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Chair's Update

As I write this the Millaquin harvesting season has just ticked over 60% harvested, mill performance has been relatively good with an average of 47,223 tonnes per week processed. In saying that there is the ongoing northside / southside equity that is causing quite a fluctuation of bin allocations from day to day. CCS has been steadily increasing only being hampered by some minor rain events. With the season average Relative CCS sitting at 14.00 we have requested the Base CCS to be lifted to 13.30. This should take place during the week ending 19 October.

QSL have informed us that the Harvest Pool Price is going to be adjusted down again. With this in mind, growers need to be aware that there could be reduced or negative pay looming due to being overpaid at current prices. We have been keeping a close watch of this situation and have been in regular contact with QSL staff. The Schedule included on page 2 will likely be updated next week and if you would like an updated copy, please contact the office.

Planting has been in full swing but is nearing being finished, with that the fertilising season is in full swing and we remind growers of the obligations of reef regulations to make sure they have their N & P Budgets sorted as there is a high probability of being audited in the future. Matt has been kept extremely busy analysing soil tests and processing nutrient management plans and is available to assist members.

Sunwater have advised that there is the possibility of another out of allocation event next water year to lower Paradise Dam to undertake some preliminary works on water release infrastructure. If this occurs it will also affect next year's water allocations. We participate in Paradise Dam Reference Group meetings and will keep growers informed as the rebuild project progresses.

There have been some wires crossed with DNR around groundwater meter validation, or lack of. If any grower receives a please explain demand letter from the Department, please act on it as there are some fairly hefty penalties. If you require assistance, please call the office.

Oreco and Collins Hay are in the district chasing trash. If you would like further information or contact details please call the office.

Following our requests we are pleased that Sunwater has agreed to continue the electricity cost pass through trial for the 2024/25 year confirming a return to customers of \$15.50/ML. To date the outcomes of the trial saw the following overcollection from electricity allowances returned to Bundaberg Scheme Irrigators:

- 2020/2021 - \$14.88/ML resulting in \$1,913,400 returned by credits across the scheme.
- 2021/2022 - \$13.26/ML resulting in \$695,200 returned by credits across the scheme.
- 2022/2023 - \$12.29/ML resulting in \$732,200 returned by credits across the scheme.
- 2023/2024 - \$15.46 resulting in \$1,310,925 returned by credits across the scheme.
- 2024/2025 - \$15.50/ML resulting in \$1,247,520 returned by credits across the scheme.

Bundaberg CANEGROWERS Limited and Bundaberg Sugar Services Limited AGMs will be held at The Young Aussie on Wednesday 22 October. Owen Menkens, Chairman of Qld CANEGROWERS will provide an update on current sugar industry matters following the AGMs.

Let's hope the weather holds and we can get the season wrapped up in the quickest possible time. Current predictions of crop left have the finish date set around 14 December, weather permitting.

Mark Pressler
Chairman



Cane thrash wanted
for baling
Good royalties paid
and regular payments
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2025 Season Indicative Advances Program

Based on QSL reports 22 August 2025

Applicable From	Uncommitted Pool Advance (AUD/tonne IPS)		QSL Standard Advance Rate
Payment Date	Payment Change	To	
Initial	\$0	\$403	65.0%
18 Jun 25	\$-33	\$370	65.0%
16 Jul 25	\$0	\$370	65.0%
20 Aug 25	\$0	\$370	65.0%
17 Sep 25	\$0	\$370	65.0%
15 Oct 25	\$35	\$405	70.0%
19 Nov 25	\$15	\$420	72.50%
17 Dec 25	\$28	\$448	77.50%
21 Jan 26	\$15	\$463	80.0%
18 Feb 26	\$14	\$477	85.0%
18 Mar 26	\$29	\$506	87.50%
15 Apr 26	\$15	\$521	90.0%
20 May 26	\$14	\$535	92.50%
17 Jun 26	\$29	\$564	97.50%
By 31 July 26	\$15	\$579	100.0%

Notes:

