



**KALAMIA CANE GROWERS
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Weekly Web Round Up

Friday, 19th March 2021

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1. NQ Dry Tropics Workshop Invite – Optimising Soil Health
Posted – 15/3/21

Optimising Soil Health & Benefits of Cover Crops

**With David Hardwick
& Simon Mattsson**

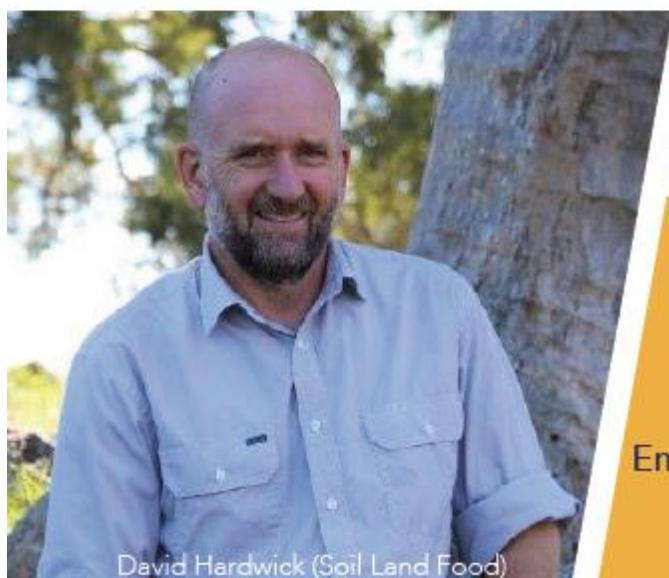
NQ Dry Tropics invites growers to a three-part workshop in Ayr (venue and times TBC). Learn how to use cover crops to optimise soil health and production benefits.

Friday Monday Monday
19 March 12 April 10 May

Learn the seven essential steps
to managing soils.

Understand principles of
regenerative
soil management.


NQ DRY TROPICS



David Hardwick (Soil Land Food)

**121 SheepStation
Creek rd
Mount Kelly
RSVP by 14 March**

Contact Michael Hobbs

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These events are funded through
the Queensland Government
Reef Water Quality Program.


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2. QSL Information Brief – Posted – 15/3/21



Dear Members,

Please find below a short news & information brief from QSL that you may wish to use in your communications to your members.

- **QSL Market Update:** Don't miss this week's video market update on our [Facebook page](#). Join Matt Page, Treasury & Risk Senior Manager, on Wednesday 17 March from 4pm.
- **QSL Standard Advance rate increase:** The QSL Standard Advance Rate will increase by 5% to 87.5% this week from 17 March 2021. The next scheduled Advance rate increase is a move to 90% from 14 April 2021. To see the remainder of the scheduled Advances rate increases for the 2020 Season, just [click here](#).
- **Key dates:**
 - **1 March – 30 April 2021**
QSL Actively Managed Pool: Nominations open for 2021-Season QSL Actively Managed Pool.
 - **12 March 2021**
QSL Pre-Crush Advance Payment Scheme: Nominations close for the QSL Pre-Crush Advance payment.
 - **26 March 2021**
QSL Pre-Crush Advance Payment Scheme: Pre-Crush Advance Payment scheme is paid to growers.
 - **15 April 2021**
Individual Futures & Self-Managed Harvest Contract: Pricing Completion Date for May 2021 Contract for growers using the 2020 Individual Futures Contract or Self-Managed Harvest Contract.
 - **15 April 2021**
Defaulting Target Price & Grower Floor Price Contracts: Nominations close for the 2021-Season Defaulting Target Price Contract and Grower Floor Price Contract. Any unfilled orders will automatically be cancelled after this date.

If members have any questions in regards to the above, please don't hesitate to get in contact with:

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- Kristen Paterson - Grower Relationship Officer – 0438 470 235
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Current as at 15 March 2021

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3. Dr Peter Ridd – Social Media Extract – Posted – 18/3/21

From Dr Peter Ridd

This is a major step forward in the battle to stop our universities trampling on academic freedom of speech. It means, for example, that if an academic with 30 years' experience working on the Reef believes there is a systemic quality assurance problem with science coming from another institution at his university, he can say this and not be fired. It is a no brainer, and it should not have needed this legislation. JCU kept on saying free speech was in their DNA – but clearly JCU does not understand the concept.

The new legislation does not affect my legal problems as we are fighting under the laws of 2018. But I am delighted none the less. With all the bad news of late on freedom of speech, this is worthy of celebration. The Commonwealth government has drawn a line in the sand. There are so many I need to thank. Minister Alan Tudge for steering the legislation through the final stages, and Minister Dan Tehan for the initial phases. Pauline Hanson and Malcolm Roberts were also prime movers. I read the Hansard Senate transcripts from yesterday and there were excellent speeches from Senator Rennick, Scarr, Small, Ruston, O'Sullivan, Abetz Henderson and others. Then there is George Christensen who has been a stalwart supporter of the cause. Bob Katter's support was also appreciated.

This is certainly not the end of the fight to reclaim our universities. According to Alan Tudge's press release today,

<https://ministers.dese.gov.au/.../protecting-freedom...>

only half of Australia's universities are fully, or mostly, aligned with the new code of academic freedom proposed by ex-high court judge Robert French.

And let us not forget that JCU is still fighting its untenable moral position in the High Court. It might ultimately manage to prove what it did was legal – at that time. It can never demonstrate it was right or proper. Dan Tehan, who introduced this legislation into parliament stated “the legal advice that I have is that they wouldn't have been able to prosecute Peter Ridd if these laws had of been in place. Now, that's the advice that I've been given ...”

If JCU wins at the High Court it will be, at best, a pyrrhic victory. JCU will have smashed its reputation further by arguing against the spirit of the new legislation, and public expectations. If they lose what can I say?

Academic Freedom of Speech Bill passes through Parliament



James Cook University
made it necessary.

4. BPS, DAF & AgriTech Workshop Invitation – Posted 18/3/21

Managing pests, diseases and irrigation for Burdekin legume crops

BPS, DAF and AgriTech Solutions invite growers and advisors to an update on managing pests, diseases and irrigation for Burdekin legume crops.

Hear from a range of speakers who will help you to get the most from your legume crops.

Speakers

Lisa Kelly - Disease management

Hugh Brier - Pest management and IPM

Paul McIntosh - Grain quality and the value chain

Steve Attard - Irrigation management

Jack Robinson & Terry Granshaw - Spray application

When and where: choose a workshop that best fits your schedule

Wednesday March 24

7.45 am - 11.00 am

Dino Poletto's shed, 92 Garrone Rd, Shirbourne

1.00 pm - 4.30 pm

Chris Lyne's shed, 29304 Home Hill Road, Ayr
(opposite the United Service Station)

Thursday March 25

7.45 am - 11.00 am

Eric Barbagallo's shed, 328 Georgees Road,
Home Hill. Please enter via Georgees Rd rather than from the highway

1.00 pm - 4.30 pm

Mio College, Clare

Morning / afternoon tea will be provided.

Please RSVP for catering purposes to BPS (4783 1101) or Terry Granshaw (0437 553 149) by **4 pm** Monday March 22.

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