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Reminder: Deadline soon for SRA tissue culture orders



The deadline for SRA tissue culture orders is on 15 November. Make sure you get your orders in for the Spring plant 2025.

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Now available SRA Annual Report 2023/24



[SRA's Annual General Meeting](#) will be held in Brisbane on Tuesday 26 November at 11am. The Notice of the AGM will be sent to members in the coming weeks.

The Annual Report for 2023/24 is now available online. Please contact us if you would like a hard copy: sra@sugarresearch.com.au

[Read the Annual Report](#)

Webinar - How the magic happens: Cross pollination and new sugarcane varieties



Many across the Australian sugarcane industry are very familiar with the end-product of SRA's efforts to breed new commercial varieties and release them to industry. However, less is known about how we actually produce new genotypes for testing in the SRA selection programs. SRA has been breeding new varieties for the Australian sugar industry for 100 years through cross pollination. **Dr Felicity Atkin** will offer a unique insight into the private life of sugarcane, and what actually happens behind the cross-pollination curtains at the Meringa station

Webinar: 2pm-3pm AEST, Friday 25 October 2024

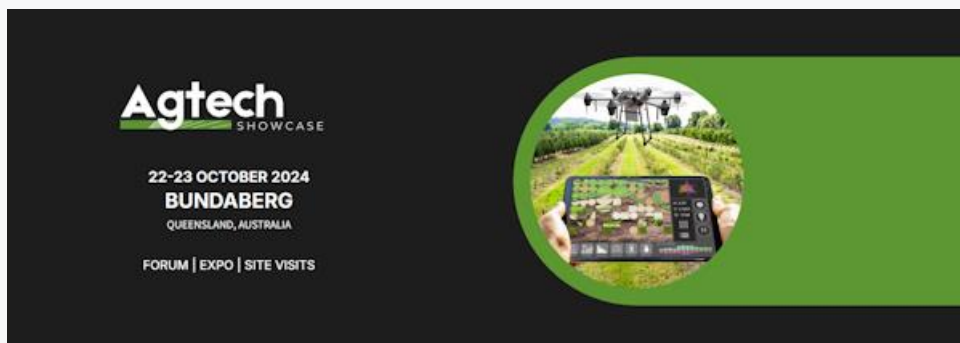
[Register for this free webinar](#)

What's happening in the paddock?



SRA Project Officer Agronomy Hector Fleury and Regional Delivery Officer Jennifer Parry were on hand recently to help Maryborough Cane Productivity Services and Isis Productivity Limited staff with work to set up an Observation Trial and Approved Seed Plots to assist growers across the region to improve their productivity and profitability.

[Read more about this project](#)



Come and visit SRA at the 2024 Agtech Showcase at the Bundaberg Multiplex Main Hall. SRA will be among trade exhibitors at the Showcase which is focused on lighting the path forward for agtech development and adoption in the regions.

In the afternoon session of Day 1 presenters in the Environmental Sustainability and Land Management session will include SRA's Project Officer Agronomy Hector Fleury from the Burnett Mary Agronomy Project

(BMAP). Hector would love to see you at the presentation and would welcome your questions.

WHEN: 22 – 23 October 2024

WHERE: Bundaberg Multiplex Sport & Convention Centre

[More information and to register](#)

Read SRA's response to the Independent Performance Review



The SRA Board-approved Response Plan to the Independent Performance Review is now available. The plan includes SRA's response to the 20 recommendations in the performance review covering key business areas including stakeholder engagement, research, collaboration, governance, and monitoring and evaluation.

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Post-emergence workshops in Proserpine and Plane Creek in November



SRA's Weed Scientist Emilie Fillols hopes to see lots of growers at the Advanced Post-Emergent Weed Management workshops to be held in Proserpine and Plane Creek in November.

Dates: 12 November - Plane Creek and 13 November - Proserpine

RSVP: 7 November, SRA District Manager Central, Dylan Wedel

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Wet Tropics Sugarcane Explorer app soon to be released



An online tool developed to assist sugarcane growers to generate farm soil maps was reviewed by sugarcane advisors from districts between Mossman and Tully who gathered in Innisfail in September for a first look. The tool was developed by GP One Consulting in collaboration with SRA and the University of Southern Queensland through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare program and is designed to complement the new *Wet Tropics Soil Reference* booklet set to be released later this year.

[Read more about the resources](#)

Growers/millers: your chance to have a say about SRA

An independent research agency, Intuitive Solutions, will call growers and millers in October to give them the opportunity to provide anonymous feedback about SRA and the research priorities for future funding. As we did last year, a summary of the feedback from the survey and our planned response will be published in *Cane Matters* and *eNews*.

[More information and results from last year](#)

First crop of Next Ratoons



SRA District Manager Central and sugarcane grower, Dylan Wedel, (*above, third from left*) was among the first crop of Next Ratoons who graduated in August this year. The development program, [Next Ratoon Mentoring Program](#), has been designed by CANEGROWERS to give young growers a pathway to leadership in the industry. A new program has just opened. (*Above*): *Class of 2024 – The Mentees and Mentors for CANEGROWERS 2024 Next Ratoon mentoring program – photo supplied by CANEGROWERS.*

Current Vacancies at SRA

- **Remote Sensing Technician**
- **Technician - Agronomy & Weed Management**

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