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APGA Winter Conference and Field Day

26th to 27th August 2017

SATURDAY

Location: City Golf Club, 254 South St Toowoomba QLD

Time: 10:00am tea + coffee for 10:30 start

Agenda

Marketing update, retail and export – Richard Sampson Genest and/or Andrew Waddell, Stahmann Farms

Nutrition discussion – (awaiting confirmation)

Irrigation discussion – Jeremy Bright, NSW DPI

- Evaporation replacement
- Crop factor efficiency
- Water requirements

DPI temperate nut projects – Jacquelyn Simpson NSW DPI

- Non-pollination in walnuts
- Advanced production systems

There is a discussion panel scheduled for the final session to provide an opportunity for members to ask questions about pecan farming to the wider group. To ensure the session runs smoothly and as many questions are answered as possible, questions on notice will be given to members of the association to commence the session. If you have any questions for the APGA



community, please email them to <u>admin@pecangrowers.org.au</u> before the 25th August 2017.

Sponsor presentation: Monchiero – a short presentation on the Monchiero harvester and opportunity ask questions.



Monchiero have been perfecting the art of fruit and nut harvesters for more than 50 years. They offer a range of self-propelled and trailed harvesters, air and brush wind-rowers and blowers for small to large orchard owners. The equipment is suitable for Walnuts, Chestnuts, Pecans, Hazelnuts, Macadamias, Almonds, Olives, Plums, Apples (for cider), sandal wood nuts and any other nut or fruit that is harvested off the ground.

Dinner

A casual dinner will be held on Saturday night, at your own expense. All are welcome, but an RSVP is essential to be seated with the group.

Location: Federal Hotel, 11 James St, Toowoomba City QLD

Time: From 7pm

Accommodation

City Golf Club Motel have a limited number of rooms available at a discounted rate if you ring them directly and mention you are attending a conference at the golf club. Call: (07) 4636 9999

- King and Queen bed rooms are \$155 per night
- Twin rooms (two queen beds) are \$175 per night

Otherwise we can recommend the Park Motor Inn

- Address: 88 Margaret St, Toowoomba City QLD 4350
- Phone: (07) 4632 1011
- Queen room is \$125 per night



SUNDAY

Location: Organic Pecan Enterprises, 1 hour from Toowoomba
"Las Piedras" 279 East Haldon Rd, Junction View QLD
Directions and maps will be given at the conference on Saturday

- 10:00am meet at processing shed for morning tea.
- 10:30am tour of processing plant
- 11:00am tour of sorting & machinery shed
- 11:30am tour of orchard to observe staggered pruning of old trees.
- 12:30pm finish

RSVP

PLEASE RSVP BY FRIDAY 11TH AUGUST 2017 IF YOU WISH TO ATTEND THE CONFERENCE, DINNER AND FIELD DAY

Send all RSVPs to <u>admin@pecangrowers.org.au</u> or call Eryn Lehman on 0403 467 520.

NUT AND EDIBLE DELIGHT COMPETITIONS

Both the pecan nut and edible delights competitions will run again in 2017. Entries for the pecan nut competition should contain a minimum of 200g of nut in shell and 200g kernel, while edible delights must be labelled. Please place all entries on the designated table with a number before the conference commences and ensure there is a record of your entry.