed along by the pickers and does not use a tractor. Being lower cost it may be best for smaller acreages.

Proberry by Pro-innov: A new harvester manufactured in Quebec. It is an upright harvester that is pulled by a tractor.

9:00 AM: Field #21. 6 years old, has Russian and Japanese germplasm, some hybrids, Indigo Gem, Boreal Beauty.

9:35 AM: Field 22. 2 and 3 year old plants. Taste testing.

10:00 AM: Field 14 - Wild Canada collection, Boreal Beast & Tundra, Maxine early generation selections

10:30 AM: Field 6 - 4 year old variety trial, Aurora, Boreal Blizzard, Honey Bee, Borealis, Tundra. Harvesting Demos.

11:00 AM: Field 12 - 3 year old seedlings, Stenantha fast growing hybrids, This is the newest orchard to come into production.

Harvesting demo of small plants. Visitors may want to taste some of the Saskatoon berries that are next to field 12, they should be near peak harvest time. New Russian trials in Field 16.

12:30 PM: Lunch – Pizza, Beverages

#### **1:00 – 3:30 PM: Trade Show**

1:00 – 1:15 PM: **Marg Sullivan**, HCA President and Dr. Bob Bors – Intro and HCA Update

1:15 - 1:30 PM: **Brian Kosterofski** – Marketing in Today's World

1:30 – 2:00 PM: **Saskatchewan Food Industry Development Centre Inc.** (Food Centre) – Food Safety and Upcoming Changes

2:00 – 2:15 PM: **Mark Reed** – The Importance of Rooting in Vitro

2:15 – 2:30 PM: Rex Vandenberg -

2:30 – 3:00 PM: Break

3:00 – 4:00 PM: **Provincial Rep Round Table** – *Regional Updates and Experiences* - 5 min each X 10 regions plus Q/A. (Yukon, BC, AB, SK, MB, ON, QC, NS, NB, PEI) and possibly some international guests.

4:00 PM: Closing comments

[www.haskap.ca](http://www.haskap.ca) / [www.fruit.usask.ca/haskap.html](http://www.fruit.usask.ca/haskap.html)

#### **HCA Board of Directors - Supper Meeting**

5:30 PM – 7 PM - Crossmount Cider Company

## **Haskap Daze! Social**

7:00 – 9:00 PM

Crossmount Cider Company - <https://goo.gl/maps/KaJCw5F7cBt>

<http://crossmountcidercompany.ca/>

Tour: \$15 (includes 6 cider samples)

### **Ticket Auction**

Donated Items will be auctioned from 7 – 7:30 PM for \$2 each / 3 for \$5 and drop in paper bag of choice.

Several draws during the evening

## **DAY 3 – FRIDAY JULY 21**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Annual Scientific Symposium for Haskap Research & Development**

**Location:** U of SK Campus, Biology Building, Room: #106 - <https://goo.gl/maps/xrtWroGLjFC2>

8:30 AM: Registration – **Welcome and MC: Dr. Bob Bors**

9:00 – 9:40 AM: **Dr. H.P. Vasantha Rupasinghe**

Professor and Killam Chair in Functional Foods & Nutraceuticals,

Department of Plant, Food, and Environmental Sciences,

Faculty of Agriculture, Dalhousie University

*Nutraceuticals in fruit and Haskap / Haskap Nutraceutical Research at Dalhousie University*

9:40 – 10:00 AM: **Dr. Bob Bors** – *Haskap Nutraceutical research at the University of Saskatchewan*

10:00 – 10:15 AM: **Julie Lajeunesse** – *Research in Quebec: What has been done so far*

10:15 – 10:30 AM: **Aleksandr Yareshehenko** – *Haskap in the Ukraine: Present Status and Breeding Achievements*

10:30 AM: Break

11:00 – 11:30 AM: **Laurie Brown** – *Pilot project on Haskap Irrigation*

11:30 – 12:00 PM: **Dr. Bob Bors** - *Haskap breeding and variety Trials*

12:00 - 1:00 PM: Lunch (catered)

1:00 – 1:30 PM: **Manuel Gosselin** – *Grouping Producers and Supply the Quebec Way*

1:30 – 2:00 PM: **Open forum:** Grower Trials and experiments

2:00 – 3:00 PM: **Producer Round Table** – Forrest Scharff – Moderator and Presenter – *Matching Scientific Research to Producer Needs*

3:00 – 3:30 PM: Wrap-up and Next Steps

## **DAY 4 – SATURDAY JULY 21**

### **Haskap Canada Tour Day**

**Location:** University of Saskatchewan Horticultural Fields, 2909 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Saskatoon

<https://goo.gl/maps/NLPhgPRCJZ22>

8:30 AM: Meet at Horticultural Fields

9:00 AM: Depart in car pools

9:30 AM - **Black Fox Distillery & Haskap Orchard**

<https://goo.gl/maps/VtqW4jRY9wk>

11:00 AM – **Lucky Bastard Distillery**

<https://goo.gl/maps/2yJBKDusmhQ2>

12:00 PM – **Peter Rhodes Orchard** and **Picnic Lunch** (Pulled Pork, Coleslaw with H Berries, Buns, Drinks, Haskap Gelatino from Jerry's Food Emporium) **Cost:** \$15/plate (Catered by Carol Vandale's son: Alex Vandale)

<https://goo.gl/maps/3dQnymgXTrp>

2:00 PM: Two Options for Orchard Tours:

Option #1 - 40 min Drive: **Brad Beznoska Orchard** (Delisle, SK) From Delisle, Go west on 673 about 3 miles, When 673 turns north, continue straight ahead on the gravel road until it ends (3 miles after the 673 goes north) Go North, it is the second farm on left about 2/3 of a mile. It has a nice white wooden fence around a grazing area. Lat 51.935817 Log -107.282040. Brad has 3 acres of Tundra and Berry Blue, 7 years old never pruned. His plants are the largest of their age that Bob Bors has ever seen. Also sour cherries, apples and Rhubarb. He changed the topography of his land to allow for better drainage and has helped others to do this, including advising provincial experts.

Option #2 – 1 hour & 40 min drive: **Northern Lights Orchard** (Carl Barber) <https://goo.gl/maps/K5SjGnPzVU82> & **Heavenly Blue Haskap Orchards** (Hamish Graham/Rex Vandenberg) <https://goo.gl/maps/mf7F2ZzRJ4w> Carl has about 10 Acres and Hamish about 40 acres. Both orchards are about 8 years old. Both growers have innovative ways of planting and maintaining their orchards.