

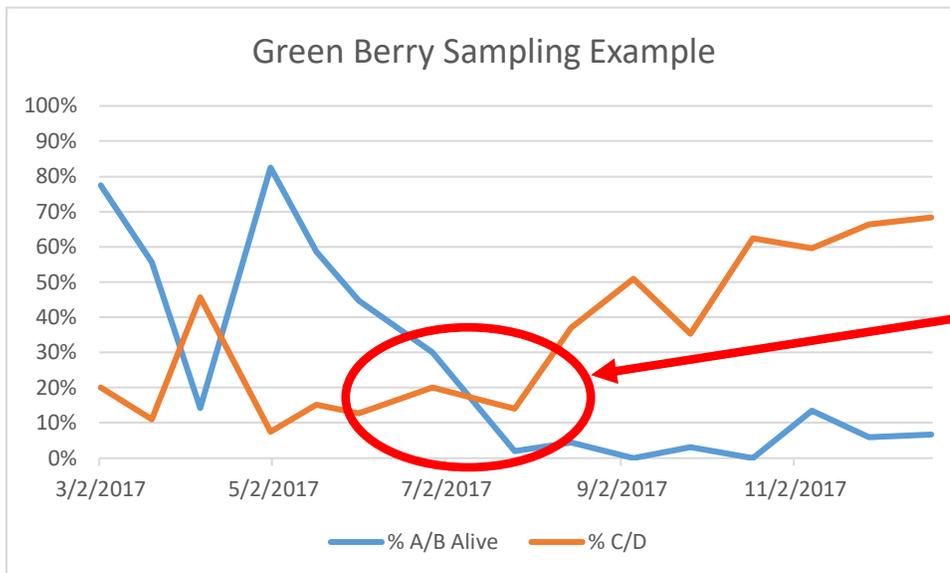
May 2018 – Events and Announcements

Dear Growers and Friends,

Thank you for supporting and joining us at the 2018 CBB Conference! It was a great opportunity to share CBB research and extension activities, hear questions from participants, as well as network with so many coffee industry growers and stakeholders. Conference presentations are available at <https://bit.ly/2KxEaA8>. For those who participated, please provide us feedback on the conference by completing an evaluation at <https://bit.ly/2KrwH5W>.

Coffee:

Continue to monitor CBB activity on your farm and spray according to your infestation and A/B alive threshold. From our experiences the past two years, this month may be your final opportunity to really kill CBB in the A/B alive position. From around June/July (depending on when flowering occurred), our data shows a very quick transition of CBB going from the A/B alive position to C/D (bean damage). A big reason for this, is because the seed in the green berries has become mature and CBB does not have to wait on the fruit skin. She can immediately begin drilling her galleries and laying eggs in the bean/seed.



CBB control must happen before this point. Here after, CBB in the A/B alive position (blue line) diminishes greatly, resulting in reduced effectiveness of *Beauveria bassiana* sprays because CBB are then safe in the C/D position (orange line).

Continue monitoring and spraying as needed through harvest.

- Follow the “Revised Thirty Trees Sampling Method for CBB Monitoring - 2016” to determine CBB infestation and position of CBB in the berries ([Appendix B](#)).
 - The chart on page 16 may help you determine if you should be spraying.
- View these short videos for further instructions on how to conduct the 30 Trees Sampling Method.
 - (Video) Part 1: [In the Field](#)
 - (Video) Part 2: [Dissection and Decision](#)

If you have questions about coffee or fruit and mac nut trees, please contact me at andreak@hawaii.edu or 808-322-4892. Please follow up with me if you don't hear back from me, especially if I'm away from the office or preparing for events.

-Andrea

UH CTAHR Cooperative Extension Offices will be closed on the following day:

Monday, May 28th, in observance of Memorial Day

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

Kau Coffee Festival - Ho'olaule'a - Pahala

Saturday, May 5, 2018

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Pahala Community Center

96-1149 Kamani St, Pahala, HI 96777

Free

For more information, visit kaucoffeefestival.com

Kau Coffee Festival - Coffee College - Pahala

Sunday, May 6, 2018

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Pahala Community Center

Free, donations appreciated

Listen to informative talks given by visiting coffee experts. While meeting Ka'u growers, the visiting experts will lead seminars at our annual Ka'u Coffee College. The Ka'u Coffee College has proven to be a place of learning, sharing and networking—and has featured some of the industry's leading professionals from around the globe. Andrea and Tom Greenwell will be co-presenting on coffee pruning.

For more information, visit kaucoffeefestival.com/coffeecollege

GoFarm Hawaii - AgXposure - Honokaa

Saturdays, May 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2018

8:00 am - 2:00 pm

GoFarm Hawaii is starting a new cohort on Hawaii Island (in Honokaa)! We invite you to join in on AgXposure, a series of hands-on work days on a variety of local farms on Saturdays in May. Work days will take place from 8am – 2pm on May 5, 12, 19, and 26. Each week, a different type of farming operation will be experienced, including a small scale, diversified farm in Hakalau and a farm that incorporates youth education, internships, and immersion in Hawi. AgXposure will provide the opportunity to hear about challenges local farmers face and successes they enjoy. It is also a chance for you to see if farming is something that you would like to pursue as a business or career and if the GoFarm Hawaii Beginning Farmer Training Program (<https://gofarmhawaii.org/gofarm-training-program/>) is a good fit for you. If you are interested in joining us or know someone who is, please RSVP to tkc@gofarmhawaii.org. Additional details will be provided prior to the session.