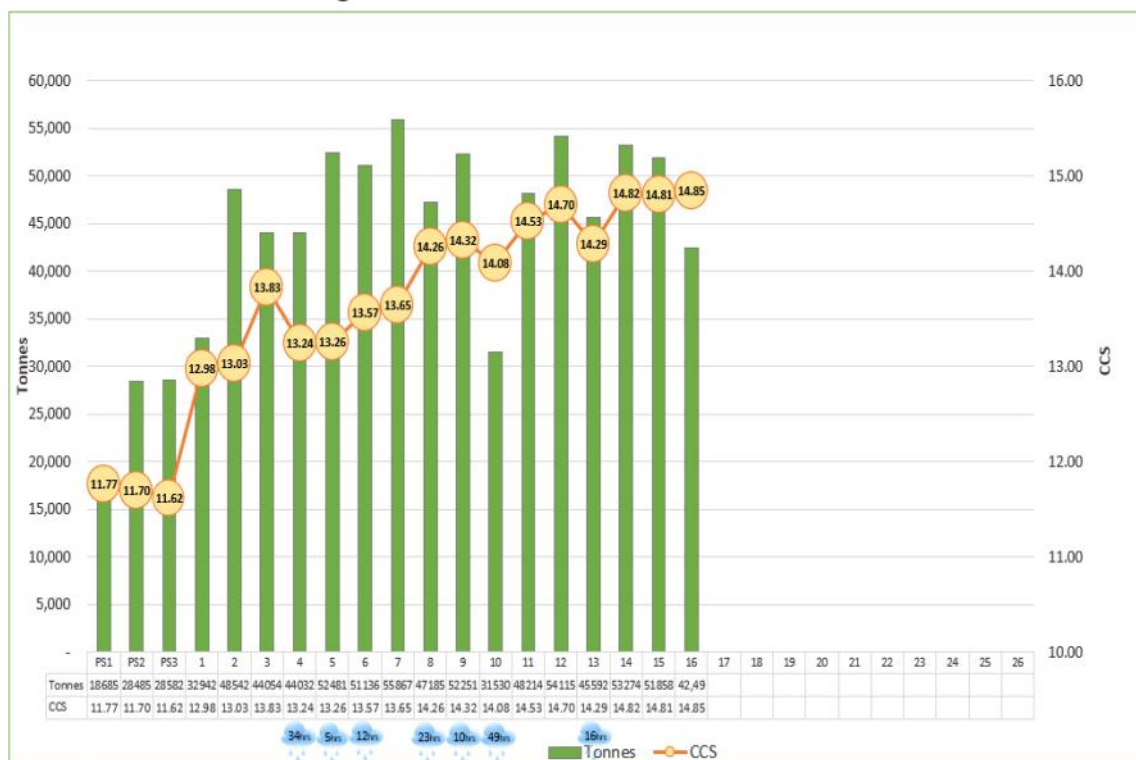
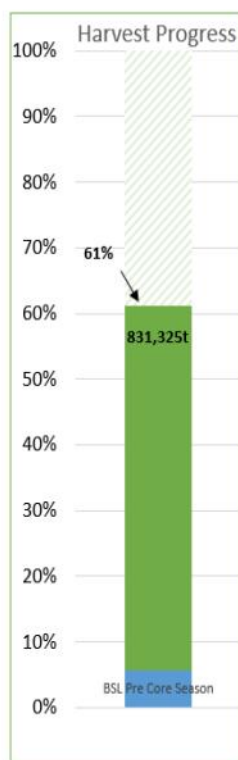
Under QSL's Advances program, supplying growers and millers are paid a proportional amount of their current estimated final sugar pricing result. The program is indicative only and may change during the course of the season, and so should not be taken as a commitment by QSL with regard to either the Advance rate or date of increase. The QSL Board reviews the program periodically to determine whether scheduled increases should be approved or amended, weighing factors such as movements in the marketing and shipping plans, sugar price and currency movements and the timing of cash flows. Suppliers' positions in relation to any pricing elections may also impact the timing and size of Advance payments. Based on indicative pool values, with a estimated combined QSL Harvest and US Quota pool value of \$579/t IPS as of 22 August 2025.

Note: The 'Applicable From' payment dates listed below may differ from your own payment dates due to your local milling arrangements and bank processing times.

