

# Subtropical banana information kit

Reprint – information current in 2004



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This publication has been reprinted as a digital book without any changes to the content published in 2004. We advise readers to take particular note of the areas most likely to be out-of-date and so requiring further research:

- Chemical recommendations—check with an agronomist or Infopest [www.infopest.qld.gov.au](http://www.infopest.qld.gov.au)
- Financial information—costs and returns listed in this publication are out of date. Please contact an adviser or industry body to assist with identifying more current figures.
- Varieties—new varieties are likely to be available and some older varieties may no longer be recommended. Check with an agronomist, call the Business Information Centre on 13 25 23, visit our website [www.deedi.qld.gov.au](http://www.deedi.qld.gov.au) or contact the industry body.
- Contacts—many of the contact details may have changed and there could be several new contacts available. The industry organisation may be able to assist you to find the information or services you require.
- Organisation names—most government agencies referred to in this publication have had name changes. Contact the Business Information Centre on 13 25 23 or the industry organisation to find out the current name and contact details for these agencies.
- Additional information—many other sources of information are now available for each crop. Contact an agronomist, Business Information Centre on 13 25 23 or the industry organisation for other suggested reading.

Even with these limitations we believe this information kit provides important and valuable information for intending and existing growers.

**This publication was last revised in 2004. The information is not current and the accuracy of the information cannot be guaranteed by the State of Queensland.**

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## *Contacts &* **REFERENCES**

*Want more information? This chapter helps to direct you to the other important providers and sources of subtropical banana information. Names are provided solely for assisting readers to make contact. Inclusion of a person or organisation does not constitute an endorsement by the Department of Primary Industries or the authors, nor does it endorse a particular person or organisation over others not mentioned. Lists of names are based on the best knowledge available to the authors at the time of printing. The authors regret any omissions.*

### **Banana grower associations**

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The Australian Banana Growers' Council is the specialist grower organisation which services banana growers throughout Australia. This organisation is the peak industry body providing industry representation on national issues, organising special levy collection and providing a range of services. The secretariat for the organisation is:

#### **Australian Banana Growers' Council**

PO Box 414

BRISBANE QLD 4001

Ph: (07) 3220 0407; Fax: (07) 3221 5182

Email: [kmabgc@odyssey.com.au](mailto:kmabgc@odyssey.com.au) Web: [www.abgc.org.au](http://www.abgc.org.au)

Other organizations involved in the banana industry on a state or regional basis are:

#### **Banana Growers Queensland Limited**

PO Box 1078

TULLY QLD 4854

Ph: (07) 4088 6145; Fax: (07) 4088 6146

Email: [heather.hine@bgq.com.au](mailto:heather.hine@bgq.com.au)

**Bananas New South Wales**

PO Box 775

MURWILLUMBAH NSW 2484

Ph: 02 66726269; Fax: 02 66726633

Mob: 0419 709696

Email: ross@bananasnsw.org.au

**Queensland Fruit & Vegetable Growers**

PO Box 19

BRISBANE MARKET QLD 4106

Ph: (07) 3213 2444; Fax: (07) 3213 2480

Email: qfvg@qfvg.org.au

Web: www.qfvg.org.au

**The Growers' Access Line** numbers are:

Ph: 1800 654 222; Fax: 1800 650 196

**Jodie Campbell**Industry Development Officer–subtropical  
bananas

Queensland Fruit &amp; Vegetable Growers

PO Box 19

BRISBANE MARKET QLD 4106

Ph: (07) 3213 2427; Fax: (07) 3278 6173

Email: jcampbell@qfvg.org.au

**Don Pollock**

Program Manager–bananas

Queensland Fruit &amp; Vegetable Growers

PO Box 422

TULLY QLD 4854

Ph: (07) 4068 3330; Fax: (07) 4068 2250

Mob: 0427 130 714

Email: dpollock@qfvg.org.au

**Bundaberg Fruit and Vegetable Growers****Banana Sub-committee**

PO Box 45

BUNDABERG QLD 4670

Ph: (07) 4153 3007; Fax: (07) 4153 1322

Email: bfvfg@interworx.com.au

**Banana Industry Protection Board**

Nevan Janetzki, Secretary

GPO Box 46

BRISBANE QLD 4000

Ph: (07) 3239 3233; Fax: (07) 3239 3510

Email: nevan.janetzki@dpi.qld.gov.au

**Organic grower associations**

These organisations provide information about certification standards and processes; they do not provide general advisory service about organic fruit production. Special services are also provided to members after joining. Kits containing information on membership and certification standards and processes are available for purchase.

