

Kiwifruit News

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Adapting To Change

James Trevelyan – Managing Director

As Auckland moves down to Alert Level 3, the country holds its breath on whether the nation will be able to stamp out COVID. Or is this the start of the next phase? A phase that will see the country learning to live with the virus?

It would be nice to not have to live with COVID in the community, but as the pressure on MIQ only gets tougher, I sense it is time for the next phase. COVID has been a major event for the world, and to date New Zealand has done well in its ability to implement new processes and stay in control.

Zespri, like the New Zealand Government, can make industry-wide changes. It has been refreshing to sit around the table with other post-harvest operators and Zespri and discuss the challenges that we had in the 2021 season. From these discussions have come five key points that will aid the flow of fruit in the 2022 season: shipping, packing more fruit earlier rather than later, waiting for size 39s to pass, waiting

for taste to increase, and the amount of loose fill packs we are able to pack rather than single layer trays. I would also add one other constraint that we need to make progress on – dealing with rotten fruit at this time of year due to physical damage.

What captures my imagination is that an orchard manager has a high level of control over two of these points – the 39s and taste.

The solar irradiance data for the Te Puke area is a known number. From January to March this year, the irradiance was 8% less than 2020 and 2019 (see Dry Matter Matters, Lynda Hawes, Sept 2021). So we should have seen it was trending towards an average year before mid-April. Our orchard counts highlighted those that were hanging high crop

loads and were always going to have an issue.

Zespri, like the Government, can make industry rulings and these rulings have a potential to change the way our industry will function in future. I have every confidence it will be for the better.



Beautiful day on the village green yesterday, and keeping things safe for our haka meetings with masks and social distancing.

To support our staff and community to get vaccinated against COVID-19 we continued to run vaccination clinics on site.



Operations Update

Phil Allison – Information Systems Manager



Shipping and Fruit Loss

During the season-to-date we have shipped 16,272,801 trays of kiwifruit (89.2% of what was packed) and have 1,975,780 trays left to ship.

The details by fruit group are in the chart. The impact of advance movement is no longer there with our shipped percentage now close to the industry ship percentage.

The final shipments for Europe will sail during week 40 (ends 10th October). After that, remaining fruit is mostly destined for Asia. Final shipments are expected to be in week 43 for Gold3 (ends 31st October) and week 47 for Hayward (ends 28th November).

The main reasons for fruit loss continue to be physical damage that has turned into a rot, and other fruit rots. Remember you can check your individual fruit loss on the Trevelyan's grower portal. Data here is updated every night.

COVID Level 2 Requirements

Orchards that pack at Trevelyan's are now operating with COVID Level 2 restrictions.

Updates for what this means practically are available on the KGI website (www.nzkgi.org.nz). You should check this site regularly as the requirements are changed occasionally. In general though, the main requirements are:

- The tracer app QR code must be displayed
- All workers and visitors must wear masks
- One metre spacing is to be maintained at all times, including during breaks.

GAP Update

Christine Draffin

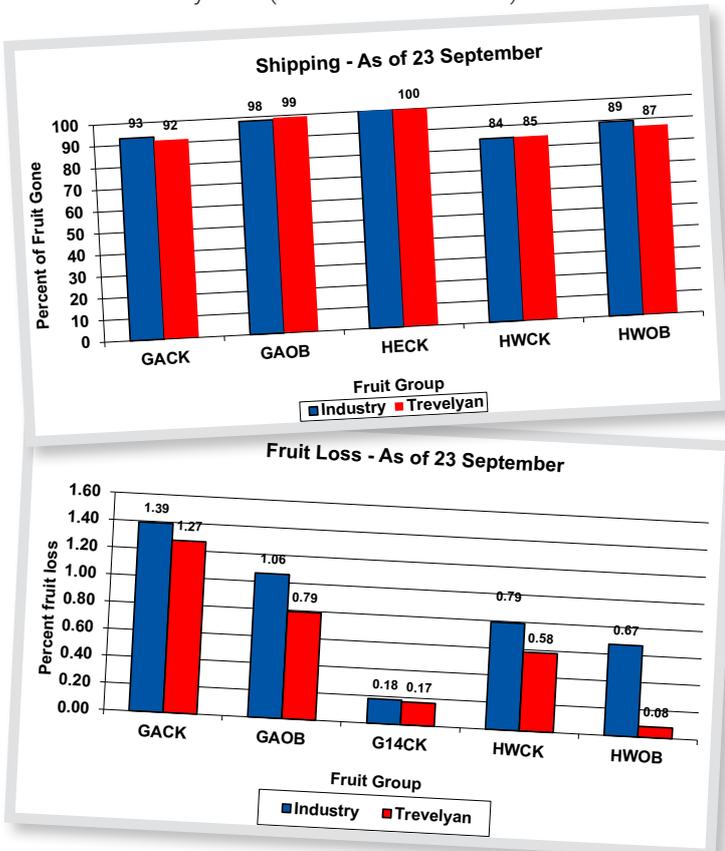
Annual Zespri GAP audits will start around mid-October. Some key things to remember as you prepare for your audit are:

