

## NORTH QUEENSLAND STUDY GROUP MEETING

Eric and Tracey Battistin's Farm, 1611 Mareeba-Dimbulah Rd, Arriga

(about 16km from Mareeba on the left, look for 'Field Day' sign)

Thursday 15 October 2015 at 9.00am

**\*PLEASE BRING A CHAIR\***

### PROGRAM

- 9:00am Arrive, register, tea and coffee
- 9:30am Welcome & today's program – Pat O'Farrell/Geoff Dickinson/Simon Newett, DAF
- 9:35am **Industry update/issues** – Jim Kochi (AAL Chairman and NQ Director)
- 9:45am **Using Infocado** – Jim Kochi
- 10:05am **Maximising avocado pollination and fruitset** – Simon Newett & Pat O'Farrell
- 10:30am *MORNING TEA*
- 11:00am **The Small Tree High Productivity Initiative** – Peter Rigden
- 11:20am Latest information on **Fruitspotting bug lures & discussion on Ambrosia boring beetle** – Ian Newton
- 11:50am **Industry information resources: Problem Solver Field Guide, Phytophthora poster, online Best Practice Resource** – Peter Rigden
- 12:05pm Set the topic, venue and date for next meeting
- 12:15pm *BBQ LUNCH*
- 1:15pm **Avocado production in Peru and Chile** – Simon Newett and others
- 2:00pm **Irrigation efficiency testing** – Trevor Parker, Northern Gulf
- 2:10pm **FARM WALK with Eric Battistin & IRRIGATION EFFICIENCY TESTING** – Trevor Parker
- 3:00pm Thanks & completion of evaluation forms
- 3:10pm *DEPART*

Please RSVP to Simon Newett at [simon.newett@daf.qld.gov.au](mailto:simon.newett@daf.qld.gov.au) with numbers for catering by 8pm on Tuesday 13 October 2015.

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