This figure is an estimate only for the default QSL pricing position of 98% Harvest Pool + 2% US Quota Pool based on pool values as at the date specified. Please note that the pool values used to calculate the default payment will change as the season progresses. The default payment figure incorporates a weighted average Shared Pool allocation, with the Shared Pool allocation applied to grower payments varying in each region due to regional costs (regional Shared Pool details are available at www.qsl.com.au). The estimated payment figure quoted also does not include any applicable Loyalty Bonus, GST, allowances, deductions or any other adjustments incurred by the grower or passed on by their miller.

Accelerated Advances
Accelerated Advances Program participants receive 90% of their eligible products' indicative value by December each year. Under this scheme, Advance rates paid for tonnages in these products remain at 90% from each season, reverting to the QSL Standard Advance Rate from the subsequent May payment.

Crushing Statistics – 2025 Season



No Use Spray Windows about to begin

There are a series of products that have no use spray windows due to an apparent higher risk period of the applied chemicals moving from the paddock to waterways following rainfall or irrigation. Below is a list of the more common chemicals used in the sugar industry that have a no use period and the timing of the no use window.

2,4-D Amine

The timing of the no spray window depends on the actual product used so growers will need to check the label for the exact information.

For the 625-gram active ingredient products (g ai) for rates below 1.2L/ha there are no restrictions regarding the time of use. For rates between 1.2 and 1.8L/ha on bare ground there is a no spray window for October and November, while when applied to a trash blanket the no spray window is October only. When used at higher rates there are additional no spray windows.

When using DropZone, a 500 g ai product, rates below 1.56 L/ha there are no restrictions regarding time of use. For rates between 1.56 L/ha and 2.1 L/ha on bare ground, there is a no spray window for October and November,

while when applied to a trash blanket the no spray window is October only.

Amicide Advance which is a 700 g ai product, has no spray window when used at rates below 1.1 L/ha. For rates between 1.1 and 1.6 L/ha on bare ground there is a no spray window for October and November, while when applied to a trash blanket the no spray window is October only. When used at higher rates there are additional no spray windows.

Amitron

There is a no spray window for Amitron for October, November and December.

Diuron Products

For the standard 900 g ai diuron products there are differences in no spray windows based on the rate applied. For “spike” rates up to 500 g ai there are no restrictions on when to spray and the whole paddock can be sprayed. For rates between 500 g ai and 1.9 Kg ai there is a no spray window between 1 November and 29 January when applied at a directed spray targeting 60% of the paddock area. There does not seem to be a registered use for applying diuron to the whole paddock anymore.

Diuron at 468 g ai + Hexazinone 132 g ai products also have differing spray windows based on the rate applied and the area sprayed. When applied broadcast over the whole paddock at 4 kg/ha the no spray window is from 1 November through to the following 31 May. When applied as a banded spray covering 60% of the paddock at rates between 3-4kg/ha the no spray window is reduced to 1 November to 29 February.

To be certain that growers are complying with these and other restrictions they are encouraged to read all of the label including critical comments, the rates for use and information including withholding periods.

In addition to all of the no spray windows for each of the products there are buffer zones in place for these and many other pesticides. These are areas where no spraying is allowed next to a waterway or neighbour to minimize the chance of drift impacting others.

There may be restrictions based on forecast rainfall and since the label is a legal document growers must comply with the conditions on the label. ■

Record Keeping shortcuts - Work Smarter not Harder!

Spray records can be completed faster by utilising available forms in the front pages of the CANEGROWERS Farm Chemicals Record Book. Taking a bit of time to prepare these books will save time when making day-to-day records.

At the front of the record books there is generally a section to record multiple Tank Mixes that growers commonly use.

These Tank Mixes include the products used and their rates per hectare. Growers can take advantage of these by filling them in (See fig.1) and then just refer to the appropriate Mix on the record sheet. This saves having to list all the products and rates for these tank mixes each time

growers spray. Just remember though, if growers have purchased and plan to use a different brand or concentration or product in that mix, then the mix will need to be updated with those changes.

Note that there are other sections at the front of the book that could also be completed including nozzle and equipment details (See Fig. 2).

Once these details are filled in at the front of the book, growers simply list the appropriate Tank mix and Nozzle into your Chemical Application Record sheet in place of filling in all the product details over time (e.g. Mix 1 and Rig A).