- QR Codes for the Covid Tracer App need to be displayed in an easily accessible place near the entrance of each orchard.
- If you use surface water in your orchard (i.e. from springs, rivers, or lakes) then three water tests are required each season.
- Spray signs stating chemical applied, date of application, and when it is safe to re-enter the orchard, must be displayed at each orchard entrance. Once the re-entry date has passed, details of a spray should be removed from this sign.

If you have any questions about your GAP audit, or want to book in a time, please contact the GAP team at Trevelyan's (573 0085 or gap@trevelyan.co.nz).

Flower Bud Counting

Lab staff will begin counting flower buds on orchards around 4th October. Red19 will be



Fruit quality continues to be a challenge this season with fruit loss levels well above where they have been for the last few seasons. For the main four fruit groups, fruit loss at Trevelyan's is still lower than the industry average.



Growing Better Through Orchard Sustainability

Sarah Lei – Sustainability Manager

In recent months there has been a lot of discussion about climate change, both in the media and in this newsletter. While climate change is a critical sustainability issue, it cannot be considered in isolation from our overall sustainability efforts.

The key environmental sustainability issues for a kiwifruit orchard can be broken down as follows:

- a) Climate change mitigation and adaption
- b) Water consumption and quality
- c) Diffuse pollution – chemicals, microplastics etc
- d) Loss of biodiversity
- e) Resource consumption
- f) Nutrient losses

As part of the wider New Zealand kiwifruit industry, we recognise the growing desire to improve our sustainability performance, from our growers right through to the customers who ultimately get to appreciate the amazing health benefits of the products we supply.

Work Smart

Optimise orchard productivity.

Produce a crop which is healthy for people and the planet.

Tread Lightly

Reduce resource inputs / Increase biodiversity / Enhance soil quality / Improve waste management

Respect Our People

Enhance our people.

Provide a healthy and supportive work environment where our people can thrive.

the first variety counted, followed by Gold3, Hayward, and Green14.

Growers will be notified before the counters come to your orchard.

Counts will be available on the grower portal as soon as the counters leave your orchard (except for some orchards that are outside cell phone coverage, in which case data will be available once count staff return to an area that has cell phone coverage).

Crop estimates will be sent to growers, and available on the grower portal, once they are generated for your orchard.

We appreciate you letting us do these counts which give the packhouse a first look at trays expected for the next harvest.

Site Development

We are anticipating another large crop in the 2022 harvest. Preparations are already going ahead on site to accommodate this.

