

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.

Monday, May 31st, in observance of Memorial Day

Commercial Lease Tenant Issues and COVID 19

Positive steps to take to prepare for the survival of your business

- Can I get out of my lease?
- What defenses or tools do I have under my current lease terms?
- If I cannot get out of my lease, what other options and/or defenses do I have as a commercial tenant?
- Legislative Relief - What's on the horizon and why you should be actively involved.

Speaker: Stephanie E.W. Thompson, Esq.
Director, Starn O'Toole Marcus & Fisher LC

Thursday, May 20

10:00 am - 11:30 am

No charge

Online

Register Now - <https://bit.ly/3fv50cJ>

How to Start a Business in Hawai'i

Have you ever thought about owning your own business?

How do you go about doing that . . .

- Deciding on a type of business entity?
- Setting up a business?
- Finding the money to start?
- Marketing your product or services?
- Coming up with a plan?
- Finding a system for keeping track of all that money you'll be making?

We can help you answer those concerns and identify the resources you'll need to help you move forward.

Wednesday, May 26, 2021

9:00 am - 10:30 am

\$15

Online Webinar

Register Now - <https://bit.ly/3v6HSbg>

2021 CBB & CLR Conference Recordings

Session 1: The Latest in Managing Coffee Berry Borer (CBB) - <https://bit.ly/3f12mwv>

Session 2: The Latest in Managing Coffee Leaf Rust (CLR) - <https://bit.ly/3wiKeUn>

Session 3: Statewide Economic Benefits and Management Technology - <https://bit.ly/3bE8AAg>

Session 4: Other Coffee Diseases and Management Practices - <https://bit.ly/2S9RuDu>

Specialty Crop Survey for Producers

This survey aims to identify where investments should be made (in research, outreach, and education) to enhance and increase the development of specialty crop markets by CTAHR and other public agencies. Your contribution to this survey is highly appreciated. Responses will help guide us in allocating more research and educational resources towards specialty crop development in Hawai'i.

Please find below a link to the survey: <https://bit.ly/3bHi7X4>

Queensland Longhorn Beetle Webinar

The Big Island Invasive Species Committee held a webinar with updates and research results on the Queensland Longhorned Beetle last week with 8 speakers and questions and answers. They posted the results on YouTube if anyone missed it and would like to listen.

- <https://bit.ly/3hAAkti>
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USDA NASS: May 2021 Reports for Fruit & Nut and Coffee

Click on the following links to download the pdf reports.

- Fruit & Nut - <https://bit.ly/33VQGon>
 - Coffee - <https://bit.ly/2SSUN23>
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PODCAST: Lessons from Hawaii's Successful Battle With The Avocado Lace Bug

The timing of the avocado lace bug's [arrival](#) in Hawaii couldn't have been any worse for Daniel Carroll, who was preparing to expand his avocado business from a small plot on the North Shore to a 10-acre farm in Waialua.

"One week I got like at least six emails and text messages from concerned friends and family, like, 'what are you going to do?'" he said.

The lace bug was first identified on Oahu at the end of 2019, and has since spread to Maui and the Big Island. The small bug can have a big impact, sucking nutrients out of avocado leaves and leaving the tree unable to bear fruit.

Continue reading at <https://bit.ly/3waXJpg>

USDA Announces Cooperative Agreements for Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction

\$2 million in cooperative agreements is available for local governments to host Community Compost and Food Waste Reduction (CCFWR) pilot projects. The cooperative agreements support projects that develop and test strategies for planning and implementing municipal compost plans and food waste reduction plans and they are part of USDA's broader efforts to support urban agriculture.

Learn more about the Cooperative Agreements - <https://bit.ly/3f2RBcS>

Hawaii and Pacific Basin USDA Farm Service Agency May 2021 Newsletter

View the full newsletter at - <https://bit.ly/2SaTJWR>

In this issue:

- USDA Expands Aquaculture Disaster Assistance to Include Fish Raised for Food
 - USDA Offers Secure New Options for Signing and Sharing Documents Online
 - USDA Expands and Renews Conservation Reserve Program in Effort to Boost Enrollment and Address Climate Change
 - American Rescue Plan Socially Disadvantaged Farmer Debt Payments
 - Share Your Planting Season Experience for #Plant2021
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