

2023 Annual General Meeting

Clifford Park Racecourse
Toowoomba

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 9TH Pre – AGM tour

University of Queensland
Dairy Research Team



Gatton Research Dairy

Farm visit – 600 cow dairy
with compost barns



FRIDAY NOVEMBER 10TH AGM & Lunch

Annual General Meeting
Quality Awards Presentation



Fund Raising Lunch
with Wayne Bennett

GRASSROOTS TO GREATNESS

A leadership lunch with Wayne Bennett



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Farm No:	Attending		
	Names	Farm Tour	Wayne Bennett Lunch

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

I am pleased to announce that the 2023 Dairy Farmers Milk Co-operative Annual General Meeting will be held in Toowoomba, Queensland. The Darling Downs has long been a strong contributor to milk production and a heartland region for DFMC.

This year's event will include a pre-AGM tour which will be an opportunity for members to check in on some of the great work being done by the dairy research team at the University of Queensland in their efforts to help build efficient and more profitable farms in the Sunshine State.

We all enjoy being able to see farms that are doing well, not to mention being able to go through to 'tyre kick', which is why we will also be visiting the Bourke family's property at Gladfield. This multi-generational family business has made the step to invest in compost barns as a way of better managing heat on their 600 strong Illawarra herd. John, Kev, Shane, and Paul all have a strong passion for dairying and sharing their knowledge and experiences with other farmers is something they are only too happy to do.

As the weather bureau predicted, much of eastern Australia has headed into dry conditions. We know all too well what this can mean for farms in terms of pressure and competing priorities. Which is why we sought to think outside the square on ways to help and settled on a unique partnership between the Co-operative and Rotary to raise funds for their Drought Relief Program. With Bega's sponsorship of the Dolphins rugby league team in the NRL, we have been able to arrange for Wayne Bennett to attend and lend a hand for what will be a special AGM lunch event.

Getting off farm, catching up with other farmers to share ideas and experiences is something that we do not do often enough so I encourage you to join us. I look forward to seeing you in Toowoomba.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Burnett', followed by a stylized flourish.

Andrew Burnett
Chairman



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Thursday, 09 November		Friday, November 10th	
8:30am 9:00am	<p>People movers leaving Brisbane Airport</p> <p>Bus leaving Clifford Park Racecourse, Toowoomba</p> <p><i>Any members wishing to travel as a group on a bus for the day's events should arrive at Clifford Park Racecourse's carpark by 8:50am. Please advise Damien Tessmann of your RSVP by Thursday 2nd of November.</i></p>	10:00am	<p>Members Room, Clifford Park Racecourse (Hursley Rd, Toowoomba)</p> <p>Guest Speaker:</p> <p>Paul Roderick, Farmer Director Dairy Australia</p> <p>Open Forum</p> <p>Annual General Meeting</p>
10:00am – 12:30pm	<p>University of Queensland (Gatton)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tour of University of Queensland Research Dairy. • Proportion of Un-grazed Pasture (PUP) grazing trial update. • Dairy Beef program. • BBQ Lunch at Queensland Department of Agriculture & Fisheries (DAF) Laboratory. 	11:30am	<p>Ian Stewart National Milk Quality Awards Presentation</p>
		12.30pm – 3.00pm	<p>'Grassroots to Greatness'</p> <p>Lunch with Rugby League Super Coach Wayne Bennett. (See flyer attached)</p> <p>Please note: DFMC members are not required to RSVP via the Rotary flyer. Please complete the RSVP form on the front page, or email details to Damien Tessmann by Thursday 2nd of November.</p>
1:45pm – 3:30pm	<p>Farm Tour – JP Bourke & Co</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 600 cows on 566 hectares at Gladfield (north of Warwick), 50 stand rotary dairy. • 80% Illawarra and 20% Holstein. • Two compost barns with herd fed a full TMR from October through to May, PMR during winter. 		
4:45pm	Arrive back in Toowoomba		
7:00pm	Dinner with DFMC Board		



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A leadership lunch with Wayne Bennett

Widely regarded as the greatest rugby league coach Australia has ever had, Wayne Bennett is one of the most influential and innovative of modern day coaches.

Wayne Bennett will inspire with his knowledge of leadership, and discuss how great leaders aren't just born, they're created!

100% of the funds raised will go to supporting our communities in need through the Rotary District 9620 Drought Relief Program.

Friday 10th November 12:00pm
Grand Atrium | Clifford Park Racecourse
\$150 per person | \$1250 table of 10

Includes canapes, lunch,
drink on arrival & cash bar

Tickets via Humanitix



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Rotary
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