New Coolstores

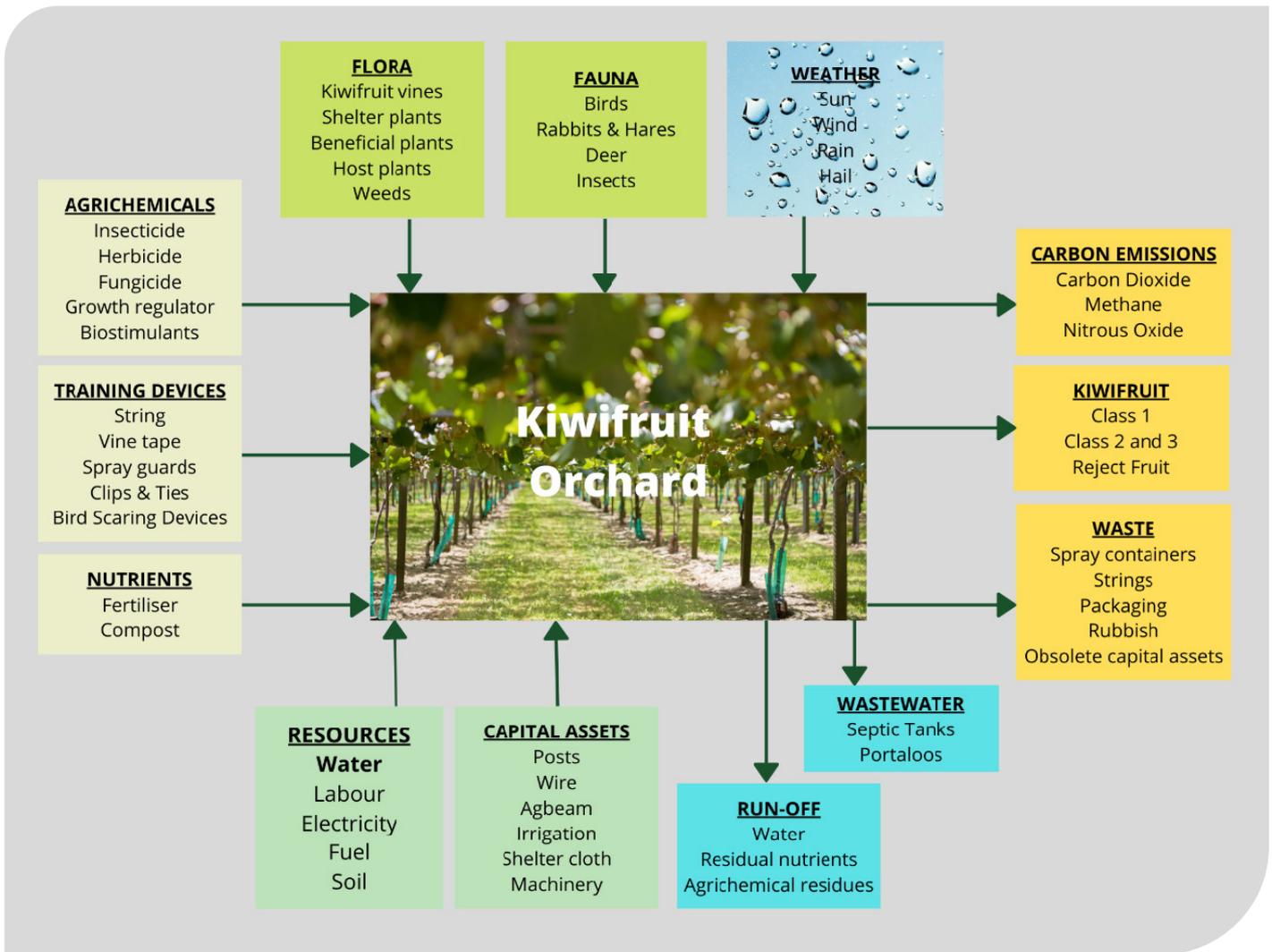
The first of the new coolstores required is already being built. Progress was slowed with no builders allowed to work while we were in Level 4. Since work has started again it has been slowed with a lack of coolstore panels. These are manufactured in Auckland so were not able to be produced until the city moved to a lower alert level.

CA Storage

In 2022 we will be storing more fruit in bins than we are able to pack in the interval between the end of Gold3 harvest and the main part of Hayward harvest. For this reason, three CA (Controlled Atmosphere) stores are being build. In CA stores the atmosphere is controlled, with oxygen concentrations lowered and carbon dioxide concentrations lifted. This is very effective at stopping fruit from respiring and thus extending the period they can remain in bins for. The plan is to pack fruit from the CA stores as soon as Hayward packing is completed.

Packhouse 5

Trevelyan's are considering whether a 5th packhouse will be required for the 2023 season. The decision will depend on the outcomes of the changes Zespri are considering for 2022 (i.e. Procuring extra volume early and packing more bulk packs. If not all these changes are made then it is likely this packhouse will be required for 2023, if they all are it may push the new packhouse back to 2024. Work is currently underway on the design of this packhouse. If required for 2023, construction will begin before the end of harvest in 2022. With staff and material shortages in the construction industry, lead times on projects like this are much longer than they used to be.



Many of the efforts to improve our sustainability performance complement each other, so if we follow some general principles, we can achieve a positive impact across the sustainability spectrum. We have summarised these actions using the Trevelyan's sustainability framework.

To help tackle these challenges, we established our Orchard Sustainability Improvement Group in 2020. This includes representatives from sustainability, grower liaison, orchard management (TMO) and continuous improvement.

As with many sustainability challenges, one of the most difficult things is just getting started. We know the issues and what we want to achieve, but what actions will generate the most meaningful progress?

In this respect we can learn from what we have done within Trevelyan's to build a more sustainable post-harvest operation. The first step is to assess the current situation by summarising all of the inputs and outputs that occur on a kiwifruit orchard.

