

Kona Cooperative Extension – Events and Announcements Newsletter

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Visit <https://www.hawaiicoffeeed.com/events-and-announcements> for additional information on the following events, announcements and more.

UH CTAHR Cooperative Extension Offices will be closed on the following days:
Friday, November 10th, in observance of Veterans' Day

HDOA update on Priaxor Xemium fungicide

Hello all,

Attached is the Section 3 label for Priaxor (<https://go.hawaii.edu/9Yy>) along with the supplemental label (<https://go.hawaii.edu/yYh>) for use on coffee that you may start using. The Section 18 Emergency Exemption label that requires the notification and post application records will no longer be valid starting November 1, 2023.

More information can be found at <https://hdoa.hawaii.gov/pi/main/clrinfo/>

Feel free to forward this email to any parties you think may be affected and let me know if you had any questions.

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Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle Grubs Found on Hawaii Island

HONOLULU – Coconut rhinoceros beetle (CRB) grubs have been found at a residence in Waikoloa Village on Hawai'i Island. This is the first discovery of the invasive beetle on the island.

On Oct. 11, 2023, the resident found five large grubs (larvae) in a decaying palm tree stump on the property and reported it to the Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle Response Project. Staff from the Hawai'i Department of Agriculture (HDOA) responded to the site and collected the specimens which were sent to a University of Hawai'i laboratory in Honolulu where a DNA-based test was used to identify the grubs as CRB. On Wednesday of this week, the resident reported finding one more grub on the property. No other grubs or adult CRB have been detected so far on Hawai'i Island.

To continue reading visit - <https://go.hawaii.edu/4Yy>

Hawaii Growers, do you have green coffee for sale?

Aloha, Hawaii Coffee Farmers!

Through our SHAC Marketing grant, our Hawaii coffee industry will have a booth at the 2023 Taiwan Coffee & Tea Expo next month in Taipei. We will be there promoting Hawaii coffees from several growing regions, award-winning lots, and dynamic and new processing methods. Our goal is to raise awareness and knowledge of Hawaii's coffee industry, and also to promote export sales of Hawaiian coffees to Taiwan.

If you produce green 100% Hawaii coffee that you're looking to sell, please **fill out this survey** (<https://go.hawaii.edu/yUX>). We will share your contact info with interested buyers at the Taiwan Coffee & Tea Expo.

Please submit this survey no later than October 20th.

Thank you for your response!

Ralph Gaston
2023 Taiwan Coffee & Tea Expo event coordinator
Hawaii Coffee Association/SHAC

Coffee Leaf Rust Webinar Series

This webinar series is provided as a free resource for our association members and the broader community. It is designed to provide important updates on the Coffee Leaf Rust disease in Hawaii. The webinar series will consist of three sessions and have Q&A at the end of each. Mark your calendars for the following dates and join the webinars by following the links listed below.

Webinar #1

October 26, 10am

Join Here - <https://go.hawaii.edu/yYN>

- CLR on Hawaii Island: Biology, Cultural and Chemical Control Options with Melissa Johnson

Webinar #2

November 9, 10am

Join Here - <https://go.hawaii.edu/wYy>

- Controlling CLR: From the Lab to the Field with Lisa Keith

Webinar #3

TBD

- CLR Resistant Varietals with Tracie Matsumoto
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YWCA: Y Wahine In Business: Upcoming webinar: How to get the cash needed to grow your business

eliminating racism
empowering women
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HOW TO
Get the Cash
Needed to
Grow Your
Business

Monday, Oct. 30, 2023
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. HST
Online Webinar

Join **YWOMEN**
IN BUSINESS
for this Access to Capital Webinar

Register:

Entrepreneur
Women
of Color
YWCA O'AHU
BUSINESS CENTER

PATSY T. MINK
CENTER FOR
BUSINESS &
LEADERSHIP
WOMEN'S BUSINESS CENTER

MINORITY BUSINESS
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE



Storm Bridgewater
Commercial Banking Officer,
Hawaii USA Federal Credit Union



Aaron Ellis
Director of Programs Lending,
Feed the Hunger Fund



Jeff Hillebrant
Vice President, SBA Commercial
Lending, Live Oak Bank



Doug Okamura
Assistant Vice President & Business
Banking Officer, First Hawaiian Bank



Moderator Mariko Gordon, CFA
YWCA O'ahu Accelerator instructor and
principal of Jizo/Manjusri LLC

Join our panel of lenders who will help to demystify debt and the loan application process.

