



Keep up to date with the latest events and opportunities through this **dedicated events edition**. Receive timely updates on what's happening in the sustainable agriculture space each month.

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## Featured Events

### Event Name

Grazing Business  
Resilience Workshop |  
Toogoolawah

### Location

Toogoolawah Golf Club,  
Annette  
Street, Toogoolawah QLD  
4313

### Day, Date

Tuesday 13 May 2025

### Time

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

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This free event will cover practical solutions for your grazing business, and drought assistance and support will also be available.

### Topics will include:

- Developing a Farm Business Resilience Plan.
- Apply for drought assistance grants and loans.
- Grants and loans currently available through QRIDA.
- Rural Financial Counselling Service assistance.
- Dry season nutrition management.

Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

**For questions, contact Vanessa Smolders on [vanessa.s@hlw.org.au](mailto:vanessa.s@hlw.org.au).**

*This project is being supported by the Queensland Department of Primary Industries, through the Queensland and Australian Government's Farm Business Resilience Program and by Healthy Land & Water through the Australian Government's Climate Smart Agriculture Program under the Natural Heritage Trust.*

**Register here <https://hlw.org.au/portfolio/grazing-business-resilience-toogoolawah>**

**Event Name**

Grazing Business  
Resilience Workshop |  
Boonah

**Location**

Boonah Cultural  
Centre, 3 High St, Boonah  
QLD 4310

**Day, Date**

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**Time**

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

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## Ex-Tropical Cyclone Alfred assistance available

**Disaster Assistance Recovery Grants are available to assist directly impacted primary producers, small businesses and non-profit organisations with the costs of clean-up and reinstatement.**

Financial recovery assistance including \$25,000 grants are now available for eligible primary producers impacted by Ex-Tropical Cyclone Alfred 2025. These grants can be used to assist producers with on-property recovery costs. For more information and to check eligibility, please visit QRIDA or call 1800 623 946.

Financial counselling and mental health support is available from the Rural Financial Counselling Service. Call 07 4622 5500.

*Disaster recovery assistance is jointly funded by the Australian and Queensland Governments' Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA).*

**Find out more about financial recovery assistance**

**<https://www.qrida.qld.gov.au/program/exceptional-disaster-assistance-recovery-grants-tropical-cyclone-alfred-and-associated#producer-tab>**

**Visit QRIDA's website to check eligibility <https://www.qrida.qld.gov.au/primary-producers>**



## Upcoming Events

### Event Name

How To Plan A Burn |  
Cooran

### Location

Wirruna Drive Bushland  
Reserve, Wirruna Drive,  
Cooran QLD 4569

### Day, Date

Saturday 10 May 2025

### Time

8:00 am - 12:30 pm

**This practical workshop has been designed as the next step in property fire management planning: How To Plan A Burn.**

The event is intended for landholders who are interested in taking steps to use fire as a management tool on their property, whether they have already developed a property fire management plan or not.

Attendees will be taken through:

- The decision-making process required to determine an appropriate burn area.
- Understanding regulations and permits.
- On-ground preparation required.
- The impacts of weather, slope and vegetation (including weeds).
- Fuel hazard assessment techniques.
- Ignition techniques.
- Essential safety protocols and landholder responsibility.

Catering and supporting materials will be provided for all participants. This is a **FREE** workshop.

Please note, after this Healthy Land & Water-hosted workshop concludes at 12:30 pm, Noosa Council will be conducting a demonstration cool burn from approximately 12:30 pm - 5:00 pm at the same location. This demonstration will be under Noosa Council's direction and control.

If you would like to attend this additional session, please register by ticking the check box on checkout.

**For more information, contact Hannah Etchells from the Queensland Fire & Biodiversity Consortium on [hannah.e@hlw.org.au](mailto:hannah.e@hlw.org.au) or 0447 189 765.**

*This event is being delivered in partnership with the Noosa Council and supported by Healthy Land & Water's Queensland Fire & Biodiversity Consortium.*

**Register here <https://hlw.org.au/portfolio/how-to-plan-a-burn-cooran>**



**Event Name**

How To Plan A Burn |  
Crossdale

**Location**

Crossdale - Workshop  
address will be shared  
with attendees closer to  
the day

**Day, Date**

Saturday 17 May 2025

**Time**

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

**This practical workshop has been designed as the next step in  
property fire management planning: How To Plan A Burn.**

The event is intended for landholders who are interested in taking steps to use fire as a management tool on their property, whether they have already developed a property fire management plan or not. This workshop is an interactive, outdoor walk-and-talk where we will demonstrate the concepts and build your understanding while looking at how it all fits together in the bush.

Attendees will be taken through:

- The decision-making process required to determine an appropriate burn area.
- Understanding regulations and permits.
- On-ground preparation required.
- The impacts of weather, slope and vegetation (including weeds).
- Fuel hazard assessment techniques.
- Ignition techniques.
- Essential safety protocols and landholder responsibility.

\* Please note - we will be assessing the site together but will NOT be undertaking any burning on the workshop day.

Catering and supporting materials will be provided for all participants. This is a FREE workshop.

**For more information, contact Hannah Etchells from the  
Queensland Fire & Biodiversity Consortium  
on [hannah.e@hlw.org.au](mailto:hannah.e@hlw.org.au) or 0447 189 765.**

*This event is funded by Queensland Government's Natural Resources Recovery Program, supported by Somerset Regional Council and delivered by Healthy Land & Water's Queensland Fire & Biodiversity Consortium.*

**Register here <https://hlw.org.au/portfolio/how-to-plan-a-burn-crossdale>**



**Event Name**

Preparing for Fire:  
Understanding Planned  
Burns | Cecil Plains

**Location**

Cecil Plains Memorial  
Hall, 41 Geraghty St, Cecil  
Plains QLD 4407

**Day, Date**

Saturday 7 June 2025

**Time**

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

**Residents in the Cecil Plains areas are invited to join us for a free half-day workshop - Preparing for Fire.**

This session delivered by Healthy Land & Water's Queensland Fire & Biodiversity Consortium, will discuss the ins and outs of planned burns and fire ecology.

