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North Queensland Qualicado workshop invite - 14 July 2016

Avocados Australia's next Qualicado grower workshop will be held in the North Queensland growing region on **Thursday, 14 July at the Foyster's family farm, Aussie Orchards, Growers and Packers, at Mareeba.**

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 Jim Kochi, Avocados Australia Chair

09.10am Avocado Program and Industry Update - John Tyas, Avocados Australia

09.45am Maximising Profits in Avocados - Howard Hall, Pinnacle Agribusiness

10.30am Morning Tea (30mins)

11.00am Managing Nutrition in your Orchard - Lisa Martin, Ripe Horticulture

11.45am Ambrosia Beetles -Assessing the Threat - Kaila Ridgway & Dr Ian Newton, DAFQ

12.15am Using the Best Practice Resource (BPR)

12.30pm Lunch (45mins)

01.15pm Update on the latest Production Management issues - Simon Newett, DAFQ

01.45pm Export Development - John Tyas, Avocados Australia

02.00pm Making your Supply Chain work - Noel Ainsworth, DAFQ

02.30pm Using Imagery and Robotic Technologies to Improve Productivity - video presentation by Assoc. Prof. Andrew Robson

02.45pm Marketing Update TBA

03.00pm Orchard Walk - Colin Foyster & Qualicado presenters

04.00pm Wrap up of day & Close - John Tyas, Avocados Australia

Note: This program may be subject to change.

Special Reminder:

In order to meet recommended orchard biosecurity measures, all those who wish to participate in the field walk will be required to use footbaths before entering the orchard, so please wear appropriate clean shoes. We also recommend a hat and if you have any special dietary requirements could you please advise us.

Please RSVP to Amanda Madden on 07 3846 6566 or admin2@avocado.org.au before Monday 11 July 2016 to ensure correct numbers for catering.

Regards,
John Tyas
Avocados Australia CEO



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