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# News

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## Have your say on the Blueprint!

**Growers are invited to have their say on the development of the SA Grain Industry Blueprint through a series of workshops to be held across SA in coming weeks.**

At the workshops, growers will be able to have their say on whether they think the Blueprint sets the right path for the industry, and whether it meets the industry's requirements to succeed through to 2030 and beyond.

The Blueprint is designed to drive public and private investment and provide a roadmap to achieving \$6 billion in post-farm gate value by 2030.

The Blueprint workshops will provide growers with the opportunity gain an advanced understanding of the Blueprint and engage interactively with its contents before providing feedback on the projects and targets most important to them.

Industry stakeholders looking to provide feedback can do so through GPSA's dedicated Blueprint website which includes interactive surveys, priority ranking and comment options.

The website also includes videos from our industry champions, the Blueprint podcast and event details for the Blueprint workshops.

The Blueprint Roadshow kicked off on the Yorke Peninsula on Wednesday 24 June, with growers from across the Peninsula providing valuable on this important industry initiative.

Upcoming workshop locations include Laura, Murray Bridge, Cummins, Wudinna, Ceduna and Kimba!

Learn more and have your say on the Blueprint at: [www.blueprint.grainproducerssa.com.au](http://www.blueprint.grainproducerssa.com.au).

Growers can register for one of our roadshow locations via [www.tinyurl.com/GPSABlueprintWorkshop](http://www.tinyurl.com/GPSABlueprintWorkshop)

The development of the Blueprint has been led by Grain Producers SA and is proudly supported by the Government of South Australia.

## Heavy Vehicle workshops re-launched!

**GPSA are currently rescheduling our remaining 'Roadworthy Heavy Vehicles... Made Easy' workshops following recent changes to government health advice and restrictions.**

Growers that previously registered should keep an eye out for an email update with new workshop times in the coming weeks.

Our first 're-launched' workshop kicks off in Clare on June 30, with other locations to follow over the coming months!

The 'Roadworthy Heavy Vehicles... Made Easy' workshops are free for all PPSA commodity group members. Growers are still able to register their interest in attending one of the remaining workshops.

For more information or to register, visit GPSA's website at [www.grainproducerssa.com.au](http://www.grainproducerssa.com.au)

ROADWORTHY  
HEAVY VEHICLES... *Made Easy!*

## Dr John Harvey appointed as SAGIT Trustee

**Experienced company director and former head of the Grape and Wine Rural Research and Development Corporation Dr John Harvey has been appointed as a SAGIT Trustee by GPSA for a three-year term following a public nomination process earlier this year.**

Dr Harvey is a former genetics researcher with a strong understanding of the agricultural research landscape.

Through his role as Deputy Chair of Rural Business Support, and as a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, he has a comprehensive appreciation of corporate

governance principles

The 5 Trustees of the SA Grain Industry Trust administer the voluntary research levy contributed by SA grain growers, investing approximately \$2 million to support research that is crucial to advancing the SA grain industry.

GPSA has an oversight role with SAGIT which includes appointment of four Group A trustees, and receiving annual reports from the Trust.

More information is available at [www.sagit.com.au](http://www.sagit.com.au)

## Emerging Leaders gain media skills



**GPSA's inaugural Emerging Leaders cohort regrouped for their 6th session earlier this month with a focus on effective media communications and personal brand development.**

7 News journalist Ron Kandelaars lent his experience to the group and put each participant through their paces through a mock media conference on key GPSA issues including GM and mining policy. The training also gave the group a new perspective on how to pitch industry stories to news organisations to highlight the primary production sector to metropolitan audiences.

The group were also introduced to personal branding by recruitment specialist Anna Roussos. Anna provided an insight into how participants could position themselves for key industry roles, as well as helping the group to develop their resume and cover letter writing skills, while also finalising leadership action plans.

The group's next session will focus on corporate governance skills and the role of a board.

## GM crops decision heads to councils

**GPSA has continued its campaign for grower choice following changes to SA's GM crops legislation in May.**

Under these changes, councils will be given the option to apply to retain SA's GM crop moratorium for trade and marketing purposes over the next six-months. All other areas (except Kangaroo Island) will then have the moratorium lifted. The final decision on any council application will be made by the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development.

GPSA will work with all councils across the cropping belt to address concerns, identify opportunities, and help councils to better understand the significance of this reform to SA's grains industry.

More information on SA's GM moratorium is available on GPSA's website: [www.grainproducerssa.com.au](http://www.grainproducerssa.com.au)

## ifarmwell now available as a podcast!

Growers have more options at their fingertips to help them get the most out of every day following the launch of the ifarmwell podcast series.

Voiced by renowned former ABC radio presenter Drew Radford, the eight-part series takes the listener on a journey to better wellbeing and helps them put in place strategies to help them manage life's challenges and get the most out of every day.

The series also features the voices of farmers across Australia who have used ifarmwell and incorporated these strategies into their lives.

The podcast is an addition to the highly-successful ifarmwell online modules which equips users with tools and strategies they can implement into their everyday lives to help them focus on what matters.

Ifarmwell is aimed at farmers and those who work with them in rural communities. The website and podcast series is designed to be useful for both farmers who are currently feeling down or stressed as well as those who would simply like some new tools to improve their ability to cope with uncertainty associated with life on the land.

Grain Producers SA has partnered with ifarmwell to develop a communication and awareness campaign to support the uptake of the program with funding from Business SA's Healthy Workers Across Industry Grant Program.

Visit the ifarmwell website: [www.ifarmwell.com.au](http://www.ifarmwell.com.au)

ifarmwell is available on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, and Soundcloud.



## Winter 2020 edition of *Grain Producer* now available

The winter 2020 edition of Grain Producer is now available! In this edition of Grain Producer we take a look at the challenges and the exciting opportunities for our industry following the development of the South Australian Grain Industry Blueprint for 2030.

We also take a look at the campaign to lift SA's GM moratorium, GPSA's 'Roadworthy Heavy Vehicles... Made Easy!' program, and the rollout of tools to support farmers' mental health and wellbeing.

Read the digital edition online at [www.grainproducerssa.com.au](http://www.grainproducerssa.com.au) or get in touch with the GPSA office to request a hard copy.