

HERE'S 10 THINGS TO KNOW.

FROM  QUEENSLAND FARMERS' FEDERATION

1.

Through a strategic partnership, QFF and Mobil are engaging with members and industry to better understand how the future mobility landscape could look for Queensland agriculture. Learn more about the partnership and Mobil's offer to QFF members [here](#).

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The annual Agrifood Innovation Forum will be held on Tuesday, 18 July focused on the theme environment, social, governance (ESG) and sustainability. QFF's CEO Jo Sheppard will facilitate the governance panel alongside Michael Murray from Cotton Australia and Rachel Chambers from Queensland Fruit & Vegetable Growers, and other industry representatives. [Register here](#). Primary producers can receive [discounted tickets here](#).

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QFF's Project Manager for Energy, Andrew Chamberlain, has shared an article on the 2023-24 Federal Budget's tax relief for energy efficiency initiatives and other energy measures. Read it and other tips on energy efficiency [here](#).

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The National Farmers' Federation has released [a new certification scheme](#), aimed at helping farmers choose tools and services which protect their farm data. Join NFF on Wednesday, 28 June for a webinar to learn more [here](#).

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QFF member CANEGROWERS have launched a [new podcast series "ShedTalk"](#) to discuss topical issues of interest to growers, with the first episode discussing the current explosion in the rat population and its impact on growers in the Herbert River region.

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Carbon neutral and net zero. Do you know the difference? In [this short video](#) Dr Terry McCosker OAM, founding director of QFF corporate partner RCS Australia, succinctly breaks down these terms. If you are looking to learn more about soil carbon, RCS Australia has several upcoming workshops in July in [Taroom](#), [Roma](#) and [Miles](#).

7.

QFF member Queensland Fruit and Vegetable Growers (QFVG) has recently established two new collaborations forming part of QFVG's Farm Business Resilience Program (FBRP). Learn more about QFVG's collaborations with the [Rural Financial Counselling Service North Queensland](#) and [FNQ Food Incubator](#).

8.

Queensland farmers continue to work to improve on farm safety, with many producers utilising the free Emergency Plus app which uses your phone's GPS functionality to assist in providing precise critical location details to emergency services. [Download the app here](#).

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Queensland farmers have been recognised in the 2023 Australia Farmer of the Year Awards. Queensland horticulturalist Ray Taylor has taken out the [award for Excellence in Technology](#) and Dr. Robert Magarey from Sugar Research Australia took out the [Excellence in Ag Research Prize](#) for a discovery that may save the sugar industry roughly \$50 million annually.

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The Inaugural [Nature-Based Solutions Conference & Expo](#) is being held from 17 - 19 July at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre.



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