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PMU Focus

We now have confirmation that we are dealing with *Nylanderia fulva*, not *Nylanderia (=Paratrechina) pubens* as we once believed. The details of this identification can be accessed by searching for "The Importance of Using Multiple Approaches for Identifying Emerging Invasive Species: The Case of the Raspberry Crazy Ant in the United States" (PLOSOne, Gotzek et al. 2012). It should be live by tomorrow. How do we know that our ants are *N. fulva*? Ants from Jacksonville and Gainesville are included in this publication's analysis. While it is possible that some brown-looking crazy ants are *N. pubens*, we know that we also have to deal with *N. fulva*, a completely different species. At this time, there is no formally accepted common name for *N. fulva*, but the "tawny crazy ant" is being proposed to the Entomological Society of America's certifying body.

Just because we have undergone a name change does not mean that management recommendations will change for this ant. Please visit our website for additional information and tools to help explain this pest to homeowners, including the legal limits in insecticidal applications (<http://schoolipm.ifas.ufl.edu/Florida/crazyantpests.htm>).

Important Management Facts

- 100% eradication of this ant is not probable in areas where the ant is established; however, population suppression is possible.
- Expect the ants to reinvade.
- There is a legal limit as to how often products can be used; do not be pushed into doing "extra" treatments.

Multiple control tactics will be required, including baiting grounds and perimeter treatments of buildings. Product selection is critical to success. Some products are better at excluding ants from structures.

For Faith's full article on *N. fulva*, see the November issue of Florida Pest Pro. For more information on PestPro, <http://www.floridapestpro.com/index.html>



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PMU Reminders

Master of Termite Management for 2012

Do you have new technicians that with some experience could be *great technicians*? Would you like to have *hands-on experience* evaluating 50+ construction types for termite management? If so, then you need the ***Foundations of Termite Management***

Date: Sept 26-28, 2012; W-F

Place: UF/IFAS Apopka MREC

Time: 8 AM-5 PM (W, TH); 8 AM-12 PM (F)

Cost: \$350

Class is FULL, but we have a waitlist. If you are interested in the waitlist, contact us by Sept 21, 2012; Friday. If you intend to take the state exam on Sept 29, your application should already be approved by FDACS. Questions? Please contact Joe Parker:

Joseph.Parker@freshfromflorida.com

Joe will lead a review session after lunch on Sept 28.

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Master of GHP Management for 2012

Master of GHP takes GHP management to the next level. Match wits with bed bugs, other blood-suckers, stinging insects, occasional invaders and invasive species. Must have completed GHP Foundations before advancing to Masters.

Date: Oct 24-26, 2012; W-F

Place: UF/IFAS Apopka MREC

Time: 8 AM-5 PM (W, TH); 8 AM-12 PM (F)

Cost: \$350

Registration will close on **Oct 16, 2012**. If you intend to take the state exam on Oct 27, your application should already be submitted to FDACS.

Questions? Please contact Joe Parker: Joseph.Parker@freshfromflorida.com

Joe will lead a review session after lunch on Oct 26.

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Learn more from IFAS



- UF/IFAS has Extension Offices in each of Florida's sixty-seven counties. We also have twelve Research and Education Centers (RECs) and Research and Demonstration Sites (RDSs).
- If you need help a great place to start is your local County Extension Office. With an office located in every county it has never been easier to partner with the University of Florida and your local County Government. To find an office near you please visit:
<http://solutionsforyourlife.ufl.edu/map/>