Other details required such as weather conditions, location of application, crop situation etc, still need to be recorded on the Chemical Application Record Sheet.

If growers don't have a copy of the spray record book, then visit the CANEGROWERS office today to receive a free copy.

For further information on agricultural chemical use, contact your local Department of Primary Industries office on 13 25 23, or search for “agricultural chemical records” at business.qld.gov.au. ■

Figure 1: Tank Mixes example

Figure 2: Rig Set up and Nozzle Record example

Use of Chlorpyrifos no longer allowed

From 30 September 2025 the use of products containing Chlorpyrifos such as Lorsban will be banned therefore it cannot be used for any reason. This is the end point of the ban on the sale of Chlorpyrifos that occurred last year due to safety concerns when using the product.

If any grower has any unused Chlorpyrifos product in its original container, it can be disposed for free by contacting ChemClear on <https://www.agsafe.org.au/cc-register-chemicals> or by calling 1800 008 182.

If there are any other unwanted

chemicals on farm ChemClear can be used to dispose of them as well, however there may be a cost depending on the type of product and the state of the container. ■

Transport Regulations during the Christmas Period

While most growers have heard of the Christmas and Easter Restrictions about moving wide loads between Christmas and New Year, they may not have thought how this impacts them directly. When reading the National Class 1

Agricultural Vehicle and Combination Mass and Dimension Exemption Notice Operator's Guide, there are some specific directions about movement of **vehicles over 2.5m wide during the Christmas/New Year period.**

During the Christmas/New Year period, agricultural vehicles or combinations must be accompanied by at least one pilot (ag pilot) vehicle extra to the normal travel requirements. The holiday periods are listed in the below table:

Holiday	Period of restricted travel
Christmas and New Year's* - If no pilot or escort is required or if no more than one pilot or escort is required	Midnight 23/24 December (though practically sunset 23 December for excess dimension vehicles that are not able to travel on roads at night due to width) to midnight 2/3 January
Christmas and New Year's* - If more than one pilot or escort is required	Midnight 18/19 December to midnight 3/4 January
* When Christmas day falls on a Sunday or Monday the Christmas and New Year's holiday period will commence earlier from midday on the Friday prior to Christmas day	
* When 1 January prior falls on a Friday, the Christmas and New Year's holiday will finish later and is extended to 11:59pm on 3 January that year (effectively can start moving on 4 January)	

The travel restrictions during the Christmas/New Year period means there is no movement through critical areas (Bundaberg City), critical roads (Port Road, Bargara Road, Elliott Heads Road, Innes Park Road, Goodwood Road, Isis Highway, Bundaberg Gin Gin Road and Moore Park Road) and major roads (Rosedale Road and Cedar Crossing connecting roads) **from midday Wednesday 24 December to sunrise Friday 2 January**, though this is extended based upon the number of

pilot (ag pilot) or escort vehicles required to move the machinery normally as listed in the table.

Movement around the council road network (roads other than listed earlier) during this time is permitted provided the oversize agricultural vehicle or combination is being accompanied by at least one agricultural pilot above the minimum requirements of this guideline.

If growers need to move tractors, machinery or equipment wider than 2.5m on critical and major roads during these periods, permits from NHVR are required.

As part of that application for a permit a traffic management plan is required and Matt Leighton can assist growers in completing the traffic management plan. ■

Heatstroke Awareness

Heatstroke is a deadly emergency and farmworkers are highly vulnerable due to the nature of their work. Heatwaves intensify this risk. Awareness of heatstroke signs is vital for immediate help and even milder heat stress reduces productivity and increases accident risks when operating machinery.

Knowing about upcoming heatwaves allows for proactive safety measures such as adjusted schedules, more breaks, and better hydration.

In Queensland, under the Work Health and Safety (WHS) Act 2011, both

employers and workers have responsibilities to manage heat stress in the workplace.

Employers must ensure, as far as reasonably practicable, that workers can perform their work without risk to their health and safety. This includes identifying hazards, assessing and controlling risks, and providing first aid for heat-related illnesses.

Workers also have a duty to take reasonable care of their own health and safety, including following the employer's instructions and wearing

appropriate protective equipment.

