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Mini-Technical Workshops for Nut Growers

Soil Moisture Assessment and Irrigation Decision-Making

Chestnut, Walnut and Hazelnut growers are invited to attend practical mini-technical workshops focused on soil moisture assessment and irrigation decisions.

These small, orchard-based workshops will help growers better understand the active root zone, assess soil moisture in the field, and make more informed decisions about when to start irrigation.

The focus will be on simple, practical and low-cost ways to improve irrigation decisions.

Workshop topics

- How to assess soil moisture by hand-feel
- Where the active root zone is located
- How to identify the main wetted zone
- How to use tensiometers and other soil moisture tools
- How to compare instrument readings with field observations
- When to start irrigation
- Common irrigation issues (dry patches, over-watering, blocked emitters, uneven water distribution)

Workshop dates and locations

State	Region	Date	Venue	Time	Presenter / attendees
Victoria	North East Victoria	Tues 7 July 2026	88 Merriang Road, Myrtleford	1.00 to 3.00 pm	Jeremy Giddings, Ag Vic
Victoria	Gippsland / Central Victoria	Wed 8 July 2026	232 Dingley Dell Rd, Thorpdale South	1.00 to 3.00 pm	Jeremy Giddings, Ag Vic
South Australia	Clare region	Wed 22 July 2026	70B Flaxmill Road, Auburn	1.00 to 3.00 pm	Jeremy Giddings, Ag Vic
Tasmania	Northern Tasmania	Tues 4 August 2026	40 Lalla Road, Lilydale	1.00 to 3.00 pm	Marek Matuszek, AgLogic
Tasmania	Southern Tasmania	Wed 5 August 2026	321 Prossers Rd, Richmond	1.00 to 3.00 pm	Marek Matuszek, AgLogic

Who should attend?

These workshops are suitable for chestnut, walnut and hazelnut growers who want to improve practical irrigation decision-making. They will be especially useful for growers who want to better understand soil moisture, irrigation timing and the use of simple monitoring tools.

Cost and registration

There is no cost for growers to attend. Registration is required as places are limited.

This workshop is funded by the Australian Government through funding from the Natural Heritage Trust under the Climate-Smart Agriculture Program (Small Grants Round 1).



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Registration Form

Name	
Business / orchard name	
Postal address	
Phone	
Email	
Number of people attending	
Names of additional attendees	
Dietary requirements	

Industry sector

- Chestnut
- Walnut
- Hazelnut
- Other: _____

Which workshop would you like to attend?

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Do you currently irrigate your orchard?

- Yes
- No
- Partly / only in some blocks

What type of irrigation system do you use?

- Drip
- Micro-sprinkler
- Over-tree sprinkler
- Other: _____
- Not applicable

Do you currently use soil moisture monitoring tools?

- No
- Tensiometers
- Gypsum blocks
- Capacitance probe
- Soil probe / auger
- Weather station or evapotranspiration data
- Other: _____

Permission to contact you about future soil moisture, irrigation or climate adaptation activities?

- Yes
- No

What would you most like to learn from the workshop?

Return details.

Please return completed registration form to: **Guy Rischmueller** | Email: guy@risch.com.au | Mobile: 0424 557 600