

The Biological Farmers of Australia & Seasol proudly present

Bundaberg Organic Roadshow



Thursday May 6, 2010



Details: *RSVP ASAP to avoid disappointment*

The Bundaberg Organic Roadshow will be held in conjunction with Agro-Trend Field Days 2010

When: 8.30am – 4.00pm, Thursday May 6, 2010

Where: 7 Kendalls Road, off the main Southern Highway leading to Bundaberg (opposite the Bundaberg Airport)

Entry: BFA Roadshow registration is at Site1 via the Main Gate. For access, please use the public car park entrance, via University Drive

RSVP: Monday May 3, 2010

Ph: 07 3350 5716 ext. 232

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Email: events@bfa.com.au / or go to www.bfa.com.au to download a booking form.

Cost: Thanks to Agro-Trend and our sponsors, the cost of entry is minimal and includes catering for the day as well as entry into the Field Days.

BFA Members: \$20 Members pre payment (\$25 on the day)

Non-BFA Members: \$25 Non-members pre payment (\$30 on the day)



Agro-Trend Field Days 2010

From May 6 to 8, the Rotary Club of Bundaberg presents the Agro Trend Field Day, a dedicated agricultural and horticultural event attracting visitors from around the nation and overseas.

The first Agro-Trend Day was held in 1978 and since thousands of visitors have passed through the gates while an estimated \$60 million dollars has been poured into the local economy.

With 500 sites to see, past exhibits showcase the latest innovations for sugar, horticulture, irrigation and water supply, machinery, motor vehicles and trucks, livestock and animal husbandry, aquaculture, agricultural supplies, packaging and transportation and a range of other rural technologies and industries, including a Craft Expo.

This year some key highlights include the BFA Organic/ Biological Roadshow which will be the main feature on Centre stage, musicians Lee Kernaghan and Rod Bryant, helicopter joy flights, the Australian Travelling Fishing Show, Harvey Norman Celebrity Chefs, free heart health assessments, working dog trials and dog agility demonstrations, an antique machinery display and ladies fashion parades.



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ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

Dr Maarten Stapper
Director, BioLogic AgFood

Dr Stapper began his career in science and agriculture more than 40 years ago, and is an expert across a wide spectrum of agricultural areas including wheat agronomy and the use of information technology in farming. Dr Stapper believes that soil health is not just about the environment - it is also about profitable farming, lowering inputs and associated costs, making plants and land more resilient and efficient while utilising natural resources for increased productivity. A former senior scientist with CSIRO, Dr Stapper will share his knowledge on how to make the most of soils using alternative farming methods to 'hard chemical' applications.

Mr Doug Haas
Chairman, Biological Farmers of Australia

In conjunction with his partner Anne, BFA Chairman Doug Haas owns and operates a commercial vegetable farm, trading as Red Country Produce, North of Yeppoon, near Rockhampton. The property has produced a variety of certified organic cucurbits, tomatoes, capsicums, eggplants, beans and hay. Apart from the property being certified with ACO, it also carries SQF 2000 certification with SGS. SQF 2000 qualifies the farm both for Food Safety and Quality of Product.

Mr Haas first became involved in the BFA in 1992 and was asked to become a member of the BFA Board in June 1996. In 1997 he was appointed Chairman of the BFA Board, a position he has continued to hold ever since. During this time the BFA has experienced some of the most important and strategic changes in its history. On the home front, Mr Haas is also Chairman of the Yeppoon District Farmers Co-op.

Who should attend? Roadshows are open to all interested in seeking the latest information on biological production systems and organic/biodynamic food and farming. The event is an excellent opportunity for those who want to make key contacts and network with industry members and is an opportunity to view trade displays of companies supplying organic 'allowed inputs' and other products/ services. Consisting of brief and practical talks, regardless of your type of business, you will gain an insight into biological farming systems and the entire organic supply chain.

Where to stay? For accommodation, visit the Bundaberg West Visitor Information Centre at 271 Bourbong Street or contact 07 4153 8888 or the bookings line on 1300 722 099 (cost of a local call in Australia only). More information is also available at www.bundabergregion.info.

**BFA's subsidiary Australian Certified Organic
is recently winner of a CHOICE Award for
Best Food Endorsement Program 2010**



To register your details for the Bundaberg Roadshow or any other BFA events, please contact the BFA on 07 3350 5716 ext 232 or email events@bfa.com.au.

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