To help get a better understanding of these processes, we have adopted a Lean principle that we use frequently in

the packhouse where we go to the "gemba" or the "actual place" where things happen. We have taken our orchard sustainability meetings out on to the orchards to better understand the issues and challenges. We have looked at different types of posts, pruning clips and ties, different growing methods, bird scaring etc and this will also evolve with the changing seasons.

What have we learnt so far? That there are 20,000 plastic clips in a box, so if we use a box per hectare then that's 14kg of plastic per hectare per year or 189 tonnes of plastic per year across the 13,508ha of kiwifruit in New Zealand that ultimately end up on (or in) the ground. There's a few assumptions to take into account here but either way, it gives us a sense of the scale of the issue and where we can start to focus our efforts to make a difference.

If you would like us to visit your orchard, or if you have any data that you would like to share with us, please get in touch (sarah.lei@trevelyan.co.nz). In the words of Dr Seuss (from The Lorax)... "Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better, it's not."

It's Not All About Me...

David Parsons – Grower Liaison / Organic Manager



Greetings, I hope you successfully survived lockdown. At the time of writing, we are still at Alert Level 2 – hopefully we've dropped another level as you read this. I suppose a brief introduction is required, prior to giving you some useful information.

Fifteen years in the New Zealand Police followed by a mid-life crisis resulted in 7 ½ years spent in the UK. I had various occupations ranging from working on a hunting estate off the coast of Scotland, to Propagation Foreman for a UK-based salad company growing watercress. I returned to New Zealand in 2007 with my Kiwi wife, Jo, and our two boys.

I started working in the kiwifruit industry in 2008. After stints as a Packing Line Supervisor, Zespri Quality Assessor and Assistant Line Manager, I joined Grower Services at Trevelyan's in 2010 just before Psa broke and have been there ever since. If you can't reach me, I'm hopefully on the golf course.

With everyone in lockdown there has been an abundance of online Zoom meetings, including the most recent Grower Virtual Town Hall meeting, a recording of which is accessible on the Zespri Canopy (Canopy > Zespri & The Kiwifruit Industry > News > Grower Virtual Town Halls 2021). It raised important issues, relevant to all growers, irrespective of their growing method:

- The industry is likely to be 6,500 staff short for the next harvest and packing season, with a lack of available backpackers being the main factor
- There is concern the expected increase in volume of 10-15m trays will add an estimated two weeks to harvest
- Clarity around the future release of Licensed New Varieties will be given after the October Zespri Board meeting.

It has resulted in the creation of a five point action plan which will evaluate potential solutions such as a review of the bulk pack mix, advanced movement and cool storage and possible changes to the colour criteria for GA clearances, with the aim of improving early movement and utilising packing capacity.

There was also an R&D update, now accessible on the Canopy website (Canopy > Zespri & The Kiwifruit Industry > News > Innovation R&D Update). The topics covered are crop protection (scale and sclerotinia control), Psa (bud

rot and pollen) and global sustainability (soil carbon and compost nutrient rates).

On orchard, it has been pleasing to see growers are taking advantage of the mineral oil applications for scale control. Hats off to the Watson family who were busy hand gunning their HWOB trunks and leaders when I visited recently. The window of opportunity is closing for a pre-flowering application – refer to Trevelyan's Organic 2021 Spring Spray Guide (<https://trevelyan.co.nz/spray-guides/>). If possible, lower your fast track prior to application. When left up, fast track provides a nice microclimate for scale and reduces spray coverage to the back of vines. Overall, our growers did an outstanding job in the volume of Japan OK fruit submitted last season, enabling Trevelyan's to submit 70% (GAOB) and 26% (HWOB) of the industry's total Japan OK fruit. It would be much appreciated if you could repeat the feat next season, as it benefits the pool and gives us options in inventory management.

Don't forget your supplementary pollen requirements and flower harvest for the upcoming pollination period. I have order forms available. I've also been contacted by a grower who applied supplementary pollen that we supplied last year, who now requires a covering letter for his BioGro audit this year. If you are in the same position, please call me and I will organise.

Last but by no means least, I would like to thank Nicola Roderick for her hard work and assistance in continuing to write the newsletter articles while I have been absent and I wish her, Jase, and the family all the best in their new endeavours.

Thanks to our growers for your continued support and custom.



Organic Diary

Zespri Organic Growers Innovation Workshop: Friday 8th October
9am-12pm Zespri Offices.
Contact Teresa Whitehead to register.

COKA General Meeting: Thursday
21st October. Venue to be confirmed.

