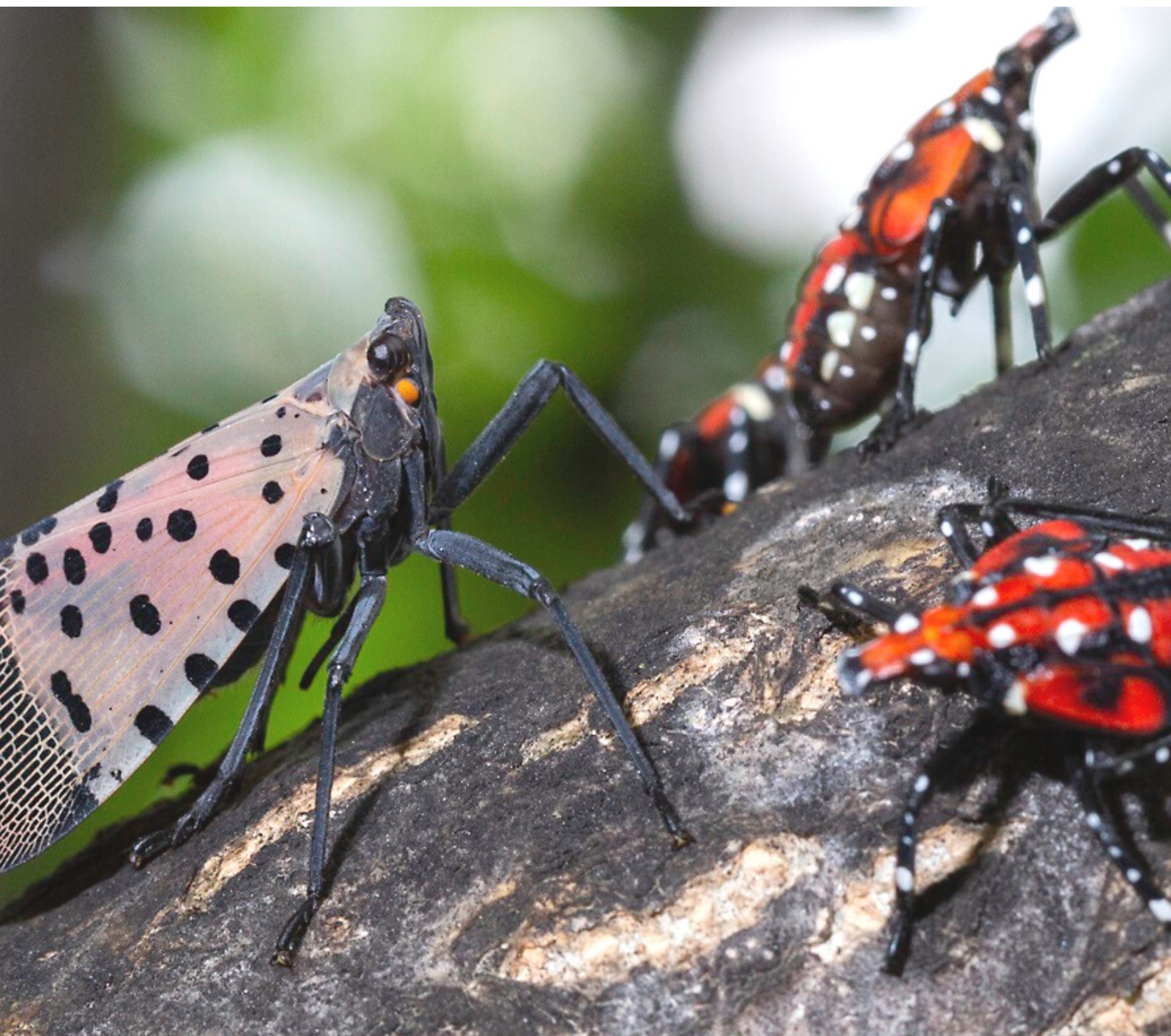


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# KVH Snapshot

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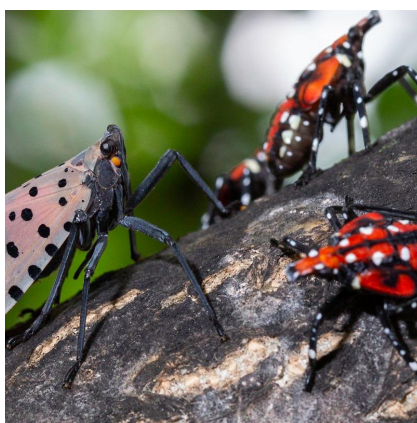
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THIS IS US BIOSECURITY 2025

## Building BMSB awareness



Spring community biosecurity promotion in the Bay of Plenty is underway courtesy of the Tauranga Moana Biosecurity Capital (TMBC) initiative - if you're in the Mount you'll see the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB) banner is back up on the Hewletts Road silo, and coming very soon is a fun social media campaign involving quizzes and loads of prizes. We'll keep you updated via the Bulletin and KVH website. You won't want to miss this!

