

THE 2024 WINTER WARMERS Seminar Series

Supporting you to work on your business, not just in it!

Session 1 - Integrated Pest Management (IPM) in vegetables

Entomologist Dr. Paul Horne will describe what IPM in vegetables looks like and how growers can move from a reliance on pesticides to using a combination of biological and cultural controls with support from selective pesticides. The workshop will provide an analysis of key biological control agents and cultural options, with participants developing an IPM strategy for their crops during the workshop.

Austral Hotel, Korumburra: Wed, July 10th from 11am to 2pm (lunch included)

The Criterion Hotel, Sale: Thurs, July 11th from 11am to 2pm (lunch included)

Session sponsored by BASF and Muir's

Session 2 - Mapping and analysis of soil organic carbon

VegNET Gippsland has partnered with Downforce Technologies, Muir's and Elders to give growers the opportunity to learn how to improve their farm's overall soil health and long-term productivity through mapping and managing soil organic carbon (SOC). Come and see a practical seven-year SOC analysis of a local vegetable farm and complete an expression of interest to have your farm mapped & analysed.

The Criterion Hotel, Sale: Thurs, August 1st from 4pm to 6pm + drinks & nibbles.

Drinks & nibbles sponsored by Rabobank

Session 3 - Plant health in vegetable production

Joel Williams from Integrated Soils will outline what is meant by plant health and how to achieve it. Plants produce a suite of specialised and sophisticated defence biochemicals to protect themselves, deter pests and attract beneficials; however, they cannot optimise these protective processes without key nutrients and beneficial organisms which support plant health and immunity.

Austral Hotel, Korumburra: Wed, August 7th from 11am - 2pm (lunch included)

Agriculture Victoria, Maffra: Thurs, August 8th from 11am - 2pm (lunch included)

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Register Now!

To register for the Seminar Series, please email emily.scott@foodandfibregippsland.com.au. Please advise of any dietary requirements when you register.