Industry Update

Phil Allison – Information Systems Manager



2022 Harvest Planning

As mentioned in James' cover article, Zespri are working on five key work streams to ease pressure on the industry that has arisen through increasing crops and reducing staff numbers.

It is estimated there will be 10 to 15 million trays more Gold3 to pack in 2022, but around 6,500 fewer staff available at harvest. If nothing changes this will extend the harvest season by a further two weeks compared to the 2021 harvest. Fruit during 2021 was already harvested later than is ideal.

The five work streams are:

- **SunGold Count 39 Fruit** – The main work stream that will impact growers, and the first to be concluded, is 39 count Gold3 fruit. The proposal is that weight bands will change for count 33 to 39 fruit so that most of the 39 count fruit will move into 36 count, and the remaining 39 count fruit will become non-standard supply. This change is already approved and will be implemented for the 2022 harvest. See below for more details on this change.

- **Period 1 Procurement** – There is surplus post-harvest capacity during KiwiStart, particularly once the FPP cap closes and suppliers are packing allocations. There is potential for Zespri to procure additional fruit as allocations to help fill this capacity. This is a departure from the past where KiwiStart has purely been about fruit required by the markets early. The volumes being considered are substantial with a final recommendation targeted for the October IAC meeting.
- **Bulk Pack Mix** – Approximately 40% of Gold3 is packed into layered packs (compared to 20% for Hayward). Layered packs are more labour intensive to pack and take more coolstore space than bulk packs. Zespri are working with the markets to try and lower the percent of layered packs required.
- **Taste and Maturity Clearance** – Many growers last season had their large sized fruit become over-mature while waiting for smaller sizes to clear. Zespri are working with the industry to try and find ways to get fruit harvested at the appropriate time, while maintaining the need to have a taste incentive programme for growers.

- **Shipping Schedule** – Zespri are working with shipping suppliers and the markets to ensure capacity is there to ship all fruit to markets and, where possible, move more fruit to the markets earlier to ease congestion in post-harvest coolstores.

Gold3 Count 39 Fruit

Zespri conducted a survey of growers who had a long interval between their fruit being cleared and when that fruit was harvested.

When asked the reason for the delay, 46% said they were waiting for their 39 count fruit to pass. Often this meant larger fruit was far too mature when it was harvested. There is a need for the industry to remove this impediment to harvest. What is proposed is that weight bands will change for counts 33 and smaller fruit as shown in the chart below.

Weight bands will change for counts 33 and smaller as shown in the table below.

COUNT SIZE	CURRENT WEIGHT BANDS			PROPOSED WEIGHT BANDS		
	Max Weight	Min Weight	Weight Range	Max Weight	Min Weight	Weight Range
33	118	108	10	118	106	12
36	108	95	13	106	91	15
39	95	84	11	91	84	11



Fruit that remains as 39 count will become non-standard supply fruit.

This change will be implemented for the 2022 harvest and be in place for two seasons, after which it will be reviewed.

2022 Licence Release Areas

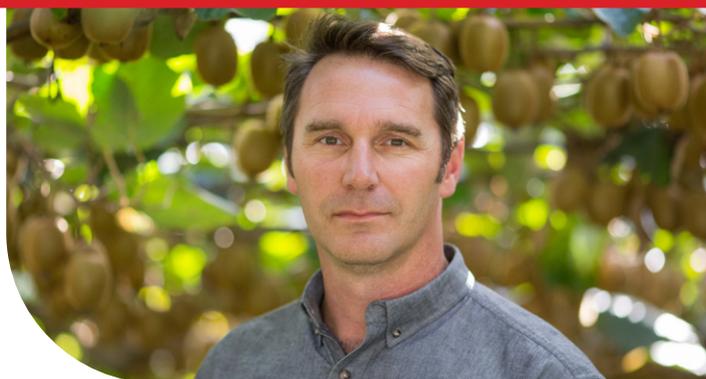
At the October board meeting, Zespri directors will decide how many hectares of licence to release in 2022. They have previously indicated an amount of 700ha Gold3, 50ha Gold3 organic greenfields, and 500ha of Red19, subject to annual review. There are a number of factors the board will consider when making this decision including:

- Consumer demand
- Uncertainty brought about through COVID19, border closures, labour shortages, and cost increases
- Year-on-year increases in yields of mature crops, in excess of previous assumptions of crop yields.

Depending on the outcomes of these discussions, the indicative volumes of release may be maintained or reduced.