Are you passing up great business opportunities for lack of capital? Are you afraid of debt, intimidated by bankers, or too proud to borrow money? It's time to demystify debt and learn to access the capital you need!

Debt can help you finance your growth:

- Buy raw materials to fulfill a large order
- Acquire machinery to double production and enter new markets
- Provide start-up capital for a new product line
- Finance the acquisition of another business, or grab other business expansion opportunities.

If properly managed, debt can help you reach your financial goals faster.



To register:
bit.ly/ywomen1030

Inquiries:

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The Ywahine In Business Program is funded by the Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA), Capital Readiness Program (CRP) through the Department of Treasury's State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI). CRP is a technical assistance program to help minority and other underserved entrepreneurs grow and scale their businesses.

You will learn:

- What is the "right" amount of debt?
- How lenders decide if your business is credit-worthy?
- Are all banks the same?
- When is the best time to apply for credit?

Kona Coffee Festival - November 3-12

Visit <https://go.hawaii.edu/FUy> for more information

- 2023 Festival Call for Entries, Vendors and Participants
- Calling All Kona Coffee Farmers
- Festival Vendor Opportunities
- Festival Lantern Parade Friday, November 3
- 2023 KTA Super Stores Kona Coffee Recipe Contest Sunday, November 12
- 52nd Annual Kona Coffee Cultural Festival Starts Brewing November 3 through 12

2023 Food Innovation Workshop Series

Maui Food
INNOVATION CENTER

2023 Food Innovation Workshop Series

Food Dehydration

Are you interested in preserving the natural flavors and nutrients of your favorite fruits, vegetables, and herbs? Our Food Dehydration Workshop is just what you need! Join us for an immersive experience where you'll learn the ins and outs of food dehydration, from selecting the best produce to mastering the dehydration process.



November 7 & 8, 2023

Presented by: Hawaii Master Food Preservers

9 am - 5 pm, In-person - Cost \$99

Laulima Building, Room 106

Register here: <https://forms.gle/mjoZWmqqtYFwH2hA7>



For more information & to register visit - <https://go.hawaii.edu/yUa>

Crop Insurance Programs Workshop - November 8-9



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LIND INSURANCE SERVICES

presents

CROP INSURANCE PROGRAMS

- Coffee Cherry Crop Insurance
- Coffee Tree Insurance
- Whole Farm & Micro Farm Revenue Protection

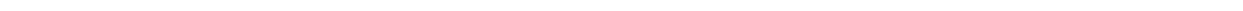
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023	THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023
3 workshops: 3 PM 4 PM 5 PM UH-CTAHR Kona Extension Service Conference Room 79-7381 Mamalahoa Hwy Kealahou HI 96750	1 workshop: 5-7 PM Pahala Gym Complex Annex Meeting Room 96-1219 Kamani St. Pahala HI 96777

Learn the basics of the Coffee and Whole Farm policies, how coverage and claims work and how to sign up. Drop in and get a signup packet.

If you have coverage currently and have questions, feel free to come and ask Bonnie!



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Coffea liberica rootstock seedlings available – Big Island ONLY

These are plants are second generation, open pollinated liberica seedlings. Research has shown variation of coffee root knot nematode tolerance when second generation, open-pollinated seedlings are used as rootstock. **Hence, these plants are to be used as rootstock grafting material ONLY and NOT for planting out and harvesting rootstock seed from.**

We currently have about 100 large *Coffea liberica* seedlings and 20 racks (98 ct) of younger *C. liberica* seedlings available at the Kona Research Station. The larger seedlings can be used to graft larger (approx. 1/4") mother plant scion materials onto. The smaller seedlings can be used to graft seedling materials onto with the Reyna Method.

For grafting larger scion materials, we have had success with leaving at least 2 leaves below the graft, using a splice graft, and grafting onto the green internode or stem of the rootstock with a scion of similar diameter. We have used electrical tape to bind the scion and rootstock together at the graft union and then parafilm to cover the scion and graft union to reduce drying and transpiration. Photos from the "Catimor Hybrid CLR-resistant Coffee Project at the Kona Research Station" recorded presentation (<https://go.hawaii.edu/yrh> - fast forward to 13:23) may be helpful to you while Andrea works on an advanced grafting presentation for the future. For grafting of younger scion materials with the Reyna Method, see this presentation (<https://go.hawaii.edu/4ry>).

