## THINGS TO THINGS TO KNOW. FROM NOFF DIJUEENSLAND FARMERS' FEDERATION

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The pressures of the land are currently heightened with ongoing drought conditions across Queensland. So, reflecting on our own mental health and wellbeing and reaching out to our loved ones and friends has never been timelier. Read QFF's Queensland Country Life column regarding Queensland Mental Health Week HERE.

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QFF has partnered with <u>Ergon Energy</u> and <u>Energex</u> to offer farmers belonging to any of QFF's 20 industry members a 50 per cent co-contribution a maximum of \$500 to match the funds of installing up to 10 rotamarkers on their properties. For more information about the rebate and eligibility criteria, click <u>HERE</u>.

Calling all Ayr small and medium agribusinesses! Join QFF and <u>Jobs Queensland</u> at Atherton on Tuesday, 19 October for an <u>Agriculture Workforce Plan</u> industry consultation session. Agribusinesses are encouraged to register and have their say <u>HERE</u>.

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Join QFF and the <u>Australian Organics Recycling</u>
<u>Association</u> for compost in agriculture workshops at
Stanthorpe, Beewah and Gatton in November.
Understand the benefits and effective use of compost and mulches produced from recycled organic inputs. Details, dates and registrations <u>HERE</u>.

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The next United Nations climate change conference in Glasgow in November is an opportunity for nations to announce their emissions reduction targets for 2030 in order to reach net zero by 2050. We are increasingly agreed as a nation we should head toward net zero by 2050. What remains in question is the way we get there. More from <u>Growcom HERE</u>.

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The peak sugarcane growers' group <u>CANEGROWERS</u> welcomes an announcement of funding as the Australian sugar industry works to develop a strategy and roadmap to secure its future. More <u>HERE</u>.

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Peak body, the <u>Australian Chicken Meat Federation</u> celebrated World Chicken Day last week. Find out why chicken meat is the most frequently consumed meat product in most Australian households <u>HERE</u>.

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Small to medium businesses in North and Far North Queensland who were impacted by the 2019 Monsoon Trough can now access an additional \$2,500 in financial support to help their operations grow and also help strengthen their preparedness for future hazards. More details and apply <u>HERE</u>.

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Phase two of the national quad bike safety standard is now in place, requiring all new and imported second-hand general use quad bikes to be fitted with an operator protection device or have one integrated into their design, and to meet minimum requirements for stability. More information HERE.

An average to slightly above-average number of tropical cyclones are likely to form in the Australian region this season. With a 66 per cent chance the eastern region will see four cyclones between November to April. Read the Bureau of Meteorology's Severe Weather Outlook for 2021 to 2022 HERE.









































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