As a result, Queensland Health have designed posters for you to display in your workplace.

The posters can be found at <https://www.qld.gov.au/healthstayinghealthy/environmental/heatsafe/heat-related-illness#heatstroke> and have been included over the page for you to display at your workplace. ■

Queensland Health

Know the signs of Heatstroke

Heatstroke is when your body cannot cool down.



You might:



Feel
confused



Struggle
to talk



Breathe
fast



Have a fast
heartbeat

If you feel unwell in the heat:



Take
a break



Find
shade



Drink
water



Cool down
with a shower



If still feeling unwell, call Triple Zero (000)!

Heatstroke is serious.

Seek medical help straightaway or call **Triple Zero (000)**.
You can ask for an interpreter for free.



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Protect yourself

Extreme hot weather can be dangerous

You should:



Drink water

Every 15–20 minutes while working.



Check urine colour

It should be pale or light yellow.



Wear sun protection

Light clothing, hat, SPF 30+ sunscreen, sunglasses.



Rest and cool down

Take breaks under shade and cool off with wet towels or a shower.



Work in cooler hours

If possible, work in early morning or late afternoon.



Keep medicine and food safe

Store in a cool, dry place, away from sunlight.



If feeling unwell in the heat, cool down immediately!

Heatstroke is when your body cannot cool down. This is serious.

Seek medical help straightaway or call **Triple Zero (000)**.

You can ask for an interpreter for free.



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Employees vs independent contractors

To work out if your worker is an employee or independent contractor, you need to determine whether your worker is serving in your business. You do this by reviewing the legal rights and obligations in the contract you entered into with your worker. Contracts are usually written but may also be wholly oral or a hybrid of any combination of written terms, oral terms and terms implied from conduct. Your contract may also be varied based on you or your worker's conduct. Any label which you and the worker use in your contract to describe your relationship (such as 'independent contractor') will not determine or be relevant to how your relationship is characterised.

Classifying your worker

You are responsible for classifying your worker for tax and super purposes and you need to get it right. If you make an incorrect decision, you may face penalties. To check if your worker is an employee or independent contractor, you need to review the whole working arrangement.

Serving in your business

The critical differences between an employee and independent contractor are:

- an employee serves in your business, and performs their work as a representative of your business.
- an independent contractor provides services to your business and performs work to further their own business.

Superannuation obligations still may apply to certain independent contractors

In certain circumstances, you must pay superannuation for independent contractors who are deemed to be employees for superannuation purposes.

These circumstances include if the worker:

- works under a contract that is wholly or principally for their labour
- performs work that is wholly or principally of a domestic nature for more than 30 hours per week

Some workers are always employees

The following workers are **always** treated as employees:

- Apprentices
- Trainees
- Labourers
- Trades assistants

Apprentices and trainees do both work and recognised training to get a qualification, certificate or diploma. In most cases they are paid under an award and receive specific pay and conditions. You must meet the same tax and super obligations as you do for any other employees.

Employee or independent contractor traits

The following table outlines each indicium and some features that may point towards or against a finding of employment.

No single indicium is determinative and they should not be applied as if they are a checklist. Analysis of the indicia must be done by reference only to the legal rights and obligations that arise from the contract you enter into with your worker. Conduct and work practices are not relevant, unless they are, among other things, sufficient to vary the contractual terms agreed to. ■

Table: Employee and independent contractor indicium and traits.