**Biological Farmers of Australia (BFA)**

PO Box 3404

TOOWOOMBA VILLAGE FAIR QLD 4350

Ph: (07) 4639 3299; Fax: (07) 4639 3755

Email: bfa@icr.com.au

**Bio-Dynamic Agricultural Association of Australia**

c/- Post Office

POWELLTOWN VIC 3797

Ph: (03) 5966 7333; Fax: (03) 5966 7433

**National Association for Sustainable Agriculture Australia Ltd (NASAA)**

PO Box 768

STIRLING SA 5152

Ph: (08) 8370 8455; Fax: (08) 8370 8381

Email: nassa@dove.mpt.net.au

**The Organic Food Chain Pty Ltd**

PO Box 2390

TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350

Ph/Fax: (07) 4637 2600

**QBAN registered banana nurseries**

Contact the Secretary, Banana Industry Protection Board (BIPB) (Ph: 07 3239 3233 to obtain a list of currently registered QBAN nurseries.

**Planting permits/material suppliers**

Contact the DPI plant health inspectors at the Maroochy Research Station at Nambour to obtain a list of currently registered planting permits and material suppliers Ph: (07) 5444 9604).

### Regulatory Officers, NSW Agriculture Coffs Harbour

Ann Webster, Ph: (02) 6650 3111

### Kempsey

Michael Cagnacci, Ph: (02) 6562 6244

### Grafton

David McIver, Ph: (02) 6640 1600

### Alstonville

Peter Regan, Ph: (02) 6626 2449

### Mullumbimby

Terry Grant, Ph: (02) 6684 2100

### Murwillumbah

Greg Wassell, Ph: (02) 6672 2770

## Plant, soil and water testing laboratories

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Many growers' produce stores sell soil and leaf sampling kits.

### Casco Agritech Laboratory Services

PO Box 549

214 McDougall Street

TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350

Ph: (07) 4633 0599; Fax: (07) 4633 0711

Email: castwb@casco.com.au

Web: www.casco.com.au

### Crop Tech Pty Ltd

410 Langbeckers East Road

Bundaberg QLD 4670

Ph: (07) 4155 6344; Fax: (07) 4155 6656

Email: croptech@croptech.com.au

Web: www.croptech.com.au

### Dr W Holloway

14 Enterprise Street

BUNDABERG QLD 4670

Ph: (07) 4153 1440; Fax: (07) 4153 5247

### Incitec Ltd

Nigel Bodinnar, Technical Services Manager

Incitec Pivot Ltd

GPO Box 1322L

MELBOURNE VIC 3001

Mob: 0408 500216; Fax: (03) 54393209

Email: nigel.bodinnar@incitecpivot.com.au

## Windbreak and native vegetation

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For information on windbreak design and species selection, land clearing and the management of remnant native vegetation, contact the organisations below or your local landcare group.

### Ashley J. Sewell

PO Box 131

LANDSBOROUGH QLD 4550

Mob: 0404 859 294

### Greening Australia

Enquiries from growers will be directed to the landcare officer in your area.

General enquiries:

GPO Box 9868

BRISBANE QLD 4001

333 Bennets Rd

NORMAN PARK QLD 4170

Ph: (07) 3902 4444; Fax: (07) 3902 4422

Email: general@qld.greeningaustralia.org.au

Web: www.greeningaustralia.org.au

### NSW Agriculture, Orange office

For 24 hour answering service:

Ph: 1800 028 374; Fax: 1800 642 065

The Cashier, NSW Agriculture

Locked Bag 21

ORANGE NSW 2800

Web: www.agric.nsw.gov.au

## Equipment manufacturers/suppliers

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Tree & plant Injection Systems Manufacturers  
Queensland, Australia

Ph: (07) 5455 4944 Fax: (07) 5455 4944

Web: www.treeinjectors.com

## Banana wholesalers

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Contact the Association of Australian Banana Wholesalers (AABW) to obtain contact details of wholesalers in Australia.

Association of Australian Banana Wholesalers (AABW)

Mr Tony Imeson, Secretary  
 Melbourne Markets  
 Mailbox Box 113  
 542 Footscray Road  
 WEST MELBOURNE VIC 3003  
 Ph: (03) 9689 3233; Fax: (03) 9689 9233  
 Email: vicchamber@freshstate.com.au

### **Inspections for interstate produce shipments**

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Contact the nearest horticultural office of your state department of agriculture for the names of local inspectors. To find your nearest horticultural DPI office in Queensland, phone the DPI Call Centre on 132523 between 8 am and 8 pm, Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays, for the cost of a local call.