Technical Information

Gordon Skipage – Kiwifruit Technical Manager



2021 – A Cautionary Tale In Dry Matter Accumulation

It has been well documented that the 2021 harvest season was not a stellar year for fruit quality with a number of growers struggling to harvest smaller Gold3 sizes as they failed to meet Zespri Minimum Taste Standards (MTS).

As growers delayed harvest to test (and retest) smaller fruit to gain a clearance, the resulting harvest delay caused larger (mature) fruit to “overripen” on the vine. Such delays cause numerous issues in store and in market as fruit quality is compromised – an issue which the industry is still dealing with.

In an effort to take some learnings from the 2021 season, Zespri commissioned horticultural consultant Lynda Hawes to visit and interview the growers/orchard managers of 10 affected Bay of Plenty sites affected by low dry matter. Of the sites visited, the proportion of the crop that did not pass the dry matter threshold varied between 10% - 100% (yes – at least one Bay of Plenty Gold3 orchard did not harvest any fruit!).

Lynda’s findings were interesting, but in most cases, not unexpected – we’ve been communicating these key messages for years.

Key findings drawn from Lynda’s investigation include:

1. The 2021 season was not a “low” dry matter year as many may think, rather data suggests it was an “average” year.
2. In Te Puke there were 8% less sunshine hours recorded during the summer months of January – March in 2021 compared to the 2019 and 2020 seasons.
 - a. While not the cause of low dry matter fruit, for orchards that were challenged in other ways it would have been more difficult for the vine to accumulate dry matter through these months compared to previous years.
3. Acknowledgment that every orchard is unique and your orchard may never be able to match some of the high production figures we all hear about.
 - a. Growers must recognise potential site limitations of the orchard (i.e. poor soils, lack of irrigation, altitude etc) and establish a more moderate target number of winter buds (or flowers or fruit) if required.
 - i. Review yield and dry matter history over time (not just one year or last year) as this will give a more accurate picture of what is achievable.

4. Completing flower and fruit counts on enough bays to accurately determine crop load and variability through the orchard is extremely important.
 - a. Relying on the “eyemeter” method to estimate fruit/m² was proven to be extremely inaccurate – despite how good you think your eye is.
 - i. Consider using commercial digital scanning services provided by companies such as Fruitometry or Green Atlas if required.
5. Ensure flower bud and fruit thinning is completed on time.
6. Ensure summer canopy work is completed on time - avoid excessive vegetative growth as this draws dry matter away from fruit.
7. Pollination is critical - have a plan for pollen application during flowering in case it is needed.
8. Consider a dry matter girdle in February.

With the predicted industry labour shortages this season, so many of the tasks highlighted in Lynda’s report may be even harder to complete on time so greater thought/planning on how to achieve them is required. Many of the astute growers I’ve talked to have already factored labour into the equation for this season, purposely reducing crop numbers to compensate for the lack of staff to better ensure tasks are completed on time.

Reducing crop numbers in Gold3 results in larger, higher dry matter fruit, offsetting the impact of harvesting fewer individual pieces of fruit.

Over the next few weeks, you will have a much clearer picture of flower numbers which will enable you to develop a thinning strategy. Depending on your appetite for risk, aiming for around 55 flowers/m² is a comfortable target for most, but as indicated in Lynda’s paper, this is also influenced by orchard “limitations”. To assist you with these decisions, try using the Trevelyan’s Flower Conversion Matrix to determine what flower bud numbers equate to in trays/hectare (<https://trevelyan.co.nz/growth-charts-and-calculators/>).

Lynda’s paper entitled “Dry Matter Matters” is available on the Zespri Canopy (Canopy > Growing Kiwifruit > Global Extension Team > Grower Trials & Analysis > Taste & Dry Matter Trials) – it is a very good and insightful read.

Psa Management Through Spring Is Critical

Spring often brings with it a range of emotions for growers – the excitement of a new growing season mixed with the apprehension of potential frosts, bird strike, inconsistent budbreak, Psa, flower thinning and a busy spray programme. Take a deep breath, have a cuppa and make a plan for the spring season ahead.

Psa hasn't gone away and remains one of the critical management tasks for every grower. As the plant grows rapidly through spring, it is often the time where the plant is most susceptible to Psa and when symptoms are most visible.

Plant and Food Research trial work presented at the KVH Annual Psa R&D update events in 2020 and 2021 highlight that Psa infection occurs in the weeks prior to the expression of the symptoms – protecting the vines in the weeks prior to Labour Weekend seems to be the key to reduce the effects of Psa. It is important therefore, to apply Psa protectant sprays regularly from budbreak until Labour Weekend to reduce Psa symptoms including leafspot, flower budrot, cankers and cane dieback.

