

HERE'S 10 THINGS TO KNOW.

FROM  QUEENSLAND FARMERS' FEDERATION

1.

A new industry-led training program is supporting Queensland farmers to access high-quality, modern and flexible training across the state. The new program, SmartAg Queensland, provides accredited, non-accredited and micro-credentialed training to the cotton, cane, horticulture, and grain industries, with a focus on delivering training in rural and regional locations. [Learn more here.](#)

2.

Canegrowers were in Canberra last week for the NFF's Leaders' Summit, along with QFF, Cotton Australia and other agricultural representatives, sharing knowledge and ideas to advance the best outcomes for Queensland's farmers and sugarcane growers. [Read more here.](#)

3.

Cotton Australia has issued a statement rejecting claims presented in the ABC's Four Corners feature on cotton in the Northern Territory which portrayed a one-sided view of the industry with a disregard for legitimate scientific research. [Read more here.](#)

4.

The National Farmers' Federation's (NFF) National Farmer Priorities Survey has recorded several troubling sentiments including a decreasing sense of confidence in the future of family run farms, despite a growing number of farmers reporting they love the work they do and the communities in which they operate. [Read more here.](#)

5.

Congratulations to Tanya Egerton, founder and CEO of Circulation and the Remote OpShop Project, who was named AgriFutures Rural Woman of the Year and Grace Larson, a Victorian rural health campaigner, who was announced as the runner-up, at the Australian Rural Woman of the Year Canberra Gala. [Read more here.](#)

6.

Mitsubishi is offering QFF members and their members a special offer. Enjoy National Fleet Pricing + a \$1,000 Total Tools Gift Card* on any 4x4 MV Triton purchase. Available until 30 September 2024. Learn more and read the terms and conditions [here.](#)

7.

The Australian Government is hosting information sessions in Queensland this week for water rights holders to find out more about the upcoming tender for water purchases including process requirements and current market price information. [Find dates and locations and register here.](#)

8.

Toowoomba and Surat Basin Enterprise (TSBE) are hosting their September Enterprise Evening on Thursday, 5 September in Toowoomba. The event's speaker will be

Cathy McGowan AO, former Member for Indi and current Chair of AgriFutures. [Read more and register here.](#)

9.

Queensland farmers and scientists are partnering up to improve the taste, size and shelf-life of strawberries. [Read more here.](#)

10.

Industry is calling for increased government support to ensure Australian horticulture remains competitive against global imports, following the rise of imported 'phantom brands' pushing local produce off supermarket shelves. [Read more here.](#)



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