

# KVH Snapshot

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## Here are the 2021 Top 10 priorities...



RANK 2021	RANK 2020		ACTION
1	1		World-class biosecurity
2	2		Sign high quality trade agreements
3	4		Deliver broadband equality to all
4	NEW		Covid-19 – Resilient supply chains
5	NEW		Covid-19 – Labour availability

## Biosecurity tops business priority list again

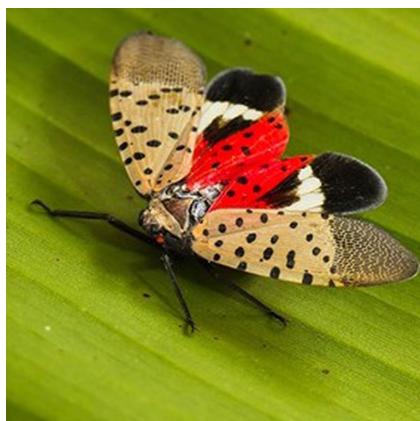


Biosecurity has retained the number one ranking in KPMG's annual Agribusiness Agenda priorities survey for the 11th consecutive year.

KPMG's Head of Agribusiness, Ian Proudfoot said primary sector leaders have input into the report and in a year where the world has been dealing with what is, hopefully, a once in a generation zoonotic pandemic it is no surprise that biosecurity retained its number one rank.

[Read more here](#)

## Invite to learn more about Spotted Lanternfly



Plant & Food Research, in association with industry groups including KVH, has organised workshops on preparedness for the potential arrival of Spotted Lanternfly (SLF) in New Zealand.

The workshops will be based around a webinar and discussion on SLF impacts and management with Julie Urban from Pennsylvania State University.

[Read more here.](#)

## KVH AGM



KVH's Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place Wednesday 18 August 2021, at the Trustpower Arena in Mount Maunganui.

The meeting starts at 9am and will include guest speaker Ian Proudfoot, KPMG Global Head of Agribusiness.

[Read more here.](#)

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## KVH director nominations

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

[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 anything unusual and think it could be a Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB), don't kill it. Catch it, take a photo, and report it.

[Read more here.](#)

## Travel bubbles and increased risk

With the Trans-Tasman and Cook Island travel bubbles opening up, passenger numbers through our airports are rising again and so is the risk of potential biosecurity threats.

We started thinking .. aside from the more common and potentially devastating finds of fruit, veges, seeds, and plant material, what bizarre interceptions made the news?

[Read more here.](#)

## Successful Fieldays

KVH enjoyed a busy few days at the annual Mystery Creek Fieldays. Growers visiting our area within the Zespri stall were interested in biosecurity issues and the lunchtime sessions with short addresses from Zespri, KVH and NZKGI were well-attended.

[Read more here.](#)

## Psa status

In preparation for grafting season, KVH gets lots of queries around Psa status of orchards.

Plant material cannot be moved from a Psa positive to a Not Detected orchard. If a KPIN has not had a positive test result or KVH has not been contacted with confirmed Psa positive symptoms on the orchard, then that KPIN will be recorded as Not Detected in the KVH database.

[Read more here.](#)

## Remember to remove unpicked fruit by 1 July

Growers are reminded that unpicked kiwifruit must be removed from vines by 1 July each year. If picking has been delayed through weather or labour shortage, please inform KVH of the delay and expected time the orchard will be picked.

[Read more here.](#)

## Grafting? Protect your investment

A reminder to all growers considering grafting this winter to protect their orchard investments by following biosecurity protocols. These apply whether grafting one plant, one hectare or a whole new development block.

[Read more here.](#)

## KVH takes part in lab open day

The Plant Health and Environment Laboratory (PHEL) of the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) is New Zealand's national plant health reference laboratory responsible for identifying and confirming all suspect new plant pests and diseases, and invasive plants found in New Zealand.

Recently KVH was invited to a Government Industry Agreement (GIA)-partner open day at PHEL in Auckland, to meet the science team, and hear more about their biosecurity surveillance and incursion investigation role.

[Read more here.](#)

## Tougher stink bug measures

In the wake of another successful stink bug season, enhancements to import rules are being considered that will make it harder for the invasive pest to establish in New Zealand.

Under proposed changes to the Biosecurity New Zealand import health standard for vehicles, machinery and parts, Poland will be added to the list of 37 risk countries. This will mean vehicle imports from Poland will need to undergo treatment or other approved measures before arriving in New Zealand.

[Read more here.](#)



## It's that time of year again: calendar underway



Believe it or not we're working on the always popular 'unwanted pest' calendar already. The calendar is produced by KVH every year as part of the Port of Tauranga Biosecurity Excellence initiative, where we work with the Port and local Biosecurity New Zealand office to consistently raise the bar for biosecurity awareness and behaviour for all those who work at or near the Port. You can order soon!

[Read more here.](#)

## Fun Fact: imagine facing three million stink bugs



A fact out of the USA about these pesky pests: a group of 25,000 Brown Marmorated Stink Bugs (BMSB) invading your home (which isn't an uncommon amount) could produce a summer population of almost three million in the immediate vicinity of your property. Yuck!

[Read more here.](#)

## Come to the big biosecurity symposium



You're invited to join the Tauranga Moana Biosecurity Capital's fourth annual symposium - the initiative's biggest event of the year - showcasing biosecurity in action. Presenting at the event will be committed biosecurity doers and thinkers who are sparking action through technology, science, education, and collaboration across the country towards biosecurity excellence. There is no cost to attend and a networking lunch is included.

[Read more here.](#)

## Import suspension manages fruit fly risk



The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) has suspended imports of lychee and mango from Taiwan, after fruit fly larvae were found on fresh fruit at the border.

On Friday 18 June five larvae were detected on a consignment of vapour heat-treated (VHT) lychees from Taiwan and formally identified as Oriental Fruit Fly – a species of serious threat to the kiwifruit industry.

[Read more here.](#)

## Business Pledge activities underway



The Biosecurity Business Pledge now has a formal activity programme to support Pledge members progress their commitment to integrate proactive biosecurity practices into their business culture and operations. The kiwifruit industry (including KVH, Zespri and Trevelyan's) is active within the Pledge partnership.

[Read more here.](#)

## KiwiNet reminder



KiwiNet members should have received an invite to the July 2021 workshop.

There will be several presentations including special guest Karen Williams, who will talk about the successful pea weevil eradication in the lower North Island which was built on a collaborative industry effort.

Contact KVH at [info@kvh.org.nz](mailto:info@kvh.org.nz) or 0800 665 825 for more information.