

Holcomb Farm CSA Newsletter – July 31, 2006

This Weeks Crops

Watermelon

Cucumbers

Summer Squash

Zucchini

Lettuce

Tomatoes – a few later in week

Cabbage

Kale

Chard

Fennel

Calaloo

Carrots

Garlic

Pick Your Own Crops:

Cherry Tomatoes – a few

Green Beans

Flowers

Basil

Perrenial Herbs: sage, oregano, thyme, mint, summer savory



Relief for crops from the irrigation system.



Relief for the farmers from Gino the Popsicle Angel.

Farm Update:

The heat sure is here but our major mid summer crops aren't here in a big way yet. Our early tomatoes are just starting to ripen. Our eggplant suffered severe early stress from insects and will be a small crop this year, particularly compared to last year's great eggplant crop. Our early peppers got planted late and won't yield much for a couple of weeks. If you just can't wait for peppers, our neighbors at The Garlic Farm have a bumper crop of pesticide-free peppers at their farmstand.

We do have plenty of watermelon, cucumbers, summer squash, and lettuce. Our onion crop may be the best we've ever had.

It was good to see that the new potatoes have been popular, particularly the Red Golds. We still have some blue potatoes left and we'll give them out in the next couple of weeks. Our larger fall potato crop should start coming in mid-September. Next year we'll be sure to plant more to have a steady supply throughout the summer and into the fall.

In addition to harvesting, weeding, and planting fall crops, we are on the irrigation treadmill, moving pipe and riding around the farm on the electric scooter troubleshooting leaks and clogged sprinklers.

