



## Cotton Insect Newsletter

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\*\*\* THIS IS THE LAST NEWSLETTER OF THE 2007 SEASON \*\*\*

### Fall Field Day (NEXT WEEK – THURSDAY)

This is THE LAST REMINDER that you are invited to our Fall Field Day at the Edisto Research and Education Center near Blackville, SC, on 6 September 2007. Registration will begin at 9:00AM. Tours and programs will begin at 9:30AM. Lunch will be from 12:00 to 1:00PM. The cotton/soybean program will be immediately after lunch. <http://www.clemson.edu/newsroom/articles/2007/august/Fall-Field-Day-at-Edisto-REC.php5>

### Crop Situation

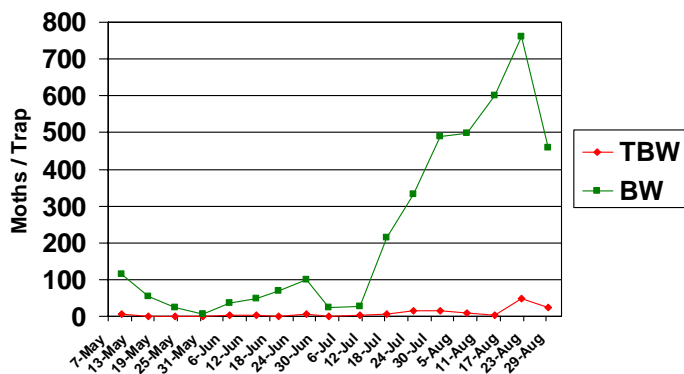
As of 26 August 2007, the USDA NASS South Carolina Statistical Office had our progress at 13% bolls opening, just behind the 5-yr average of 15%. About 1% of the state's cotton crop was reported to be in excellent condition. The remainder was reported as 13% good, 47% fair, 30% poor, and 9% very poor. These are observed/perceived state-wide averages.

### Tobacco Budworm & Bollworm

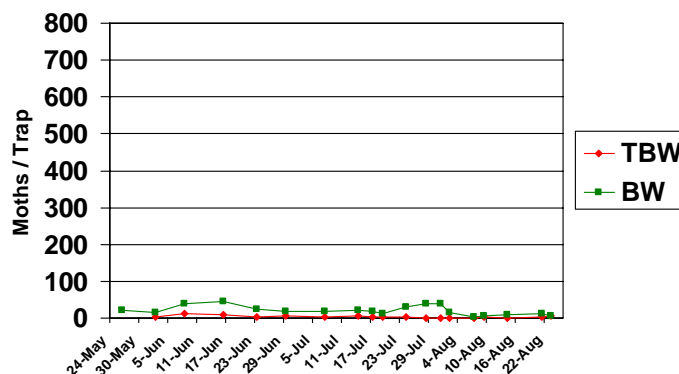
I told you so! Look back at Newsletter # 6 (14 June) <http://www.clemson.edu/edisto/cotton/newsletter-061407.pdf>. Not to “toot my own horn” or parade my prowess with the “crystal ball”, but I said we were going to be covered up in bollworms. To come down a notch, logically it was inevitable with all of the corn acreage.

Captures of adult tobacco budworm and bollworm in pheromone traps at EREC for this season and last season are pictured below. We detected decreasing numbers of tobacco budworm and bollworm moths this past week. The majority of cotton is well past susceptibility to bollworm, but we keep monitoring to follow the trend. It looks like the big flight is finally coming to an end. The scales on the 2007 and 2006 charts are the same and demonstrate how much larger our bollworm numbers were this year compared with last year.

Pheromone Trap Capture (EREC - 2007)



Pheromone Trap Capture (EREC - 2006)



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### **Printed Cotton Insect Recommendations**

Copies of “Cotton Insect Management” (IC 97) recommendations are available at your local county office. You can visit the following website for an electronic version of the recommendations:

<http://www.clemson.edu/psapublishing/pages/ENTOM/IC97.PDF>

### **Need More Information?**

Log on to the following webpages to view important cotton management recommendations, data, and historical cotton insect newsletters:

<http://www.clemson.edu/edisto/cotton/cotton.htm>

<http://www.clemson.edu/scg/ipm/cotton.html>

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