### **Market information (prices & quality)**

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#### **General market issues**

Vegetable Market Price Reporting, Market Intelligence, Historic Data, Outturn Reporting and Product Assessment.

#### **Ausmarket consultants**

Trevor Brewer  
 PO Box 229  
 BRISBANE MARKET QLD 4106  
 Ph: (07) 3379 4576; Fax: (07) 3379 4103  
 Mob: 041 771 2427  
 Email: info@ausmarket.net.au  
 Web: www.ausmarket.net.au

Participating services in Ausmarket Consultants include separate businesses within Australia's terminal markets under independent trading names. Ausmarket Consultants will refer clients to service providers in the other main markets. Many of the participating services in the Ausmarket Consultants group are also involved in National Quality Management Programs initiated and co-ordinated by other companies and organisations.

### **Export associations**

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**Australian Horticultural Exporters Association**  
 Institute of Horticultural Development  
 Private Bag 15  
 FERNTREE GULLY DC VIC 3156  
 Ph: (03) 9210 9380; Fax: (03) 9210 9381  
 Email: ahea@ahea.net.au  
 Web site: www.ahea.net.au

### **Chemical and spraying information**

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**AVCARE LIMITED**  
 National Association for Crop Protection and Animal Health  
 Level 2, AMP Building  
 1 Hobart Place  
 CANBERRA ACT 2601  
 Locked Bag 916  
 CANBERRA ACT 2601  
 Ph: (02) 6230-6399; Fax: (02) 6230-6355  
 Email: info@avcare.org.au  
 Web: www.avcare.org.au

**ChemCert Australia**  
 PO Box E10  
 KINGSTON ACT 2604  
 Ph: 02 6273 2308  
 Web: www.chemcert.org.au

**ChemCert Training Queensland Inc**  
 University of Queensland, Gatton Campus  
 GATTON QLD 4343  
 Ph: (07) 5460 1295; Fax: (07) 5460 1283  
 Mob: 0427 732 886  
 Email: chemcertqld@bigpond.com

**Chemcert (NSW) Ltd**  
 249 Bronte Road  
 WAVERLY NSW 2024  
 Ph: (02) 9387 4714; Fax (02) 9387 4746  
 Mob: 0407 938 704 (Julie McAlpin, Executive Manager)  
 Email: chemcertnsw@bigpond.com  
 Web: www.chemcert.com.au

**SMARTtrain****NSW Agriculture and TAFE**

Contact your local TAFE institute or NSW  
Agriculture office

[www.lg.tafensw.edu.au/smarttrain](http://www.lg.tafensw.edu.au/smarttrain)

**Victoria:** Ph: (03) 5622 2055

Fax: (03) 5622 2199

Email: [chemcertvic@sympac.com.au](mailto:chemcertvic@sympac.com.au)

**South Australia:** Ph: (08) 8226 0514

Email: [Johnson.Meredie@saugov.sa.gov.au](mailto:Johnson.Meredie@saugov.sa.gov.au)

**Tasmania:** Ph: (03) 6331 2131

Email: [tritb@bigpond.com.au](mailto:tritb@bigpond.com.au)

**Western Australia:** Ph/Fax: (08) 9341 5325

Email: [farmcarewa@bigpond.com.au](mailto:farmcarewa@bigpond.com.au)

**Northern Territory:** Ph: (08) 8973 8346

Email: [chemcertnt@kthntrc.ntrc.nt.gov.au](mailto:chemcertnt@kthntrc.ntrc.nt.gov.au)

**Infopest–pest on CD-ROM**

Department of Primary Industries

Animal & Plant Health Services

GPO Box 46

BRISBANE QLD 4001

Ph: (07) 3239 3967; Fax: (07) 3211 3293

Email: [infopest@dpi.qld.gov.au](mailto:infopest@dpi.qld.gov.au)

Web: <http://www.dpi.qld.gov.au/infopest/>

**Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority**

PO Box E240

KINGSTON ACT 2604

Ph: (02) 6272 5852; Fax: (02) 6272 4753

Email: [contact@apvma.gov.au](mailto:contact@apvma.gov.au)

Web: [www.apvma.gov.au](http://www.apvma.gov.au)