This half-day session includes:

- An in-classroom general bushfire safety and preparedness discussion.
- An interactive bushwalk at a site that is scheduled to undertake planned burns, by Toowoomba Regional Council.
- A fuels estimation exercise and group discussion about burn objectives, burn plans, safety and regulations.

Walk away from the workshop with the ability to:

- Identify vegetation types and key habitat.
- Understand fuel loads.
- Recognise fire history.
- Monitor vegetation and wildlife.
- Follow regulations for your area.
- Understand how and why land managers plan burns.

For those managing vegetation on their properties, get practical advice from experienced fire experts on how to plan a burn.

**For more information, contact Hannah Etchells from Healthy Land & Water's Queensland Fire & Biodiversity Consortium on [hannah.e@hlw.org.au](mailto:hannah.e@hlw.org.au) or 0447 189 765.**

*The event is being delivered in partnership with Toowoomba Regional Council and supported by the Queensland Fire & Biodiversity Consortium.*

**Register here <https://hlw.org.au/portfolio/preparing-for-fire-cecil-plains>**

**Event Name**

Bushfire Information  
Session | Kandanga

**Location**

Kandanga Hall, Firth  
Park, 81 Main St,  
Kandanga QLD 4570

**Day, Date**

Saturday 14 June 2025

**Time**

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

**Join us for a great fire preparedness session for residents in Kandanga and surrounds.**

This session offers practical advice and insights from local experts about the vital role of fire in our landscape and how you can reduce fuel loads and mitigate bushfire risks.

Learn about:

- Fire ecology, ecological burning, and hazard reduction from experienced fire ecologists.
- A comprehensive Rural Fire Service presentation on "Prepare, Act, Survive" and an overview of the new Australian Fire Danger Rating System.
- Practical steps you can take as a property owner.



By the end of this session, you will:

- Gain a deeper understanding of fire ecology.
- Learn practical steps for better fuel management to support ecological outcomes and minimise risks to your property.
- Connect with fellow Land for Wildlife property owners.
- Get a greater understanding of the importance of planned burning

**For any questions, please contact Hannah at Queensland Fire & Biodiversity Consortium (QFBC) at [hannah.e@hlw.org.au](mailto:hannah.e@hlw.org.au) or 0447 189 765.**

*The event is being delivered in partnership with Gympie Regional Council by the Queensland Fire & Biodiversity Consortium.*

**Register here <https://hlw.org.au/portfolio/bushfire-information-session-kandanga>**

**Event Name**

Risky Business

**Location**

Online via Zoom

**Day, Date**

Session 1: 29 April 2025

Session 2: 6 May 2025

Session 2: 13 May 2025

**Time**

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

**Risky Business - Risk management 101**

**Let's be real. Even though farming is who we are and what we do, there's no doubt it's a risky business to be in.**

If your farm could talk what would it say about risk? From the weather, to production risks, finances, family succession, workplace health and safety, and staff – a potential risk is always just around the corner. But what if there was a way to lower this risk? With the mindset to expect the unexpected, we can respond and pivot faster to anything life throws at us, building a stronger business along the way.

Join Rebecca Fing, from House Paddock Consulting for this three-part short course where she will guide you in a practical, down to earth way on how you might go about identifying your specific business risks and developing your plan B, C or even D!

**Register here:**

**<https://www.qfvg.com.au/events#!event/register/2025/4/29/risky-business-risk-management-101>**

**Event Name**

Elders Farmfest

**Location**

Kingsthorpe Park,  
Toowoomba

**Day, Date**

3 - 5 June 2025

**Queensland's largest and most successful annual commercial agricultural business event**

Welcome to Elders FarmFest Field Days, Queensland's biggest primary industry event eagerly anticipated each year. Returning to Kingsthorpe Park, Toowoomba over three big days.

Elders FarmFest plays a vital role in Australian agriculture, showcasing and demonstrating a vast range of new products and services, highlighting new technology and innovation and providing information to professionals on the land.

**Tickets available here**

**<https://acmruralevents.com.au/farmfest/tickets>**





## Date Claimer

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#### Event name

Cattle, Carbon and Sustainability | Toogoolawah

#### Location

Toogoolawah

#### Day, Date

Tuesday 10 **OR**  
Wednesday 11 June

**Come along to one of these one-day workshops and learn about emerging Carbon and Environmental markets, the Carbon Cycle, progress towards Carbon Neutral and what it all means for your grazing business.**

The workshops provide an opportunity to hear from DPI Beef & Carbon Extension officer, Billie Standfield and respected Carbon Farmer & Advisor Christophe Bur along with Healthy Land & Water staff on the following topics so you can make informed decisions in a rapidly evolving and often confusing space:

- The Carbon Cycle and Carbon Emissions in agriculture.
- Carbon Neutral – what it means at industry and farm level.
- How to develop a Carbon Account for your grazing business.
- Practical options for managing carbon and emissions on your farm.
- Carbon Farming – what's involved, methods, opportunities and risks for your business.
- Other emerging environmental markets.

Morning tea and lunch are provided.

**For questions contact Vanessa Smolders at [vanessa.s@hlw.org.au](mailto:vanessa.s@hlw.org.au) or 0432 561 610.**