Please contact Matt at mnmiyahi@hawaii.edu if you are interested in *Coffea liberica* rootstock seedlings. Quantities are limited. First come, first serve. Pick up on the BIG ISLAND ONLY at this time.

Perennial Peanut Available

We will have limited amounts of perennial peanut in trays available next month (Nov). To reserve your tray(s), please contact Matt at mnmiyahi@hawaii.edu. First come, first serve. Quantities limited. Pick up from the Kona Extension Office (Kealahou) ONLY.

Ladies Artisan Market Online Retreat

**2023 Let's Get Visible – Early Bird
Snatch your Early Bird Ticket for the**

Let's Get Visible Retreat Now!

November 1st, 2nd, & 3rd, 2023

Join them for an extraordinary online virtual retreat. Where you will experience Expert Business Training, Connection with other Fempreneurs, and Create your Customized 30-day Visibility Plan!

Come away ready to SMASH your Holiday business goals!

Early Bird Registration - <https://go.hawaii.edu/tgy>

Maui Pesticide Disposal Event

Greetings,

My name is Adam Williams, Project Manager for the Hawaii Department of Agriculture's ("HDOA") Pesticide Disposal Program ("PDP"). I am writing to inform you about the upcoming Maui pesticide disposal event to be held on Friday, December 15, 2023 from 8:00am to 3:00pm.

HDOA's PDP offers **FREE** disposal for up to 250 pounds of canceled, suspended, unwanted, or unlabeled ("CSUU") **pesticides** per eligible participant. Participants contributing more than 250 pounds of pesticides would need to enter into a separate disposal agreement with the contractor at a reduced payment rate. Please see the attached Accepted-Unaccepted Materials list.

Any agricultural entity, licensed pest control operator, landscape professional, pesticide dealer, and other commercial users of pesticides in the State can participate in the pesticide disposal program. **No enforcement action will be taken** against participants for disposing of CSUU pesticides.

The goal of the PDP is to promote a cleaner and safer Hawaii by reducing the amount of pesticides which could potentially impact human health or the environment. If you are on Maui and need to dispose of pesticides, please participate and help spread the word.

If you are not on Maui, yet, have connections with another business that could benefit from this free pesticide disposal program, please send them this email. We kindly ask for your help to make Maui's pesticide disposal event a success.

Maui Disposal Event

Friday, December 15, 2023

8:00am-3:00pm

Registration Deadline: Friday, November 24, 2023 by 4:30pm

Pesticide Disposal Program webpage:

<https://hdoa.hawaii.gov/pi/main/pesticide-disposal-program/>

- The webpage includes information on:
 - Accepted-Unaccepted Materials
 - Disposal Schedule
 - FAQs
 - Pesticide Transportation Safety Tips
 - Registration Form

Contractor Contact Information:

EnviroServices & Training Center

Point-of-Contact: Kara Nakachi or Alex Krause

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Facsimile: 808-839-4455

Regards,

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USDA Extends Application Deadline for Discrimination Financial Assistance Program to January 13

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16, 2023 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture is extending the deadline for the Discrimination Financial Assistance Program to January 13, 2024, to give eligible farmers, ranchers and forest landowners more time to apply for assistance. The original deadline was October 31, 2023. This deadline extension is responsive to feedback from potential applicants, nongovernmental program administrators and community-based organizations working closely with USDA to inform and assist eligible individuals. The new deadline will allow more time to reach and help farmers, ranchers and forest landowners through direct, no-cost technical assistance and training sessions. The extension will also ensure everyone has adequate time to apply, including producers whose harvest season falls during the original application period.

To continue reading visit - <https://go.hawaii.edu/yYM>

USDA Extends Deadline For Emergency Conservation Program Applications For Maui Producers

October 16, 2023 - The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has extended the deadline for accepting Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) applications from Maui agricultural producers who need assistance to address damages from wildfires and high winds that occurred August 2023. Maui County in Hawaii was approved to implement ECP for damage caused by wildfires and high winds. The application deadline has been extended to December 11, 2023.

