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Annual Psa R&D update: you're invited



Want to hear what's new in the world of Psa research? We would like to extend an invitation to growers, contractors, postharvest and merchants to attend our annual Psa R&D update. Our objective is to share key outcomes from the research portfolio that will help you develop your on-orchard Psa disease management programme.

[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.](#)

Grower roadshows: biosecurity plans



Growers are invited to special presentations in all growing regions about KVH's proposed new Pathway Management Plan. Running throughout September, the events will be focused on the proposed new regulation framework to better manage biosecurity risk to the kiwifruit industry. Late last year we asked for feedback on our early, high-level thoughts about specific activities the Plan will help manage, and how it will be put into action.

[Read more here.](#)

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Joining forces to tackle unwanted pests and diseases

Tauranga Moana Biosecurity Capital (TMBC) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Biosecurity New Zealand to build regional capability in preparation for any future biosecurity incursions.

TMBC will identify skills and expertise across its network – which includes KVH and many others from the kiwifruit industry - and then work with Biosecurity New Zealand and other partners to train and prepare champions across the region who can participate and support a biosecurity response, should an unwanted pest or disease reach our shores.

[Read more here.](#)

Community biosecurity helps protect 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 split into four easy sections.

[Read more here.](#)

Insights into kiwifruit growers' positivity about biosecurity

A recent survey of growers and workers in kiwifruit and several other Bay of Plenty industries has affirmed that people are onboard with protecting New Zealand from biosecurity threats and think it's important everyone plays their part. The 'Biosecurity Excellence at the Port of Tauranga' initiative ran a survey a few months ago of four industries in the Bay of Plenty region: kiwifruit, forestry, avocado, and passionfruit.

[Read more here.](#)

Biosecurity tops business priority list again

Biosecurity has retained the number one ranking in KPMG's annual Agribusiness Agenda priorities survey for the tenth year in a row. KPMG's Head of Agribusiness, Ian Proudfoot – who we are lucky enough to have giving an exclusive talk at this year's industry AGMs - said biosecurity was a top of mind matter for primary sector leaders.

[Read more here.](#)

Biosecurity risk at a glance



The latest KVH Dashboard is now available, providing a quick overview of biosecurity risk and the work KVH is doing to manage risk for the kiwifruit industry.

[Read more here.](#)

Fun Fact: stink bugs smell like old socks!



You read that right old socks. And coriander. Skunks too. These are just some of the things the stink of the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB) has been compared to. The two main chemicals responsible for the BMSB's stinky spray are called trans-2-octenal and trans-2-decenal. The latter is what gives coriander its smell.

[Read more here.](#)

Spotlight on Biosecurity Week



Biosecurity in the Bay of Plenty will be celebrated with the Tauranga Moana Biosecurity Capital (TMBC) annual Spotlight on Biosecurity Week from Monday 2 – Friday 6 November. This week is all about highlighting the importance of protecting what we love about Tauranga Moana and showcasing the awesome biosecurity work that's being undertaken across the region.

[Read more here.](#)

KPCS nurseries come together



More than 20 nurseries were represented alongside KVH in early July at a forum to strengthen communication and partnership with nurseries who are part of the Kiwifruit Plant Certification Scheme (KPCS). There were several discussions, particularly related to planned enhancements of the KPCS so that it aligns well with the proposed new Pathway Management Plan and Plant Production Biosecurity Scheme.

[Read more here.](#)

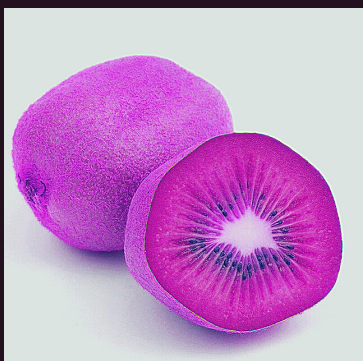
New Hawke's Bay Regional Coordinator



KVH welcomes new Regional Coordinator Gaz Ingram, who will be working with Hawke's Bay kiwifruit growers, offering support to help manage and reduce further spread of Psa, and build awareness of other pest and disease risk in the region.

[Read more here.](#)

Seed campaign kicks off



Biosecurity New Zealand is running a social media campaign encouraging New Zealanders to buy seeds from local suppliers. Demand for fruit and veggie seeds skyrocketed during the COVID-19 lockdown, leading to increased interest in online providers based overseas – some of whom KVH is aware have been offering varieties of kiwifruit seed for sale.

[Read more here.](#)