Derrick Kiyabu (GoFarm Hawaii Farm Coach) will be available at the end of the work day to explain and answer questions

about the GoFarm Hawaii AgSchool Program and provide applications for AgSchool which is scheduled for June 13, 2018 – October 6, 2018, with classes on Wednesdays (5:30-8:30pm) and Saturdays (8am-2 pm).

KCFA - Vertical Selection Workshop - Kona

Saturday, May 19, 2018
9:00 am - 11:00 am
Lehuula Farms
79-7350 Mamalahoa Hwy.
Kealahou, HI 96750

KCFA presents VERTICAL SELECTION Workshop
WHEN: Saturday- May 19, 2018 (9:00-11:00 am)
WHERE: Bob Nelson & Bob Smith at Bob Nelsons' Farm located makai of the Kona Joe sign in Kainaliu, along Mamalahoa Highway. Drive down; parking available on right.

WHY: Choose the best vertical/shoots from among the new growth following the pruning completed a few months ago. Select vigorous shoots to insure high yielding verticals for the crop in 3 years.

FREE for KCFA members and \$10 (applied towards membership) for non-members.

International Plant Propagators' Society - Western Region Annual Meeting - The Pacific Rim Conference - Kona

Tuesday, July 31, 2018 - Saturday, August 4, 2018
Courtyard by Marriott King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel
75-5660 Palani Rd.
Kailua-Kona, HI 96740

For more details about the conference, visit <https://bit.ly/2rahAoA>

Job Announcement - USDA PBARC - CBB Field Assistant - Kona

Casual hire position available in Kona to assist in field work for coffee berry borer monitoring. For more information, go to <https://bit.ly/2FA586D> or contact Dr. Manoukis at nicholas.manoukis@ars.usda.gov or (808) 932-2118.

USDA FSA - Recent Storm Disaster Assistance

As a result of the result of the storm on March 26th we are looking for sign-ups for the ECP (Emergency Conservation Program). The damage was so severe that federal assistance is necessary.

The following practices were approved for this disaster:

- Debris removal
- Grading and shaping work

For more information and to sign up call 933-8331 ext. 2. The sign-up period is from April 16, 2018 to May 15, 2018. For additional details, go to <https://bit.ly/2rbtmQu>

Mahalo!
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CTAHR - Rat Lung Worm Disease Prevention Video

The CTAHR Farm Food Safety Team, in collaboration with Hawai'i State Departments of Health and Agriculture, has released a new video on Rat Lung Worm (RLW) disease prevention. It describes common slugs and snails found in Hawai'i that may carry the parasite, explains how to find them in the garden and what sort of conditions they like, and gives tips on how to make the environment less appealing for them. Some things to do include cutting back vegetation so the pests have less places to hide, creating raised beds, and not leaving pet food out overnight. It also describes methods of deterring, trapping, physically removing, and killing slugs and snails. This is a potentially scary disease, but this video offers practical and down-to-earth advice that can help. For the video, go to <https://youtu.be/8PzqNrcMlzk>

USDA NASS - Ag Census News

Article - 2017 Census of Agriculture Continues: *Are Hawaii's Farmers Engaged in Succession Plans for Agriculture* - <https://bit.ly/2w26GqA>

HCA Newsletters

April Newsletter - <http://eepurl.com/drq1zf>
- Grown with Aloha - New Consumer Guide
- Coffee Quality Workshop - May 29th
- HCA Booth at SCA in Seattle

Reminder: It's Time to Enter the HCA Cupping Competition - <http://eepurl.com/dqpKgT>
- HCA Statewide Cupping Competition
- HCA Coffee Association Annual Conference
- FedEx Announcement

Events! - <http://eepurl.com/dsUjYf>
- Save The Date for HCA Conference, July 27-28 with additional events on July 26 and 29
- Ka'u Coffee Festival, April 21th - May 6th
- Coffee Quality Workshop, May 29th Kona, May 12th Maui
- Local Café openings

USDA FSA - Reporting Reminders

To view the newsletter, go to <https://bit.ly/2jhV5dO>
In this issue:
- Acreage Report Dates
- There's Still Time to Respond to the 2017 Census of Agriculture

USDA FSA - Organic Certification Cost Share Program

Certified organic producers and handlers who have paid certification fees during the 2017 or 2018 program year may apply for reimbursement of the incurred costs. If you have already applied and paid by the State of Hawaii for certification fees, please let us know.

Program Year	Covers expenses paid from...	The application deadline is...*
2017	Oct. 1, 2016, through Sept. 30, 2017	Oct. 31, 2017.
2018	Oct. 1, 2017, through Sept. 30, 2018	Oct. 31, 2018.

*OCCSP funds are limited and applications are paid on a first-come, first-served basis. Applications received after all funds are obligated will not be paid.

Once certified, organic producers and handlers are eligible to receive reimbursement for up to 75 percent of certification costs each year, up to a maximum of \$750 per certification scope – crops, livestock, wild crops, handling and State Organic Program fees.

Organic certification cost share funds are only available to certified organic producers and handlers. For the FSA Organics fact sheet, go to <https://bit.ly/2Fy25MA>

Please call 933-8381 ext 2 if you would like to apply for the cost share.

If your operation is not currently certified organic and you would like to learn more about the certification process, see the links below.

Getting started..

- <https://bit.ly/2HD2zXw>
- <https://www.ctahr.hawaii.edu/organic/> (Click on "certification" on the left hand menu)
- I would recommend following up with Dr. Ted Radovich who is located at UH-CTAHR Manoa campus on Oahu (see contact info below), and Maile Woodhall with the Kohala Center on the Big Island
- Maile@occert.com. Maile has experience as an organic certifier.