"We understand the extent of the damage caused by these severe storms and the catastrophic and widespread impacts of these disasters on Maui county's agricultural community," said James Robello, County Executive Director for the Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Maui County. "This deadline extension will give producers more time to apply for emergency assistance and rebuild with resiliency."

To continue reading visit - <https://go.hawaii.edu/yYs>

Hawaii Board of Agriculture Initiates Transfer of 99 Agricultural Parcels from DLNR

The Hawai'i Board of Agriculture (HBOA) today voted to agree to accept the transfer of 99 agricultural parcels, totaling 21,672 acres, from the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to the Hawai'i Department of Agriculture (HDOA). The HBOA action now goes to the Board of Land and Natural Resources for concurrence. The transfer of the lands was mandated by the Hawai'i State Legislature in 2003 under Act 90. In August 2023, the HBOA approved the transfer of four parcels, totaling 36,005 acres, which is currently in the final process of transfer from the DLNR to the HDOA.

Under the administration of Governor Josh Green, M.D., the HDOA and DLNR have been working hard to resolve several land issues in order to move forward with the transfer of lands, which are mostly pasture and ranch lands, but also include other agricultural parcels.

To continue reading visit - <https://go.hawaii.edu/UYy>

Community Budget Meetings Hosted by Mayor Richard Bissen

Aloha,

We are excited to announce that Mayor Richard Bissen and his administration will be hosting a series of community budget meetings throughout Maui County. These meetings are your opportunity to share your priorities and have your voice heard as we prepare for the Fiscal Year 2025 budget.

Important Details

Date for Moloka'i: Tuesday, November 7, 2023

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: Mitchell Pau'ole Community Center

Both written and verbal comments will be accepted at these meetings. If you're unable to attend in person, we have made provisions for you to still be a part of this vital community process.

Remote Participation:

For those who cannot make it to the meeting in person, you can observe and testify via the Bluejeans online Platform. Simply click on the following link at the scheduled time:

<https://bluejeans.com/718120287>

Budget Request Form:

You can also submit your budget requests using the official Budget Request Form, available now on the County of Maui website. To access the form, please visit: www.mauicounty.gov/budget

More Information:

Should you have any questions or need more details about the community budget meetings, don't hesitate to reach out to the County of Maui Budget Office at (808) 270-7855 or visit our website:

www.mauicounty.gov/Budget

This is a chance for us to come together as a community, ensuring that our budget reflects the needs

and aspirations of all our residents. We hope to see you there, either in person or online.

Mahalo for your active participation and commitment to Maui County's future.

KCFA Newsletter: Farmers PARTY & Crop Insurance Webinar

View the full newsletter - <https://go.hawaii.edu/yYE>

In this issue:

- Coffee Farmers Gathering - October 25, 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM
 - Crop Insurance Webinar - Thursday, October 26 @ 3:30 PM
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USDA FPAC Hawaii and Pacific Basin October Newsletter

View the full newsletter - <https://go.hawaii.edu/BYy>

In this issue:

- USDA Extends Deadline For Emergency Conservation Program Applications for Maui Producers
 - Share Your Harvesting Experience for Farmers.gov's #Harvest2023 Campaign
 - Turning Your Feedback Into Action on the Inflation Reduction Act
 - State Committee Spotlight: Bobby Pahia, Hawaii Taro Farm LLC
 - FSA Encourages Farmers and Ranchers to Vote in County Committee Elections
 - Inflation Reduction Act Section 22007 - Discrimination Financial Assistance Program
 - Dates to Remember
 - October 2023 Interest Rates
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HānaiʻAi The Food Provider V51 Updated with Hawaiʻi Banana Source Interview

View the full newsletter - <https://go.hawaii.edu/yYq>

In this issue:

- Feature Farmer: Gabe Sachter-Smith, Hawaiʻi Banana Source
 - Sustainable & Organic Research & Outreach News
 - Other CTAHR Publications & Programs
 - For New Farmers
 - Garden with the Master Gardener
 - FYI & Events
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FSA National Outreach & Education Update - October 2023

View the full newsletter - <https://go.hawaii.edu/HYy>

In this issue:

- USDA Informational Webinar for Farm Labor Pilot
 - Inflation Reduction Act Section 22007 - Discrimination Assistance Program
 - USDA Provides \$5 Million in Second Round of Payments to Help Organic Producers Cover Increased Costs
 - Upcoming Webinars
 - In Case You Missed It
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