

HERE'S 10 THINGS TO KNOW.

FROM  QUEENSLAND FARMERS' FEDERATION

1.

One of Australia's biggest agricultural events is on this week- the annual Cotton Conference. Held at the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre, this year will be even more special with the event celebrating 50 years since the peak industry body was established back in 1972. Recipients across five categories of Awards for 2022 will be announced, and winners of the Young Cotton Achiever, Researcher of the Year and Service to Industry Awards for 2022 will also be unveiled. Check out the event details [HERE](#)

2.

The Moreton Bay Food & Wine Festival is back set to attract people from across the state to learn more about the fabulous produce grown in the region. For three delicious days, soak up the sunshine by Moreton Bay as you explore cooking demonstrations, seaside pop-up bars, local produce, live entertainment and fireworks on Friday and Saturday at 8pm. Check out the event details [HERE](#)

3.

Canegrowers have been instrumental in working with key stakeholders to develop a roadmap for the future of the cane industry. Sugar Plus – Fuelling the Future of Food, Energy and Fabrication, outlines a clear path for the Australian industry to secure and grow its value for future generations. The roadmap sets out a series of actions in the near, medium, and longer term, to strengthen and build the industry while charting a path to a bigger, bolder future. Learn more about the exciting vision for this incredible industry [HERE](#)

4.

QFF has welcomed the Queensland government's announcement of increased investments in Biosecurity and feral pig controls. The Palaszczuk Government has announced that they will recruit a specialised squad of trained biosecurity officers to boost the state's frontline defences against outbreaks of devastating Foot and Mouth and Lumpy Skin Diseases. Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk said Queensland and Australia are facing unprecedented biosecurity risks and the more than \$20 million package of initiatives are aimed at dealing with the threats. Read more [HERE](#)

5.

Managing Weather Risk is the topic at this month's QFF Farm Business Hour. Although the agribusiness sector faces many risks, the variability of Australian weather and climate is one of the most difficult risks to navigate. Enabling farm businesses to better manage the increasing seasonal variability is critical to their success. Book [HERE](#).

6.

QFF's Madison Sturgess will present the findings of the Microgrid Study in a renewable energy workshop at the Irrigation Australia International Conference and Exhibition in Adelaide on Thursday, 6 October 2022. Learn more [HERE](#)

7.

QFF's Celebration of Agriculture event saw 120 guests join together last week to shine a spotlight on all that is fantastic about Queensland Agriculture. Proudly sponsored by [Commercial & Government Lawyers Australia | Holding Redlich](#) and [Home - Energex](#) members from the QFF network heard from Minister's for Agriculture [Hon Murray Watt](#) and [Hon Mark Furner](#)

8.

Nursery AgChem user Workshop & Chem Certificate - this two-day workshop has been designed specifically for people working in our industry and will allow you to achieve the national units of competency, required for sprayers working in nurseries under Queensland WHS law. For more information and to book visit [AgChem](#)

9.

Growcom and Ausmarket Consultants have entered into a partnership providing Growcom Grower Members with access to monthly fruit and vegetable market price information and data. Through this partnership, Grower Members also have the opportunity to access daily market reports at a discounted rate. To find out more go to [Ausmarket Consultants – Growcom](#)

10.

Last week Minister Hon Murray Watt announced a National Biosecurity Strategy outlining key actions for Australians to ensure a stronger biosecurity system, the [Inaugural National Biosecurity Security](#).



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