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**FRONT COVER**

Murphy Fresh Managing Director John Murphy (left) and Achmea Australia Risk Specialist Pete Nicholas discussing risk identification and mitigation.

Each year Murphy Fresh supply more than 1.5 million kilos of premium vine-ripened tomatoes to supermarkets, greengrocers and restaurants around Australia.



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# Future Growing






## APEX - Brinkman PCA Conference

The APEX - Brinkman PCA conference 2017 kicks off on Sunday 9 July at the Adelaide Convention Centre. Five hundred commercial hydroponic greenhouse grower delegates and exhibitors will all come together under the one roof.

The event is Protected Cropping Australia's 14<sup>th</sup> biennial conference and trade show since 1990.

### Join Other Growers Who Learn From the Best

It is an opportunity to learn technical how-to grow information across several categories;

-  **Fruit and vegetable vine crops**  
eg. tomatoes, cucumbers, capsicum, eggplant
-  **Leafy greens**  
eg. lettuce, Asian greens, herbs
-  **Berries**  
eg. strawberries, raspberries, blueberries
-  **Floriculture**  
eg. cut flowers, ornamentals, Australian natives
-  **Aquaponics**  
eg. combining hydroponic with aquaculture

Commercial growers, supply chain organisations and industry stakeholders in the fresh produce and floral industry attend, as will those who are keen to see the latest in technology and innovation, to hear from industry experts, meet leading local and global agribusinesses and network. It is the most highly anticipated social event on the industry's calendar.

The trade show exhibition will have more than 65 booths and there is a very interesting two-day speaker program to address important topics and challenges that Australian growers are currently facing.

On the last day of the conference, delegates can tour several commercial hydroponic greenhouses showcasing their production technologies.

**REGISTER NOW**  
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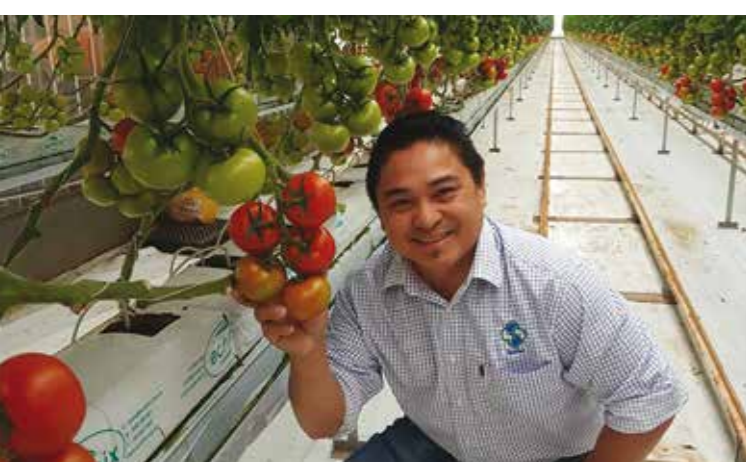


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**SEE**  
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**Speaker Highlights**



**Guest Speaker**  
**Kelly McJannett, Food Ladder**  
Sustaining impoverished communities using hydroponic greenhouses.



**Guest Speaker - Leafy Greens**  
**Mr Young Han, Enza Zaden, Korea**  
Lettuce Plant Factories focusing on high hygiene through completely closed environment with artificial lighting, temperature control, CO2 and filtered air. Focuses on high hygiene for food safety.



**Guest Speaker - IPM**  
**James Altman, Biological Services**  
Optimising IPM into the future – current strategies and challenges.



**Guest Speaker - Leafy Greens**  
**Graham Grant, Wardell Hydroponics**  
Reflection on IPM in Leafy Greens after 4 years - Growers' story



**Guest Speaker**  
**Len Tesoriero, NSW DPI**  
1) Downy Mildew Down Under  
2) Filling gaps in farm biosecurity (Gummy stem blight, bacterial canker, CGMMV, Tomato/Potato Psyllid).



**Guest Speaker**  
**Sonny Moerenhout, Grodan**  
What is sustainable greenhouse production?



**Guest Speaker - Vine Vegetables**  
**Ivan Casteels, Cultilene**  
The importance of fibre structure in substrates

**Conference Schedule**

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

TIME	SESSION
3 - 5 pm	Trade exhibition open to general public
5:15 - 6 pm	PCA AGM including elections
6 - 8 pm	Welcome reception in the trade exhibition

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

TIME	SESSION
8 am - 7 pm	Trade exhibition open
9 am - 5 pm	Official opening, plenary lecture sessions, special guest speakers
4.30 - 7 pm	Happy hour bar amongst the trade exhibition
7 .30 pm	Enza Zaden Dinner Mixer and Awards

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

TIME	SESSION
8 am - 7 pm	Trade exhibition open
9 am - 5 pm	<b>5 x Specific crop workshop streams Fruit &amp; Veg Vine Crops / Leafy Greens / Aquaponics / Cut Flowers / Berries</b>
4.30 - 7 pm	Happy Hour Bar amongst the trade exhibition

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

TIME	SESSION
8 am - 5 pm	Choice of at least three bus tours visiting several hydroponic greenhouse sites including P'Petual, DSA Fresh, Virginia Nursery and others. (*Subject to change) Provisional return times for buses to the Adelaide Convention Centre and Adelaide Airport is 5 pm

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**2 1/2 day Registration** - allows access to all sessions, trade exhibition, welcome reception, daily catering, satchel bag and Proceedings featuring all speaker talks and contact details for all exhibitors.

**One Day Registration** - allows access to all sessions, trade exhibition, satchel bag, Proceedings featuring all speaker talks and contact details for all exhibitors, as well as daily catering on the selected day.

**Your co-workers** can also attend the conference July 9-12th 2017 at your special members' rate

**Conference Banquet & Farm Tours** are additional costs for everyone. See 'Optional Extras' in the next column

**Register Now** *All prices include GST*

REGISTRATION TYPE	RATE	QTY
<b>One Day Monday or Tuesday?</b>		
Student	\$200	
PCA Full/Affiliates	\$250	
PCA Associates	\$300	
Non PCA members	\$350	
<b>2 ½ Day Conference</b>		
Student	\$350	
PCA Full & Affiliate members	<b>\$500</b>	
Group (Qty 5+ delegates p.p.)	\$500	
PCA Associate member	\$600	
Non PCA member	\$700	
<b>Optional extras for everyone</b>		
Conference Banquet	\$130	
Farm Tour	\$120	
<b>TOTAL COST \$</b>		

**YOUR DETAILS**

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_  
 First name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Preferred name on badge: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Company / Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registration type? eg PCA Member #..... \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Extra delegate names and email: (enter below)

2) Name	_____
Email	_____
Registration type	eg PCA Member #..... _____
3) Name	_____
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Special requirements eg catering \_\_\_\_\_

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