

## October 2015 Events and Announcements

Dear Growers and Friends,

Thank you very much for your extreme patience and understanding during this process of my extension position and program review. Also, thank you to those who took the time to write a letter or email of support. Every one of your notes were included in my review packet. This review is extremely important for my ability to help farmers in the future and I am looking forward to a favorable outcome this summer.

I'm in the process of catching up with a month's work. Please bear with me a little longer.

Enjoy this month's events and announcements! There's lots going on!

On another note, there has been a lot of human and vehicular movement around the extension office lately. Please be careful with your belongings. Lock your vehicles and do not leave valuables in your car/truck. Double check that the conference room and restroom doors are locked when you leave following meetings.

Sincerely,  
Andrea

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Visit <http://hawaiicoffee.weebly.com/events-and-announcements.html> for additional information on the following events, announcements and more.

- Annual UH CTAHR Coffee Berry Borer Survey
- Mealani's Taste of the Hawaiian Range
- Hands-On Olive Field Day: Olive production and small-scale oil processing – Waimea
- Kauai Coffee and Chocolate Festival
- Kona Coffee Cultural Festival Cupping Competition
- Pasture Pests - Be on alert for potential pests
- Cultural Practices and Sanitation for CBB: Lessons from Latin America – Presentation by Luis Aristizábal
- HDOA News Release
- Hawaii Coffee Association has a Newsletter
- Grower Group Monthly Meetings
- **Save the Date** – Wed., Oct. 21, 2015 – CBB Expert, Pablo Benavides Machado from Colombia, will be in Kona to present a seminar “Integrated Pest Management a successful strategy to control the Coffee Berry Borer in Colombia” and visit a few farms. More information to follow.
- **Save the Date** – Coffee farm and mill mechanical engineer, Fernando Augusto Vicentini from Brazil, will be in Kona on Oct. 30 and Nov. 2 to present “Seminars Targeting the Improvement of Coffee Farm and Mill Efficiency”. This seminar and farm visits will also be held in Kau on Nov. 3, 2015. More information to follow. **I will be out of the office from Oct. 24 to Nov. 5 to host these seminars.**

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### Annual UH CTAHR Coffee Berry Borer Survey

Aloha Coffee Leaders,

Please help us, the industry and our allies to understand the current Coffee Berry Borer (CBB) situation. Below is a link for our annual CBB survey. This on-line survey is for coffee farmers and processors to complete about their experience with the CBB. The survey is on-line, you need only click on it, forward this email or copy the link and send it your coffee organization members. Survey will be open for responses until **November 15, 2015**.

Below is the link to our annual CBB survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/5VQL3Z8>

As part of CTAHR's CBB effort, Andrea Kawabata, Dr. Stuart Nakamoto, and I have developed a survey to help us and the industry understand the extent of damage from CBB. Questions ask farmers and millers about their use of

recommended strategies for managing CBB. We will use this information to improve research and extension planning.

We are relying on you – the coffee leaders in Hawaii – to see that virtually all coffee growers and processors in the state have an opportunity to complete the survey.

We are not requesting nor collecting the identity of those who complete the survey. Your individual responses are held confidentially. Summary and conclusions from the survey will be shared with the CBB Task Force, coffee organizations and those respondents who request a copy.

In order to save money, time, and accuracy the survey is only on-line based. Those growers without email access and internet will need to submit their responses via someone with computer access.

Thank you,  
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### **Mealani's Taste of the Hawaiian Range**

Friday, October 9, 2015  
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Hilton Waikoloa Village  
Big Island of Hawai'i

Over 30 Hawai'i chefs prepare culinary "tastes" using 100 percent pasture-raised beef, pork, lamb, goat, mutton and wild boar—plus fresh island fruit and vegetables. Attendees graze at culinary stations while visiting vendor booths to meet the farmers and ranchers who grow our food.

For more information, please visit  
<http://www.tasteofthehawaiianrange.com>.

### **Hands-On Olive Field Day: Olive production and small-scale oil processing – Waimea**

Thursday, October 22, 2015  
8:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Meet at the Lalamilo Research Station  
66-1170 Opelo Road, Waimea, HI 96743

For more information, please see attached flyer. **RSVP IS REQUIRED, please contact Gina by Monday, October 19, 2015, at 808-322-4892 or [ginab@hawaii.edu](mailto:ginab@hawaii.edu).**

### **Kauai Coffee and Chocolate Festival**

Friday and Saturday, October 23-24, 2015  
Historic Hanapepe Town, Kauai

Offering a celebration of everything Chocolate and Coffee and much more! There will be displays, demonstrations, classes, tours and lots of sampling.

For more information, please visit  
<http://www.kauaichocolateandcoffeesfestival.com/>.

