

**TOMORROW! Pick Your Own Alert! Raspberries!!**

**Details below.**



Happy Friday, Farm Friends! Welcome June!



And there it is -- it's June! Amazing. With the calendar flip, I guess we are about as busy as these guys. We're flitting from place to place getting things done -- trying to attend to all of the weeding, planting, harvesting, packing and a thousand other things on the to-do list. And, we need to remember to be like the bees -- take time to smell the flowers.

We didn't see too many bees out and about with all the rain. How much did you get? We got a bit over 2 inches -- but our friends right down the road got 3.5". On Monday evening, some of the darkest clouds I've seen rolled in from the south. We always get nervous when storms come in from that direction

because they are usually pretty strong. But to take the edge off of the anxiety, there was a beautiful rainbow. And the end was in our potato field -- perfect spot for a pot of gold, don't you think?



It's been a planting -- or getting ready to plant -- kind of week. Elise and Camille got lettuce planted and Cheryl got the squash in the ground. Jonny and Camille worked on clearing the space for grow bags in the Pavillion and getting the bags filled and ready for cucumbers and ginger. And Ray was working on the field for the sweet potatoes.



Sweet potato slips came in this week! Now they are hanging out in a climate- and moisture-controlled environment biding their time until they get planted on Monday. The slips are beautiful! We got them from [Country Farm and Home](#) in Pittsboro.



### Berry Picking Good!



Insert your hands here....

We'll have our first **Raspberry Pick Your Own** in a v-e-r-y long time on **Saturday, June 3 from 8-11 am**. Honestly, I can't remember the last time we have a raspberry-only PYO -- it's been that long.

Saturday is supposed to be a beautiful day, but the temps are supposed to climb into the mid- to upper 80s by the afternoon. We want to let you pick while the day is cooler, and the berries are happier! So come early while it's cool and the picking is easy.

We'll provide picking containers but please bring a container to take them home. Having a cooler in your car is a good idea. Raspberries are very fragile and don't do well in hot cars.

In addition to raspberries, we'll also have a variety of produce available for purchase.

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday!

### **The Cub Gets a Scrub!**

Ray is getting one of the [Farmall Cubs](#) cleaned up and ready to go to a new home! We ended up with more Cubs than we could handle and need to thin the herd. Need a sweet little cultivating tractor for your garden?



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That's the news from the farm for this week!

For your sky-watching pleasure, Saturday will be the [Full Strawberry Moon](#). It will be at its brightest at 11:43 pm. Sounds like it will be a great evening to look at the sky and the moon -- and enjoy the profusion of lightning bugs! They've been putting on quite a show in our fields lately.



Until next week,

*Cheryl & Ray*

