

MORE THAN GUMBOOTS AND TRACTORS

# CAREERS IN AUSTRALIAN GRAINS INDUSTRY

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WAGGA WAGGA, NSW

## AGENDA

Wednesday, June 29, 2016

### Careers and Opportunities in the Australian Grains Industry - Wagga Wagga, June 29

8:45 Register & Networking  
> Collect name badge and information pack  
> Arrival tea, coffee and biscuits  
Charles Sturt University  
Indyamarra Room (A)

9:00 **Welcome and Introduction**  
> The Australian grains industry  
> Careers in action  
Sarah McDonnell  
AgCommunicators

9:15 **Graham Centre for Agricultural Innovation: Insight into research, innovation, careers and opportunities:**  
> Stubble management  
> Systems integration – grains, crops and pastures  
> Soil constraints and farming  
> Break crops (canola/pulses)  
> Food quality  
Toni Nugent  
Industry Partnerships and  
Communications Manager  
Graham Centre  
Building 3009  
Albert Pugsley PI, CSU

9:45 **Student snap shots – Honours and PhD students**  
> Study pathways  
> Research opportunities

10:00 Morning Tea on the bus

### 10:30 - 12:30 Facilities Tour: Riverina Oils & Bio Energy Pty Ltd (ROBE)

**Talk and Tour**  
> Integrated oil seed crushing and refining plant  
> Delivery and quality requirements  
ROBE  
177 Trahairs Road, Bomen  
Wagga Wagga

12:30 Return to CSU Convention Centre for lunch Indyamarra Room (A)

## 1:15 - 2:45 Plant Breeding for New Varieties: Australian Grain Technologies (AGT)

1:15 - 1:45

### Australia's largest plant breeding company and market leader in wheat genetics

- > What we do and who we are
- > Plant breeding and genetics
- > My career in the grains industry

**Russell Eastwood**

Senior Wheat Breeder

AGT

11 Cheshire St, Wagga Wagga

**Brett Irons**

Agronomist / Plant Breeding

**Brett Irons / Emma Dunbar**

- > Roles and industry pathways

**Emma Dunbar**

Warehouse Manager

## 1:45 Trade, Tertiary and Certificate Pathways

### The Riverina Institute's Primary Industries Centre (PIC)

- > Opportunities in agricultural and horticultural studies
- > Diploma in Agriculture
- > Certificate IV in Agriculture
- > Diploma in Agribusiness Management
- > Prerequisites, pathways and opportunities

**Timothy Carroll**

Ag Teacher

Agriculture Centre

TAFE NSW

2:15

### Charles Sturt University

- > Bachelor of Agriculture
- > Prerequisites, Pathways and opportunities

**Jason Condon**

Agricultural Lecturer

CSU

2:45

Afternoon tea on the bus

## 3:15 Trial Site Tour: Pioneer Dupont Breeding Nursery

### Talk and tour

- > The infield and big picture breeding program
- > Career opportunities in plant breeding

**Dr Raymond Cowley**

Plant Breeder

National Leader Canola Research

4:15

Return to CSU

## 4:30 Australian Research Council Industrial Transformation Training Centre for Functional Grains

### Growing grain for food products

- > Consumer preferences, new products and consumer demand
- > Managing grain quality on farm to meet market demands
- > Food science program
- > Opportunities and careers

**Prof Chris Blanchard**

Director

ARC ITTC for Functional Grains

Charles Sturt University

### Facilities Tour - Quality Labs and Functional Grains Facilities

- > National Life Sciences Hub (CSU Labs)
- > DPI cereal chemistry lab

**Prof Chris Blanchard**

Wagga Wagga Agricultural

Institute

Pugsley Place, CSU

6:00

End of Day Session

6:00 - 7:00

## Industry Networking Hour at CSU Bangayarra Room

Relax and enjoy our grains based canapes and continue your careers conversations with our speakers and industry representatives.

Recap of the day, wrap up, participants to complete survey and receive a gift and certificate

7:00

## Workshop concluded, thank you for a great day and safe travels