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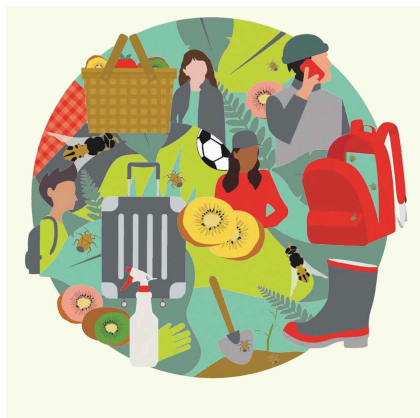
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THIS IS US BIOSECURITY 2025

Community biosecurity protects our kiwifruit



Everyone connected to the kiwifruit industry can help protect what we've got and keep unwanted pests and diseases away. A new booklet from KVH provides guidance about how everyone in or close to the kiwifruit community can help identify biosecurity risks and address them. The bright, colourful guide is in four easy-to-follow sections.

[Read more here.](#)

Coming soon: KVH AGM



KVH's Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place at 9am on Tuesday 18 August 2020 at the Trustpower Arena in Mount Maunganui, and will include guest speaker Ian Proudfoot, KPMG Global Head of Agribusiness who will talk about the challenges and opportunities brought about by COVID-19 for the kiwifruit industry.

[Read more here.](#)

KVH director nominations



The KVH Board is calling for nominations for one grower director for a term of three years as Simon Cook's term as grower elected representative is ending (Simon will be re-standing for this vacancy). Nomination forms can be downloaded from the KVH website.

[Read more here.](#)

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Kill a large woolly nightshade in 60 seconds

Shelterbelts need to be free of weeds that cause problems in the orchard. KVH has regularly alerted orchardists to get rid of weeds such as moth plant, woolly nightshade and pampas, all native to South America and hosts of the Australian insect passion vine hopper, which causes sooty mould to develop on fruit – a significant reject factor reducing kiwifruit orchard returns.

[Read more here.](#)

Stink bug measures show results

Strict biosecurity requirements for imported cargo have reduced the threat of Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB) and even tougher rules will be introduced next season. There were 57 interceptions of live BMSB during the 2019/20 season (September 2019 to April 2020) – a reduction of 73% from the previous season.

[Read more here.](#)

Watch USA experts talk about controlling BMSB

Back in February KVH ran its six monthly KiwiNet workshop, including a special session with international guest speaker Kim Hoelmer and his research colleague Elijah Talamas.

They were in New Zealand speaking to several audiences about Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB) and their filmed technical talks are now freely available to watch.

[Read more here.](#)

Grafting? Protect your investment

KVH has reminded growers considering grafting this winter to protect their orchard investments by following good biosecurity rules. These apply whether grafting one plant, one hectare or a whole new development block.

[Read more here.](#)

Be aware of the rules around moving nursery plants

If you have purchased young kiwifruit plants and have them sitting in a temporary nursery please check with KVH before moving them to avoid inadvertently breaking plant movement control rules. Moving diseased plants to multiple locations could quickly spread threats such as a new or resistant forms of Psa or an undetected harmful soil pathogen.

[Read more here.](#)

New Waihi weather station



In a recent Bulletin we announced we were after a new home for the Waihi weather station to support local growers and had great feedback from several people putting their hands up to be hosts. After assessment and a site visit to discuss suitability, the station was set up early June at its new home on Waihi Beach Road, feeding data into our online Weather & Disease Portal.

[Read more here.](#)

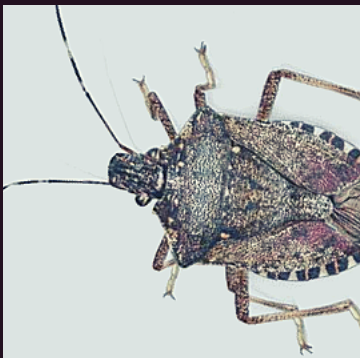
Calling all biosecurity champions



It takes all of us to protect what we've got but there are a few champions worth celebrating - could this be you or someone you know? If so, it's time to shine a light on achievements with the upcoming 2020 New Zealand Biosecurity Awards.

[Read more here.](#)

Be on the lookout for BMSB over winter



The high-risk season may be over, but this is a pest that infests homes, hibernates inside them over winter, and is almost impossible to get rid of. If you see a Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB), don't kill it. Catch it, take a photo, and report it.

[Read more here.](#)