

TIO Agronomy Update

Turnip Moths

The larvae of the turnip moth (cutworm) can cause significant damage to all root crops. Damage occurs in dry seasons. Normally in the south treatment is required around the 20th of June if dry conditions prevail.

The cutworm is very susceptible to water from irrigation. This is a satisfactory control method and will also benefit crop development. However once they reach the burrowing phase this is no longer a good control so timing is everything!

The latest HDC bulletin shows that a few moths have now been recorded in the midlands, however hatching of the earliest laid eggs in the south is not predicted for at least another week.

Willow Aphid - update

Latest accumulated counts from the Rothamsted Survey show that willow aphid numbers have been below average this year in Lincolnshire and Yorkshire. No colonies have been seen in early carrot crops to date.

Carrot fly - First Generation Update

Below is the up-date for 50% egg laying (generation midpoint) for the first generation.

Region	Predicted 50% Egg Laying
Wattisham Suffolk	19 May
Coltishall Norfolk	20 May
Holbeach Lincs	15 May
Kirton Lincs	19 May
Coningsby Lincs	16 May
Watnall Notts	16 May
Leeming Yorks	23 May
Leuchars Fife	28 May
Dyce Grampian	4 June
Kinloss Grampian	30 May

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