## New Annual Update out now



The KVH Annual Update 2019/20 has been published. The booklet details KVH's key activities over the last 12 months, including research and readiness projects in preparation for some of the biggest threats to kiwifruit - including the Spotted Lanternfly - and the work we do within the industry to increase awareness and commitment to biosecurity.

[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 from 15 September, the events will be focused on the proposed new regulation framework to better manage biosecurity risk to the kiwifruit industry.

[Read more here.](#)

The KVH Snapshot provides you with brief biosecurity messages that you can reproduce and share. Contact [lisa.gibbison@kvh.org.nz](mailto:lisa.gibbison@kvh.org.nz) for more information related to the topics listed, or to add others to the Snapshot distribution list.



## Pests and diseases in Italy focus of KiwiNet

KVH ran its six monthly KiwiNet workshop early August, with around 70 people from across the kiwifruit industry attending the day's presentations.

The second KiwiNet workshop of 2020 included a special session with Craig Thompson (recent Zespri Global Supply Manager for Europe and current Zespri Representative on the KVH Board) about high-profile biosecurity threats in Italy. Craig has been on the frontline with Italian growers, postharvest, and scientists trying to combat Psa, Moria disease, and BMSB - all pests and diseases we're working to keep out of New Zealand.

[Read more here.](#)

## Searching for orchards with Psa symptoms

As an extension to the Cut It Out survey project, Fruition Horticulture is developing new grower resources that include footage of Psa symptoms. For these print and video resources, the Fruition team need to film and photograph examples of Psa symptoms on-orchard, as well as people taking action against the symptoms (e.g. cutting out).

[Read more here.](#)

## AGM results

The KVH Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held on Tuesday. Thank you to all those who were able to attend the virtual event. All Resolutions were passed at the AGM.

[Read more here.](#)

## Follow budwood requirements

Budwood movement is still a focus for some at this time. As it poses a high-risk of disease transfer, growers have been reminded to follow all KVH requirements if sending, receiving, or transferring budwood between KPINs. Growers should check requirements in the KVH Protocol for budwood available online and ensure that any budwood movements have traceability records taken and retained.

[Read more here.](#)

## BMSB research update



KVH and Zespri (through the Biosecurity Innovation portfolio) have commissioned an extensive offshore research programme to help improve our understanding of the impacts caused by Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB) in kiwifruit orchards. As part of this work programme we are also looking to help improve our understanding and optimise the use of biocontrol for managing BMSB in kiwifruit.

[Read more here.](#)

## Fun Fact: footwear gets seedy



Did you know that on average each gram of soil removed from airline passengers' shoes has at least two seeds in it?

Research found that footwear in international passengers' baggage contained soil that had around 2.5 seeds in it, 41 nematodes (wormlike plant-eating insects) and high counts of both bacteria and fungi.

[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.](#)

## Te Puna weather station host wanted



We're looking for a new home for the Te Puna weather station, to support local growers. The Te Puna station has been part of our network since 2016, but now needs a new site as the orchard changes ownership. An orchard site, or piece of open ground close to the current site on Snodgrass Road would be ideal to provide good continuity of data for growers in the area.

[Read more here.](#)

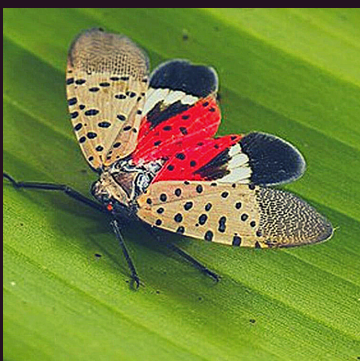
## Help spread the biosecurity word



You, your family, and friends can follow KVH on Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube social media pages. We use the pages to engage with more people across the wider kiwifruit industry and share biosecurity messages with the public. It's important to us that everyone is involved in biosecurity and sees that they have a part to play in helping keep out unwanted pest and disease threats.

[Read more here.](#)

## A beauty of a beast



Did you know one Spotted Lanternfly (SLF) egg mass can produce 50 new suckers? Who even knows how many egg masses one SLF produces! Don't let this pest's exotic design and cool colours fool you – it is a big problem overseas and has quickly become a threat to kiwifruit and many other horticultural industries.

[Read more here.](#)