**NSW Environmental Protection Authority (EPA)**

General Enquiries: Ph: 131 555

Web: [www.epa.nsw.gov.au](http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au)

**Government technical services****Banana technical enquiries  
(commercial growers only)****Horticulture extension and plant health officers**

Department of Primary Industries

Maroochy Research Station

PO Box 5083 (SCMC)

NAMBOUR QLD 4560

Ph: (07) 5441 2211; Fax: (07) 5441 2235

**NSW Agriculture**

Arthur Akehurst

PO Box 823

MURWILLUMBAH NSW 2484

Ph: (02) 6672 2770; Fax: (02) 6672 3571

Or

Peter Newley/Greig Ireland

PO Box 530

COFF'S HARBOUR NSW 2450

Ph: (02) 6650 3111; Fax: (02) 6651 2780

**The DPI Call Centre**

The DPI Call Centre provides help in accessing the range of DPI information products and services. The Centre operates from Monday to Friday, 8 am to 8 pm. You can access this service from anywhere in Queensland for the cost of a local call. The DPI Call Centre number is 132523.

**Forestry extension officers**

In Queensland, forestry extension officers are available for expert assistance with tree use on farms including windbreak design and species selection, clearing, timber production and forest enrichment. Your local office of the Department of Natural Resources (Queensland) can put you in contact with your nearest forestry extension officer.

**Land conservation extension officers**

Land conservation extension officers are available to provide expert assistance in planning farm layouts and providing advice on land management.

Your local office of the Department of Natural Resources (Queensland) can put you in contact with your nearest land conservation officer.

#### New South Wales

Department of Land and Water Conservation

PO Box 796

MURWILLUMBAH NSW 2484

Ph: 02 66 725488

COFFS HARBOUR NSW

Ph: 02 6653 0117

#### Water advisory officers

Water advisory officers are available for expert assistance on all aspects of water use on farms including dam construction and maintenance, stream licensing, bore development, irrigation selection and design and water quality. They also provide advice on farm drainage problems. Your local office of the Department of Natural Resources (Queensland) can put you in contact with your nearest water advisory officer.

#### Farm financial counselling service

In Queensland, DPI provides business advisory services to producers who are in difficulty from continuing environmental and economic pressures. Trained counsellors can help in the analysis of financial situations and the development of business plans. Your local DPI office can put you in touch with your nearest financial counsellor.

#### Library and literature search services

DPI's Central Library in Brisbane provides a range of special information services that may be of interest to growers. These include:

- access to the library's extensive book and journal collection
- on-line public access catalogue (OPAC) terminals. (These provide access to the DPI library catalogue and to material held in the State Library of Queensland in Brisbane only.)
- literature searches from CD-ROM and the Internet (fee charged).

General enquiries can be directed to:

BRISBANE: Ph: (07) 3239 3126

Fax: (07) 3239 3128

Or to the following DPI library staff:

Robin Gallagher and Pat Abbott

Ph: (07) 3239 3124; Fax: (07) 3239 3131

#### Other information sources

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The Department of Primary Industries has a specialist team providing information and expertise to assist you to make trade and business decisions. For enquiries, please contact:

Ms Devinka Wanigsekera

General Manager—Rural Market Development

GPO Box 46

BRISBANE QLD 4001

Ph: (07) 3239 0524; Fax: (07) 3221 3896

Email: [rmd@dpi.qld.gov.au](mailto:rmd@dpi.qld.gov.au)

Farmsafe Qld Ltd

PO Box 785

THURINGOWA CENTRAL QLD 4817

Ph/Fax: (07) 4774 0522

Free call: 1800 818 006

Email: [jcupples@farmsafe.com.au](mailto:jcupples@farmsafe.com.au)

Web: [www.farmsafe.com.au](http://www.farmsafe.com.au)

Workcover New South Wales

Ph: 13 10 50

Publication orderline: 1800 658 134

Web: [www.workcover.nsw.gov.au](http://www.workcover.nsw.gov.au)

#### Agricultural booksellers

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These booksellers specialise in agricultural books.

