

Celebrating women in agriculture

To celebrate **International Women's Day 2019**, the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries invites you to join a selection of Queensland's inspiring agricultural women and share in their achievements and stories.

Date Wednesday 6 March

Time 10.00 am to 3.30 pm

Venue

Toowoomba Golf Club
235–323 Rowbotham St
Middle Ridge

Cost FREE

RSVP Friday 1 March

Register here

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Speakers



Dr Beth Woods

Beth Woods is the Director-General of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries Queensland. She was formerly the foundation Director of the Rural Extension Centre, The University of Queensland, and Professor of Agribusiness from 1997–2004. Beth completed her studies as a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University.



Brigid Price

Brigid is the creator of Rural Resources Online, a comprehensive website that unites Australian farmers through resources, shared knowledge, expert skills, and the all-important community stories and spirit encapsulated by life on the land. Brigid believes people are the greatest asset in any business and is committed to contributing to a positive future for Australian agriculture.



Melinee Leather

Melinee is a beef producer from Central Queensland and is passionate about sustainable grass-fed production and the future of farming families in Australia. She holds a Diploma in Rural Business Management and Agriculture and is a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. Melinee is a strong advocate for women working in the beef industry.



Jessica Fealy

Jessica and her family operate Blue Sky Produce, a mango, lime and avocado orchard near Mareeba. She is also a chartered accountant, community engagement practitioner and founder of Back Paddock Business, a business supporting rural enterprises. Her interest in the regional start-ups and innovation space is her passion.



Meg Kummerow

Meg has worked in the beef cattle and cotton industries and currently works in the grains industry. As Executive Officer for the Grains Research Foundation, Meg encourages young growers to expand their involvement in their industry. Her enthusiasm for agriculture and its people has moved her into the drone area where she provides a service for Australian farmers implementing this technology.



Georgie Somerset

Georgie is a beef farmer and a passionate advocate for rural and regional communities. She is highly regarded as an agricultural leader particularly for women in the industry. She recently became General President of AgForce Queensland—the first woman to do so. Georgie currently serves on several boards including the Australian Broadcasting Corporation, Royal Flying Doctor Service and Children's Health Queensland.



Katrina Hobbs

Katrina Hobbs is Managing Director of four family-owned companies—Eden Farms, Country Heritage Trust, Inglewood Poultry Farms and Country Heritage Feeds (the largest dedicated, certified organic stockfeed mill in Australia). Katrina has a Bachelor of Business, Diploma in Export Management and a Diploma in Corporate Governance. Katrina has contributed to business and the community with directorships and executive roles.



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