HW Psa Bud Infection

Plant and Food Research have identified the peak infection period for Hayward flower buds as around three weeks after budbreak. Subjected to "favourable conditions" (i.e. rainfall and Psa inoculum), Hayward flower buds are highly susceptible to infection, leading to a higher rate of bud browning/bud rot if controls are not undertaken. Maintain

a strong Psa management programme through October – (i.e. applications of copper/Aureo Gold/Actigard etc) and proactively cut out (and remove) infected plant material. Remember, the more Psa inoculum in the orchard, the greater the risk of infection.

A pre-flower trunk girdle 30 days before flowering remains an effective Psa management tool for HW and G14 blocks with a history of flower bud infection but be careful to avoid girdling stressed vines or vines with no history of bud rot, as it could result in a reduction in spring canopy growth (Sep/Oct 2017 Kiwifruit Journal: Flower bud rot and the pre-flowering girdle – Beth Kyd and William Max).

Gold3 Psa Bud Infection

Gold3 flower bud infection presents differently to Hayward and results in the bud development stalling and turning orange in colour before aborting. Infection symptoms may continue after fruitset as small lesions appear on fruit stalks, resulting in fruitlet abortion.

Plant and Food Research trials have detected Psa in developing flower buds four weeks after budbreak, suggesting that Psa protection measures are needed prior to this. Like Hayward, maintaining a strong Psa management programme through October is important. Don't be tempted to conduct a pre-flower trunk girdle on Gold3 however, as this may stall growth resulting in bud/fruitlet abortion, small and low dry matter fruit (Dec 2018/Jan 2019 Kiwifruit Journal: Back to basics: trunk girdling - Cam Clayton).



Figure 1. Example of HW bud stage at the "early" window of infection (Shahjahan Kabir (Kabir) - Bud rot in Hayward and Gold3).

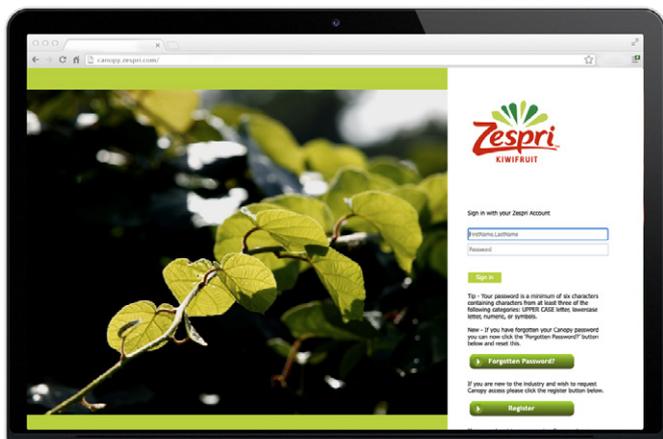
Red19 growers should note that the flower bud infection window for red will be ahead of Gold3 (as it breaks earlier than the surrounding Gold3) so your strong Psa programme should also start earlier.

What Else Can I Do?

The GoldFutures project was a four-year pan-industry Psa research project designed to educate industry on Psa “best practice” on Gold3. The key findings of this project suggest growers should “do the little things right” including:

- Being aggressive with young plantings by adopting a strong Psa programme from the start.
- Maintain good tool hygiene to reduce Psa spreading between vines, blocks and orchards.
- Adopt a “cut-it-out” programme to lower inoculum levels in the orchard.
 - Remove Psa infections regularly throughout the season (and protect the wound sites).
- Maintain a robust spray programme throughout the season.
 - Apply Psa protectants such as copper especially around high-risk events such as winter pruning.
- Learn to use the KVH Psa risk infection model.
- Have your own sprayer (or sprayers) where possible, allowing you to be more responsive to risk rather than waiting on contractors (who are also servicing other growers).

A video recording of the Zespri Innovation R&D update meeting held on 9th September 2021 can be found on the Zespri Canopy (Canopy > Zespri & The Kiwifruit Industry > News > Innovation R&D Update recording now available).



Upcoming Events

NB: All events are subject to COVID-19 alert levels and potential limits on the number of people who can attend.

Zespri Roadshows

The next series of Zespri Roadshows will be held in late October/early November.

