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**26 September 2016**

## **North Queensland study group workshop Agenda for Thursday 6 October 2016**

Peter & Chelley Howe's Rock Ridge Farm, Godfrey Rd, Kairi

*Directions: From Kairi head east about 4 km to the end of Godfrey Rd where it meets Tinaroo Dam ([click here](#) for print version)*

- 9:00 REGISTRATION, tea and coffee
- 9:30 Welcome - Kaila Ridgway, DAF, Mareeba & Simon Newett, DAF, Nambour
- 9:40 National irregular bearing project update - Simon Newett
- 9:55 NQ irregular bearing project update - Pat O'Farrell, DAF, Mareeba
- 10:15 Bee psychology - Wim De Jong, Cairns Honey Supply, Pollination and Bee Management
- 10:35 'Maluma' variety information - Henk Van Niekerk, DBC Farming
- 10:45 Small Tree High Productivity Initiative research update - Geoff Dickinson, DAF, Mareeba & Peter Rigden, DAF, Nambour
- 11:00 SMOKO
- 11:40 WHS cherry picker Q&A's - Lara Caroline & John Dalamaras, Qld WHS
- 11:55 Electrical safety and cherry pickers - Jason Beasley, Ergon Energy
- 12:30 Avocado orchard conversion from micro sprinkler to drip irrigation - Henk Van Niekerk
- 12:50 Workshop wrap up - Kaila Ridgway
- 1:00 Complete evaluation forms and select topic(s), date and possible venue for next workshop - Peter Rigden
- 1:15 LUNCH
- 2:00 FIELD WALK - lead by Peter Howe with Tim and Graeme from GT Ag Services, and accompanied by a DAF plant pathologist
- 3:00 DEPART

Morning tea and lunch will be provided but for catering purposes please RSVP by Monday 3 October (Queens Birthday holiday) with numbers attending to [kaila.ridgway@daf.qld.gov.au](mailto:kaila.ridgway@daf.qld.gov.au) or send a text with name and numbers attending to 0417 335 271 (or leave a message). Please let us know if you have special dietary requirements.

*Sent on behalf of*

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