DPI Publications

GPO Box 46

BRISBANE QLD 4001

Ph: 1800 816 541; Fax: (07) 3239 6509

Email: [books@dpi.qld.gov.au](mailto:books@dpi.qld.gov.au)

Web: [www.dpi.qld.gov.au/catalogue](http://www.dpi.qld.gov.au/catalogue)

**NSW Agriculture, Orange office**  
 For 24 hour answering service:  
 Ph: 1800 028 374; Fax: 1800 642 065  
 The Cashier, NSW Agriculture  
 Locked Bag 21  
 ORANGE NSW 2800  
 Web: [www.agric.nsw.gov.au](http://www.agric.nsw.gov.au)

**D & A Information Services**  
 PO Box 163  
 MITCHAM VIC 3132  
 Ph: 03 9210 7777; Fax: 03 9210 7788  
 Email: [service@dadirect.com.au](mailto:service@dadirect.com.au)

**Granny Smith's Bookshop**  
 PO Box 27  
 SUBIACO WA 6008  
 Ph: (08) 9388 1965; Fax: (08) 9388 1852  
 Email: [granny@aoi.co.au](mailto:granny@aoi.co.au)  
 Web: [www.aoi.com.au/granny](http://www.aoi.com.au/granny)

**Johima Books**  
 PO Box 4048  
 PARRAMATTA NSW 2124  
 Ph: (02) 9687 1922; Fax: (02) 9687 1027

**Landlinks Press**  
 PO Box 1139  
 COLLINGWOOD VIC 3066  
 Freecall: 1800 645 051; Ph: (03) 9662 7666  
 Fax: (03) 9662 7555

**Morescope Publishing**  
 638A Burwood Road  
 EAST HAWTHORN VIC 3123  
 Ph: (03) 9882 9922; Fax: (03) 9882 9239  
 Email: [mscope@internex.net.au](mailto:mscope@internex.net.au)

**NRE Information Centre**  
 PO Box 500  
 EAST MELBOURNE VIC 3002  
 Ph: (03) 9637 8080; Fax: (03) 9637 8150

## **Contacts through the Yellow Pages**

The following Yellow Pages headings cover the main topics for which contacts may be needed. Check the listings under the appropriate heading.

### **Chemicals/fertilisers**

Chemicals, agricultural  
 Chemical suppliers  
 Fertilisers  
 Insecticides, herbicides and fungicides  
 Lime  
 Soil conditioners and treatments

### **Consultants**

Farm and agricultural advisory services  
 Horticultural consultants

### **Economics and marketing**

Fruit and vegetable wholesalers  
 Grain and produce  
 Transport services

### **Equipment, irrigation, machinery**

Agricultural machinery  
 Engineers  
 Farm equipment and supplies  
 Instruments—scientific  
 Irrigation



# REFERENCES

## DPI information products

### Banana books and booklets

*Bananas—insect and mite management*, Pinese, B. & Piper, R. (1994), Department of Primary Industries Queensland, Brisbane.

*Bananas in the Torres Strait*, Daniells, J.W. (1997), DPI Bulletin QB97002.

*Burrowing nematode management*, Pattison, A.B., Stanton, J. & Lindsay, S.J. (1997), DPI Information Series QI97034.

*Scheduling irrigation for bananas*, Daniells, J.W. (1998), DPI Bulletin QB98001.

*Illustrated guide to the identification of banana varieties in the South Pacific*, Daniells, J.W. (1995), ACIAR Monograph No. 33.

*Guide to banana variety identification in Cape York Peninsula*, Daniells, J.W. (1995), QDPI Bulletin QB95003.

*Product Description Language—Ladyfinger Bananas*, Broadly, R., et al. (2002).

### Other books relevant to banana growing

*Diseases of fruit crops*, Persley, D.M.(ed) (1993), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

*Insect pests of fruit and vegetables*, Swaine, G., Ironside, D.A. & Corcoran, R.J. (eds) (1993), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

*Managing insects and mites in horticultural crops*, Brough, E.J., Elder, R.J. & Beavis, C.H.S. (eds) (1994), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

*Pesticide application manual* (2nd edn), Banks, A.G., Broadley, R.H., Collinge, M., & Middleton, K.

(1990), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

*Fruit and nut crops—a disease management guide*, Persley, D.M., Pegg, K.G. & Syme, J.R. (eds) (1989), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

*Water it right—irrigation using tensiometers*, Daniells, J.W., Banks, A.G. & Jamieson, G.I. (1994), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

*Forced air cooling* (2nd edn), Watkins, J.B., & Ledger, S.N. (1990), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

*Buying the farm for horticulture—site it right* (1986), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

*Horticulture: trade and investment, a marketing perspective*, Reid, S.R.M., Pullar, S.J. & Rutherford A.D. (1995), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

*Plant nematology for practical agriculturalists*, O'Brien, P.C. & Stirling, G.R. (1991), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

### Videos

*Buying the farm for horticulture—site it right* (1986), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

*Banana bunchy top virus* (1991), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane, QZ91006.