Waikato	Friday 29th October - 2:30pm to 4:30pm	Hidden Lake Hotel, 34E Lake Street, Cambridge
Hawke's Bay	Monday 1st November - 8:30am to 10:30am	The Crown Hotel, Bridge Street and Hardinge Road, Napier
Gisborne	Monday 1st November - 4pm to 6pm	Bushmere Arms Hotel, 673 Matawai Road, Waerengahika
Opotiki	Tuesday 2nd November - 9:30am to 11:30am	Opotiki RSA, 103 St John Street, Opotiki
Edgecumbe	Tuesday 2nd November - 3pm to 5pm	Matata Rugby Club, 12 Division Street, Matata
Tauranga	Wednesday 3rd November - 6pm to 8pm	Zespri Offices, 400 Maunganui Road, Mount Maunganui
Katikati	Thursday 4th November - 1:00pm to 3:00pm	Fairview Golf Club, 34 Sharp Road, Aongatete
Te Puke	Friday 5th November - 9:30am to 11:30am	The Orchard Church, 20 MacLoughlin Drive, Te Puke

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Colin's Chatter

Colin Olesen – TGL Chair



Planning In A COVID World

Your directors' September meeting is to be held after I write this, so there is no report from that meeting. We continue to see positive storage results for our fruit as it leaves our coolstores for shipping. The Supplier Accountability returns for the quality of our fruit when it arrives in market now gets further focus as the season progresses.

Our kiwifruit industry continues to develop and grow which is good. But not all industries within our communities are in as fortunate a position as our kiwifruit industry. I think especially of the hospitality sector. With changes in COVID alert levels, the closing up and/or reopening of businesses provides opportunity for the most skilled organisers to show their qualities. Organising and re-organising supplies, personnel, along with travel timetables, and thus the travelling public, must at times be a nightmare.

I salute these people that do this type of work and even more so, those that thrive in such an environment.

What an interesting world we live in. Certainty appears now to be a dream, and adjustability the new norm.

I flew over seas yesterday. The plane was at capacity and everyone was masked up. There was plenty of talk on the flight with nearly everyone, apart from a gently crying baby, in a boisterous mood. I was surprised how relaxed everyone was. Even the flight attendants appeared to enjoy their travel. Perhaps that was, in part, because they were doing their job and getting their full normal pay packet. Not everyone was going on holiday. Some were reading their business papers ready for an upcoming meeting. What was also silently profound was the respect each person had for those around them. None appeared concerned about getting back home.

My plane landed safely at Christchurch Airport and I am confident that, provided COVID Level Two remains the order of the day, I will return to Te Puke next week without any need to stay in an MIQ facility.

For TGL it is election time. This year two directors that retire by rotation (but are eligible for re-election), are Simon Cook and myself. Stacey Beer resigned as a director at the end of June. Nominations are open for the three positions. Please consider who you feel should be nominated. A nomination form can be obtained from the Trevelyan's office and nominations close at 5pm on 12th October.



Simon Cook.



Colin Olesen.



Stacey Beer.



Staff Profile: Peter Crotty

What is your role and how long have you worked at Trevelyan's?

I have joined Trevelyan's as a Grower Liaison Representative. I started during Alert Level 4, which made for an unusual start to joining the business but have found the team helpful and welcoming.

What's your favourite thing about working at Trevelyan's?

The fact that Trevelyan's is family-owned, as opposed to a corporate

business, is a positive for me.

What are your main interests/hobbies outside of work?

I enjoy most outdoor activities but hanging out with my young grandson is important to me. I spend a lot of time around my lifestyle block (often referred to as my life sentence block) which we have transformed from scrub and zero trees by planting hundreds of native trees. We now enjoy many species of native birds living around us.

I enjoy fishing both ocean and lakes, mountain biking and spending time with family and friends sharing good wine and food.

What would you like people to know about you?

I'm easy going however, I expect people to treat me the way they would like to be treated.



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Upcoming Events

NB: All events are subject to COVID-19 alert levels and potential limits on the number of people who can attend.

Zespri Irrigation Workshops - October

Waikato	Tuesday 12th October - 10am to 2pm	Heritage Farm, 982 Kaipaki Road Cambridge
Katikati	Wednesday 13th October - 10am to 2pm	Twin Kauri Orchard, 148 Matahui Road Katikati
Opotiki	Thursday 14th October - 10am to 2pm	Hallshan Orchard, 6 Pilkington Place Opotiki
Pukehina	Monday 18th October - 10am to 2pm	Golden Meadows Orchard, 2081 SH2 Pukehina

Biosecurity Industry Day

This will be held on Thursday 11th November from 9:00am to 1:00pm. The venue is Trustpower BayPark, 81 Truman Lane, Mount Maunganui. This event was previously scheduled for 2nd September but was postponed due to COVID alert level changes.

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