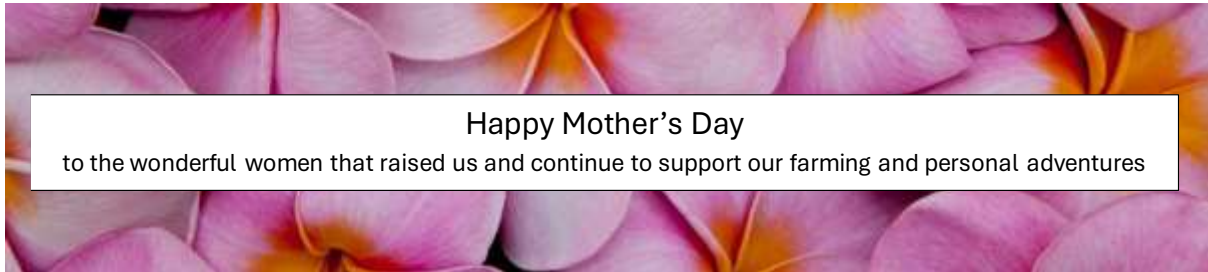


Brigalow Bites

Edition 4 Sunday 11 May 2025



RECAP 4TH APRIL MEETING

A huge thank you to those that attended our April meeting and contributed to the discussion and camaraderie. Compliments again to Kelly and the Inverai Hall Committee for catering and being patient with the frequently shifting number of RSVPs. Our sign-in sheet reflected 29 growers and 24 industry attendees. We are truly privileged to have the support of industry, and this will undoubtedly strengthen into the future as we learn how best to work together for the success of all parties.

Attached to this email are the presentations from our guest speakers.

[Barbara George - Emissions](#)

[Majella Bathurst - Barley lodging](#)

[Jordan Davis - Canola](#)

[Tim Neale - Variable Rate N](#)

[Tim Neale - Operations Optimisation](#)

We were able to discuss the performance of 36 sorghum paddocks during the meeting, but we also acknowledged that some had not yet finished harvesting. While the later harvest is likely to have been influenced by cyclone rain and not look quite as rosy as the early crop, I would encourage you to submit your results. Sharing is not about judging; it is about learning and therefore I have attached the sorghum template again to this email and welcome more data.

REPORTING AND REDUCING GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS WORKSHOP

Barbara George-Jaeggli spoke at length about the growing pressure on big business to accurately account for carbon emissions and how that will push back on growers to understand the carbon footprint of farm produce. It is likely to have impacts on lending rates and potentially the ability to sell into certain markets. To help navigate the world of carbon emissions, the **DPI will be holding a 3-hour workshop at Dalby DPI offices on Wednesday 21 May.**

To register for the free workshop, click on the link below

[Emissions Workshop](#)

WINTER CROP TRIALS

One of the aims of the Brigalow Farming Group is to identify any trials happening in the area and share the learnings amongst our members.

Jordan Davis from DPI has kindly offered to collate those being conducted by their team but if you have any 'test strips' (be they planned or accidental!) please let me know. We hope to have some field walks during the year with the first being after winter crop establishment, so looking at trials in paddocks is a great place to start discussion.

Matt Naumann from **Intergrain** has supplied Neo barley seed to the group and we thank *John Alexander, Brendan Taylor, St John Kent and Russell Taylor* for agreeing to put this into a test situation for us. In addition, there is a small quantity of a line showing excellent standability, so Majella will incorporate that into the GRDC supported barley lodging trials.

SPONSORS AND SPONSOR PROMOTION EMAILS

The committee have been actively negotiating sponsorship to ensure financial security for the group. To acknowledge the valuable contributions of local businesses, we will on occasion send out Sponsor Promotion emails. This month we have distributed information regarding the Western Downs Regional Business Summit which will be held in Chinchilla on Tuesday 27 May. Event coordinators and sponsors EnVision Partners, have kindly offered BFG members discounted tickets to attend.

To register click on the link below

[Western Downs Regional Business Summit](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Contact</i>
21 May	Reporting and Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions	Barbara.George-Jaeggli@daf.qld.gov.au
27 May	Western Downs Regional Business Summit	wdrbs.com.au
Coming Soon	Winter crop walk and agronomy discussion session	
15 August	Brigalow Farming Group Meeting	Vicki Green 0408 759 395
21 November	Brigalow Farming Group Meeting & AGM	Vicki Green 0408 759 395

I hope if you are into planting, things are progressing as they should!