

Suncoast Tropical Fruit and Vegetable Club

Meeting Notice

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 14, 2018
Where: Main Room Nokomis Community Center
234 Nippino Trail East, Nokomis, FL 34275
Agenda: 6:30 pm Chat and Tasting Table
7:00 pm Introduction and Presentation
8:30 pm Plant Raffle

Speaker: Bill Mee

Topic: Growing Lychees in Florida

The lychee is a rare sub-tropical fruit that originated over 2000 years ago first in the north tropical rainforests and mountain forests of Southern China, where it is a dominant tree species. The lychee is very important in Chinese culture and is famed as “the King of Fruits.”

The second place wild lychee trees began to emerge was in southern sub-tropical low elevations of Southern China in the provinces of Guangdong/Kwangtung and Fujian/Fukien primarily along rivers and near the seacoast. There are still villages in Southern China today with lychee trees that are over 1000 years old.

Bill Mee has been growing Lychees in Florida for over 25 years. Bill’s presentation will be wide ranging covering the different varieties of lychees and how to successfully grow them in Florida.

Additional information is available at Bill’s website www.lycheesonline.com