



Northeast Organic Farming Association of Rhode Island

Serving Farmers, Gardeners & Consumers with Education and Outreach

2017 Winter Conference Schedule

8:30 – 9:00	Registration	Exhibit Hall
9:00 - 9:15	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Main Room
9:15 -10:30	Keynote Address: DAVID HAMBLETON <i>Balanced Farming - How to Grow a Profitable Farm & a Joyful Life!</i>	Main Room
10:30–10:50	BREAK	
10:50–12:00	Concurrent Sessions: A, B or C	
	A: Low Till Gardening Techniques for Carbon Restoration -Round Table Jack Kittredge & Julie Rawson of Many Hands Organic Farm, MA; John Kenny of Big Train Farm, RI & Others	Main Room
	B: Regenerative Farming: How a Diverse Group of Livestock Can Improve Your Farm's Eco-system Ben Coerper & Rachael Slattery, Wild Harmony Farm, RI	Demo Kitchen
	C: Beekeeping in Sustainable Farming Liyeng Peng, Beekeeper, P&L Bayside Apiary	Board Room
12:00–1:00	POTLUCK LUNCH, NETWORKING	Exhibit Hall
1:00 – 1:30	N O F A /RI Annual Meeting Jan Martin, NOFA/RI President	Main Room
1:30 – 2:40	Concurrent Sessions: A, B or C	
	A. Make it Personal: Marketing Your Farm Business Without Gimmicks David Hambieton, Sister's Hill Farm, NY	Main Room
	B. Pastured Poultry Production Pat McNiff, Pat's Pastured Farms, RI	Demo Kitchen
	C. Basic Accounting For Farmers Julia Shanks, Julia Shanks Consulting, MA	Board Room
2:40 – 3:00	BREAK	
3:00-4:10	Concurrent Sessions A, B or C	
	A. Planning & Growing For a Winter CSA Ashley Loehr, Sparrowbush Farm, NY	Main Room
	B Investment Decisions & Enterprise Budgeting Julia Shanks Consulting	Demo Kitchen
	C. USDA Organic Certification by RI DEM Matt Green Environmental Scientist, RI DEM Division of Agriculture	Board Room