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**13 June 2016**

## **Western Australia's Qualicado Workshop invite**

Avocados Australia's next Qualicado grower workshop will be held in the Western Australian growing region on **Thursday, 23 June at Joe and Shane Bendotti's Bendotti Orchards, Pemberton.**

According to Avocados Australia's CEO John Tyas, this year's program will cover a range of topics aimed at helping the industry to improve quality and productivity.

"Our Qualicado workshops represent a program of continuous improvement for avocado industry members," Mr Tyas said.

"Growers, packers, wholesalers, ripeners and transporters are encouraged to participate in this program because our goal is to improve fruit quality for Australian households."

**All growers from all regions are welcome to attend sessions from the other regions as well as their own if they are interested.**

All Qualicado dates are on the Avocados Australia website ([click here](#) to view them).

Western Australia's Qualicado program and property directions can be viewed (and printed) from the Avocados Australia's website ([click here](#)).

### **PROGRAM**

**08.30am Tea and coffee on arrival**

09.00am Welcome by Neil Shenton, Avocados Australia Director, Western Australia

09.05am Avocado Program and Industry Update - John Tyas, Avocados Australia

09.45am Making your Supply Chain Work- Noel Ainsworth, DAFQ

10.20am Using the Best Practice Resource (BPR)

**10.30am Morning Tea (30mins)**

11.00am Managing for Productivity and Quality - Simon Newett, DAFQ

11.45am Crop Nutrition: Calcium - the neglected element - Ross Milne, Nutriani

12.15am A different perspective on pollination - Dr Brad Howlett, Plant & Food Research

**12.30pm Lunch (45mins)**

01.15pm Export Development - John Tyas, Avocados Australia

01.30pm Using imagery and robotics technologies to improve productivity - Assoc. Prof. Andrew Robson, University of New England

02.10pm Marketing Update - TBA

02.30pm Orchard Walk - John Tyas, Joe & Shane Bendotti, Simon Newett & Noel Ainsworth

03.15pm Wrap Up & Close - John Tyas, Avocados Australia

*Note: This program may be subject to change*

**Special Reminder:**

Please wear clean shoes when visiting the orchard to help us meet recommended orchard biosecurity measures. Don't forget a hat and please also advise us if you have any special dietary requirements.

Please RSVP to Amanda Madden on 07 3846 6566 or [admin2@avocado.org.au](mailto:admin2@avocado.org.au) before Monday 20 June 2016 to ensure correct numbers for catering.

Regards,  
John Tyas  
Avocados Australia CEO



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