### **Kona Coffee Cultural Festival Cupping Competition**

Wednesday and Thursday, November 11-12, 2015  
9:00 am – 2:00 pm  
Keauhou Shopping Center  
Center Courtyard Stage

To enter the competition or for more information, please visit <http://www.kona-coffee-council.com/page-1418954>.

<p><b><u>Pasture Pests - Be on alert for potential pests</u></b></p> <p>In mid-September, Mealani Experiment Station had a severe outbreak of lawn armyworm (<i>Spodoptera mauritia acronyctoides</i>), and grass webworm (<i>Herpetogramma licarsisalis</i>).</p> <p>For important information about these pasture pests and their effects on pastureland, please read Dr. Mark Thorne's email:  <a href="http://hawaiicoffee.weebly.com/uploads/2/6/7/7/26772370/pasture_pests2.pdf">http://hawaiicoffee.weebly.com/uploads/2/6/7/7/26772370/pasture_pests2.pdf</a>.</p>	<p><b><u>Cultural Practices and Sanitation for CBB: Lessons from Latin America – Presentation by Luis Aristizábal</u></b></p> <p>If you missed Luis Aristizábal's presentation on 9/19/15, you can find his PowerPoint presentation at <a href="http://hawaiicoffee.weebly.com/cbb-publications.html">http://hawaiicoffee.weebly.com/cbb-publications.html</a>. Please note, the units were changed from metric to US units for your convenience.</p> <p>Luis was raised on a Colombian coffee farm, worked as an Extension Agent with coffee farmers in Colombia and is now an entomologist at the University of Florida. In 2012, his workshop introduced us to the 30 Trees method. His focus is on practical research that benefits farmers and is economically feasible.</p>
<p><b><u>HDOA News Release</u></b></p> <p>Here is a link to a news release on a snake found in a Pearl City garage:  <a href="http://hdoa.hawaii.gov/blog/main/nrpcpython/">http://hdoa.hawaii.gov/blog/main/nrpcpython/</a></p>	<p><b><u>Hawaii Coffee Association has a Newsletter</u></b></p> <p><a href="http://us11.campaign-archive2.com/?u=903dbacfc5f15daf97277cc28&amp;id=10da43282f">http://us11.campaign-archive2.com/?u=903dbacfc5f15daf97277cc28&amp;id=10da43282f</a></p>

**Grower Group Monthly Meetings**

<p><b><u>Natural Farming Monthly Meeting</u></b>          Tuesday, October 13, 2015 (second Tuesday of the month)          6:00 PM – 8:00 PM          Komohana Research and Extension Center          (875 Komohana Street, Hilo)</p>	<p><b><u>Hawaii Coffee Association Board Meeting</u></b>          Wednesday, October 14, 2015 (second Wednesday of the month)          9:00 AM to 2:00 PM          Kona Cooperative Extension Service          (79-7381 Mamalahoa Hwy, Kealahou, HI)</p>
<p><b><u>Hawaii Tropical Fruit Growers Monthly Meeting</u></b>          Monday, October 19, 2015 (third Monday of the month)          7:00 PM – 9:00 PM          81-6393 Mamalahoa Hwy, Kealahou, HI 96750</p>	<p><b><u>Hawaii Macadamia Nut Association Monthly Meeting</u></b>          Tuesday, October 20, 2015 (third Tuesday of the month)          10:30 AM - 12:30 PM          Wainaku Executive Center (Old C. Brewer building just past the airplane/singing bridge)          (26-238 Hawaii Belt Rd, Hilo, HI)</p>
<p><b><u>Kona Coffee Farmers Association Board Meeting</u></b>          Tuesday, October 20, 2015 (third Tuesday of the month)          3:00 PM to 5:00 PM          Kona Cooperative Extension Service</p>	<p><b><u>Kona Young Farmers Monthly Meeting</u></b>          Wednesday, October 28, 2015 (last Wednesday of the month)          7:00 PM – 9:00 PM          Teshima's Restaurant (Honalo)          (79-7251 Mamalahoa Hwy, Kealahou, HI 96750)</p>
<p><b><u>Ka'u Coffee Growers Cooperative Monthly Meeting</u></b>          Tuesday, November 3, 2015 (first Tuesday of the month) – Fernando Vicentini Seminar to be held          6:00 PM – 8:00 PM          Pahala Community Center          (96-1149 Kamani Street, Pāhala, HI)</p>	<p><b><u>Kona Coffee Council Board Meeting</u></b>          Thursday, November 5, 2015 (first Thursday of the month)          4:00 PM to 5:30 PM          Kona Cooperative Extension Service          (79-7381 Mamalahoa Hwy, Kealahou, HI)</p>