Employee	Independent Contractor
Control: your business has the legal right to control how, where and when the worker does their work.	Control: the worker can choose how, where and when their work is done, subject to reasonable direction by you.
Integration: the worker serves in your business. They are contractually required to perform work as a representative of your business.	Integration: the worker provides services to your business. The worker performs work to further their own business.
Mode of remuneration: the worker is paid either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For the time worked • A price per item or activity • A commission 	Mode of remuneration: the worker is generally contracted to achieve a specific result, and is paid when they have completed that result, often for a fixed fee.
Ability to subcontract or delegate: there is no clause in the contract allowing the worker to delegate or subcontract their work to others. The worker must perform the work themselves and cannot pay someone else to do the work for them.	Ability to subcontract or delegate: there is a clause in the contract allowing the worker the right to delegate or subcontract their work to others. The clause must not be a sham and must be legally capable of exercise.
Provision of tools and equipment: your business: provides all or most of the equipment, tools and other assets required to complete the work; or the worker provides all or most of the tools, but your business provides them with an allowance or reimburses them for expenses incurred.	Provision of tools and equipment: the worker provides all or most of the equipment, tools and other assets required to complete the work, and you do not give them an allowance or reimbursement for the expenses incurred. The work involves the use of a substantial item that your worker is wholly responsible for.
Risk: the worker bears little or no risk. Your business bears the commercial risk of any costs arising out of injury or defect in their work.	Risk: the worker bears the commercial risk for any costs arising out of injury or defect in their work.
Generation of goodwill: your business benefits from any goodwill arising from the work of the worker.	Generation of goodwill: the worker's business benefits from any goodwill generated from their work, not your business.

Cyber-Safety Guides for your Farm Business

With increasing numbers of cyber-attacks and data breaches, there is much value in making use of free resources to consider your own vulnerabilities to any cyber-attacks.

The Federal Government's *Australian Signals Directorate and Australian Cyber Security Centre* (ASD ACSC) which monitors and assists with response to such attacks advises that securing your devices and accounts can reduce the impact of having your information leaked or stolen.

The ASD ACSC'S *personal cyber security guides* are a great place to start. If you use the same password or passphrase for multiple accounts, data breaches could have a bigger impact on you.

If your password or passphrase is ever leaked or stolen, all accounts that share that password or passphrase will be vulnerable. You can avoid this by using strong unique passphrases. It can be easier to keep track of strong unique passphrases with a password manager.

You can also limit the impact of data breaches by limiting the amount of personal information you share online, especially on social media. The website also offers how to guides specifically for Apple, Google and Microsoft platforms, and tailored guides and courses for small businesses. **Use the QR here to take a look.** ■



Bundaberg Sugar Services Limited Annual General Meeting

The Bundaberg Sugar Services Limited Annual General Meeting will be held on 22 October 2025.

Under the BSSL constitution one (1) Grower Elected Director must retire at each Annual General Meeting. To be a Grower Elected Director you must be a member of the company or representative of a corporate member, at

least 18 years old, a grower, and a supplier to the Millaquin Mill.

To be eligible for election as a Grower Elected Director the person or some member intending to nominate the person must give notice in writing signed by the nominee giving consent to the nomination.

To be valid the notice must be received at our registered office by close of business Monday, 20 October 2025.

Anyone interested in nominating is requested to contact Company Secretary Tanya Howard on 4151 2555 for further information and a nomination kit. ■

Training Opportunities

The SmartAg Queensland project continues to go from strength to strength having delivered training to more than 1000 farmers across Queensland since June 2024. QFF, alongside peak body members and delivery partners Cotton Australia, CANEGROWERS and Queensland Fruit & Vegetable Growers, have delivered priority training to the cotton, cane and horticulture sectors across Queensland. ■



Course	Date	Subsidy
Forklift Training (Strategix)	11 November 25 November 9 December	25%
Forklift Training (ASTA-Formal Course Work)	23 October 24 November 11 December	25%
Work Safely at Heights (ASTA)	15 October 20 November 18 December	25%
First Aid (ASTA)	10 October 21 October 10 November 25 November 10 December	50%
Pilot/Escort Training	TBA	25%
Chemical Safety Training	15 December	25%
Truck Training and Licensing	Contact Bundaberg CANEGROWERS	75% off MR, HR, HC 50% off MC
Remote Pilot License Training	Contact Bundaberg CANEGROWERS	25%

If you or your employees are interested in undertaking any of the training listed above, please contact the office on 4151 2555 or by email to bdb_office@bdbcanegrowers.com.au with participant details including full name, address, date of birth, phone number, email address and invoicing details. These details will be passed on to the relevant training organisation to ensure you receive the subsidy upon enrolment. ■



Representation on Your Behalf

The Chairman, Elected Members and Staff of Bundaberg CANEGROWERS represented cane growers on a number of occasions. Executive members also attended many Branch meetings and other engagements in their own time.

