



MVCB Weekly News

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Qfly Update

Trapping data for the week ending 17 May is given in the table below.

Location	# Qfly	Action
Buronga	3	Extends outbreak
Swan Hill	3	New outbreak
Speewa	8	Supplementary traps deployed
Kerang	12	Extends outbreak
Kerang Sth	6	Extends outbreak
Ellerslie Sth	1	No action
Beverford Sth	2	Supplementary traps and larval searching
Tooleybuc Town	6	Extends outbreak
Goodnight Town	4	New outbreak
Goodnight Nth	1	Extends outbreak

Permit update to the APVMA App

The Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) has released an update for their mobile App, that promises to expand on the existing permit information provided for individuals who are on-the-move or out in the field.

The original App was released last year, allowing instant access to an extensive database of agricultural and veterinary chemicals registered in Australia. The updated App expands on this database, with a comprehensive record of all APVMA permits, allowing users to find complete information about registered chemicals and permit approvals for their particular needs. This information can also be passed on or shared with others.

The App is available to download now for iPhone or iPad users. Current users should be automatically alerted through the App when an update is available.

Technical Field Day Expands to Two Days

Sunraysia Citrus Growers Inc (SCG) and Murray Valley Citrus Board will be hosting a 'Grower's Technical Field Day' on 26 June, 2013 at the NSW Department of Primary Industries Dareton Primary Industries Institute.

To take advantage of the technical expertise of overseas citrus experts that will be in the Sunraysia district MVCB and SCG will now be holding a technical workshop on Thursday 27th June to complement the presentation given the day before.

Visiting Israeli citrus experts Dr Nir Carmi and Dr Eran Raveh and Joshua Kanonich will combine with Spanish rootstock specialist Dr Maria Angeles Forner to deliver a full day technical discussion workshop which will be free for Murray Valley citrus producers.



Also on the agenda will be our own home grown citrus pathology specialist Dr Pat Barkley who will be presenting information on rootstock selection and disease considerations.

Diary Dates:

26 June, 2013, Growers' Technical Field Day, 8:30am to 5:00pm, NSW DPI Research Station

27 June, 2013, Workshop with world leading production, rootstock and variety experts from Spain and Israel, NSW DPI Research Station (More details in the next newsletter)



Dr Nir Carmi has worked for the Agricultural Research Organisation Volcani Centre at Beit Dagan for over 10 years. Dr Carmi is a plant breeder and has been involved in the development of a number of popular mandarin varieties including Odem, seedless daisy, new grapefruit type without furanocumarines and other easy peeling mandarins. Dr Carmi has been breeding a number of promising seedless mandarin varieties that could show promise for Australia in the future. Dr Carmi will be presenting information on citrus breeding.

Dr Eran Raveh has been employed by the Agricultural Research Organisation Volcani Centre at the Gilat Research Centre for over 13 years. Dr Raveh is a citrus



physiologist and has conducted work on assessing leaf nutrient levels in citrus, girdling for crop regulation and strategies to manage high salinity irrigation water. He will be presenting practical management aspects of irrigating with high salinity water and girdling for crop regulation.

Growers are encouraged to register early for these events as numbers will be limited and registrations close on June 14. Ring the Board's office on (03) 5051 0500 to register for both days. Separate registrations are required for each day you will want to attend.

Farmers Fun Night

Sunraysia Rural Counseling Service will be holding a Farmers Fun Night on Saturday 29 June, 2013 at the Mildura Function Centre, No 1 Oval. This is a free event for farmers only.

ABC breakfast presenter Anthony Gerace will be MC for the evening and comedians Justin Hamilton and Tegan Higginbotham will be entertaining the crowd. Dinner will be provided. RSVP by phoning (03) 5022 0799 by Friday, 21st June.