

Biological Farmers of Australia

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CUNNAMULLA TO HOST ORGANIC ROADSHOW

Some of western Queensland's best organic operations will be on show when the Biological Farmers of Australia (BFA), Seasol and the Paroo Shire Council host the Cunnamulla Organic Roadshow on Thursday May 20 at the Cunnamulla Showgrounds.

The day will feature an interesting line-up of speakers covering every type of production, including soil health, domestic and international markets and certification. The speakers include not only renowned soil health specialist and agronomist Neil Judd, however also some of the best A-Grade producers from the wider region.

BFA General Manager Holly Vyner says the organic industry is providing an alternative way forward for agriculture, addressing large and growing issues facing the rural sector and environment.

"With many organic producers now with some decades of experience behind them and with an increasing amount of R&D and experience to draw from in Australia and overseas, organic principles are being adopted by every kind of farmer interested in improving yields, quality, farm resilience and decreasing farm inputs through improving the biology of soil," Ms Vyner said.

"There is an enormous appetite for information on biological and organic production in the Paroo Shire and the Cunnamulla Organic Roadshow is guaranteed to create a wave of interest and opportunities for the region," she said.

Paroo Shire Council Mayor Cr Jo Sheppard said a three-course networking dinner at the Hotel Cunnamulla would follow on from the Roadshow later that day.

"The dinner is open to anyone including family, neighbours and friends and we expect it to be a great night out," she said.

"This event is an excellent opportunity for those who want to make key contacts and network with industry members."

"Regardless of your business type, this is a great opportunity to gain some insight into the entire organic supply chain."

The BFA Roadshow will also feature a farm tour of the Dunsdon family's organic fat lamb and fully- irrigated organic wheat and backgrounding operation at Cunnamulla.

Dunsdon brothers Geoff, Greg and Don will share their experiences in starting up an organic operation, the problems they have encountered and their projections for the future.



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All media are welcome. Media images and interviews will be available for both events.

Post- event information will also be available.

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