*Banana leaf diseases*, (1995), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane, QZ95001.

*How to get the most from your spray unit*, Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane, QZ93009.

*How to construct and maintain contour banks and waterways*, (1991), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane, QZ93003.

*Playing it safe with pesticides*, (1989), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane, QZ93013.

*Panama disease—the banana industry under threat*, (1991), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane, QZ91002.

*Black Sigatoka disease*, (1995), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane, QZ95002.

### CD and software packages

*Prime notes on CD-ROM*, Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

*Infopest—pest management information system* CD, Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

*Australian Rainman 2.2* (decision support computer package), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

### Information products from other sources

#### Books on general banana culture and issues

*Bananas*, Stover, R.H. & Simmonds, N.W. (1987), Longman Group Ltd, London.

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*Fertilising bananas*, Vimpany, I., Johns, J. & Atkinson, I. (1991), NSW Agriculture, Alstonville.

*Postharvest diseases of horticultural produce—Vol. 2 Tropical fruit* (1995), Department of Primary Industries, Brisbane.

*Australian horticulture*, Coombs, B. (ed) (1995), Morescope Publishing Pty Ltd, Victoria.

#### Books on diseases, pests and disorders

*Plant nutrient disorders—Tropical fruit and nut crops*, Weir, R.G. & Cresswell, G.C. (1993), Inkata Press, Melbourne.

*The good bug book*, Broadley, R.H. & Thomas, M.J. (1996), Australian Biological Control Association, Sydney.

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*Compendium of tropical fruit diseases*, Ploetz, R.C., Zentmeyer, G.A., Nishijima, W.T., Rohrbach, W.T., & Ohr, H.D., (1994), APS Press, St.Paul, USA.

#### Books on organic growing

*Organic agriculture—getting started*, Madge, D. (1995), Agmedia, Melbourne.

*Profitable organic farming*, Newton, J. (1995), Blackwell Science, Melbourne.

*Natural farming Australia*, Bock, L. (ed) (1995) Cyanco Pty Ltd, Eumundi.

*Organic farming*, Burlace, M. (1995), NSW Agriculture, Orange.

#### Workplace health and safety information

This information is available from offices the Division of Workplace Health and Safety of the Department of Training and Industrial Relations.

- Manual handling (lifting, repetitive movement, weights, team lifting, correct techniques)
- Noise
- Tractors-safe design, roll-over protection structures (rops), safe operation
- Overhead powerlines
- Agricultural bikes
- Chemical safety
- Child safety
- Skin cancer
- Heat stress

- Legislative requirements for farmers
- Welding
- Personal protective equipment
- Electrical equipment
- Machinery guarding
- First aid
- Workplace amenities.

## Articles, brochures and other items

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### Wall chart and posters

Available from:

Maroochy Research Station

Ph: (07) 5441 2211; Fax: (07) 5442 2235

- *Ladyfinger Packing Standards: Grade 1* including a copy of the *Ladyfinger Produce Specifications* notes
- Six *Ladyfinger Packing Guide* colour posters
- Ladyfinger Sizes Chart

Available through the DPI Client Service Centre, South Johnstone.

DPI Centre for Wet Tropics Agriculture

Dr Patricia Chay-Prove

PO Box 20

SOUTH JOHNSTONE QLD 4859

Ph: (07) 4064 3911; Fax: (07) 4064 2249

Posters available include:

- Banana pests
- Bunchy top
- Queensland banana quarantine areas
- Panama disease
- Yellow Sigatoka
- Banana leaf spot regulations
- Anti-resistance strategies for systemic fungicides in north Queensland bananas
- Packing guide for the B21 banana carton
- Grading for hard green bananas
- Banana rust thrips
- Nematode management and monitoring.

## Relevant legislation

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Copies of relevant legislation are available from the Government Publishing Service Bookshop listed in the Yellow Pages.

- *Plant Protection Act 1989*
- *Agricultural Chemicals Distribution and Control Act 1966 and Regulations 1970*
- *Workplace Health and Safety Act 1995 and Regulations 1997*
- *Banana Industry Protection Act 1989*

## General journals and magazines

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### *Queensland Fruit & Vegetable News*

The official journal of the Queensland Fruit and Vegetable Growers. It is posted free on request to all Queensland fruit and vegetable growers. Available from:

### Queensland Fruit and Vegetable Growers

PO Box 19

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