DATE	MEETING	PURPOSE	FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
18.08.25	QCGO Monthly District Managers Meeting	To represent members	Tanya Howard
22.08.25	Avalo	To discuss opportunities	Tanya Howard Matthew Leighton
26.08.25	Bundaberg Ag-Food and Fibre Alliance	To receive updates	Tanya Howard Dale Holliss
28.08.25	Bundaberg and Burnett Area Fire Management Group	To represent members	Matthew Leighton
01.09.25	Prosper 2050 Wide Bay Burnett Action Plan - Industry Actions	To represent members	Tanya Howard
04.09.25	SRA Monthly Update	To receive updates	Tanya Howard
08.08.25	QFF Water and Energy Pricing Committee	To receive updates	Tanya Howard Dale Holliss
10.09.25	Sunwater Customer Advisory Committee	To represent irrigators	Tanya Howard Dale Holliss
11.09.25	Burnett Mary Regional Group Precision Irrigation - Sugarcane	To receive updates	Tanya Howard Matthew Leighton
12.09.25	Sunwater Paradise Dam Reference Group	To represent irrigators	Tanya Howard
15.09.25	Regional Business HQ	To represent members	Tanya Howard

CLASSIFIED & JOB ADVERTISEMENTS

As a free service to financial members, small suitable classified & employment advertisements of up to thirty (30) words only will be printed.

Advertisements will be accepted from non-members, charged at \$11 per seven (7) word line or part thereof.

Contact

Bundaberg CANEGROWERS Office on telephone no. 4151 2555 or email bdb_office@bdbcanegrowers.com.au.

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Temporary Transfer

200ML Sunwater allocation, price negotiable. Phone 0428 576 818.

Feral Pig Action Plan

CANEGROWERS recently joined other industry bodies and the Department of Primary Industries at a workshop to help develop the new Queensland Feral Pig Action Plan.

The plan will guide future government investment into feral pig management,

ensuring funds support projects that use proven best-practice methods.

It also proposes the establishment of a Code of Practice and a permanent role for Regional Feral Pig Coordinators to oversee and align management activities across local government areas. ■



Call for Historic Photos

As CANEGROWERS prepares to celebrate its centenary in 2026, we are on the lookout for historic photos that help capture 100 years of cane farming history.

If you have some treasured historic photos in your personal collection and you are willing to share them with us, please call into our office and we will scan them while you wait.

The collection will form part of a centenary showcase honouring the people and stories behind the sugarcane industry.

We want to ensure that the industry's history is preserved and celebrated for generations to come and your photos could help tell the story of a century of cane farming! ■



Punting cane across the Burnett below the Bingera Weir from Tyson's farm. Cane pictured is early variety Rapoe. (1907)

Coastal Burnett Groundwater Non Compliance Leads to Fine

Coastal Burnett Groundwater users need to ensure compliance when it comes to meter readings and validating their meter.

The meter validation process began with Area A and was supposed to be complete by November 2023 with Area B growers needing to be compliant by November 2024. Extensions were granted to those who were in contact with the Department of Water and the meter validators, Sunfam and J & R McCracken.

A recent announcement by the Department indicates that a local Coastal Groundwater user who had not completed the meter validation process had used water.

Under the current legislation this is deemed as water theft as the meter was not approved as compliant. The water user in question, if found guilty of this breach may face fines up to \$3,096 for an individual and up to \$15,480 for corporations.

As well as ensuring that the meters are compliant, growers also need to submit their meter readings on time. Failure to do so can lead to audits and compliance checks by Departmental staff.

If any Groundwater users are having issues submitting their meter readings, they should contact the Department or Bundaberg CANEGROWERS to see where we can help. ■



QSL Grower Update

Growers are invited to join QSL CEO and Managing Director, Mark Hampson, Manager Grower Services, Russell Campbell and Assistant Manager Trading and Risk, Elliot Apel for an information and market update on **Thursday, 9 October at 5:30pm, at**

the Young Aussie Hotel, 59 Perry street, Bundaberg North.

Come along to hear about:

- QSL'S New payment initiative FlexPay, coming in 2026
- Factors driving movement of the

ICE 11 and the AUD

- Global sugar production forecasts for major sugar production
- A business update

For catering purposes please RSVP by contacting Glenn Harris on 0409 601 349. ■

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