

15 & 16 October 2025

DPI Gatton Smart Farm



# **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### What are the features of the Showcase?

The 2025 Showcase at the Department of Primary Industries Gatton Research Facility covers an area of 6 hectares. Main features of the event are;

- Live in-crop demonstrations of field AgTech
- Protected cropping greenhouses with crop and AgTech demonstrations including a protected cropping expo
- AgTech general exhibition with trade show booths
- Central marquee with AgTech speaker program curated by AusAgriTech
- Food and drink, breakout/meeting areas and amenities

### Where is the AgTech Showcase being held?

As in 2023, the Showcase will be held at the DPI's Gatton Research Facility & Smart Farm, at 107 John Howie Memorial Drive, Lawes QLD 4343 (-27.54422,152.33176). Note: In Google maps search for Gatton Research Station.

# What are the opening and closing times for the Showcase?

The Showcase will run from 8:30am to 5:00pm on both Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 October 2025.

### Does the program differ between the two days?

The live demonstration program will be run as both morning and afternoon sessions on both days of the event. Day 1 will also feature the official opening of the new Protected Cropping Centre for Mild Winter Climates. The AgTech exhibition and speaking program will run over both days. For more information regarding the speaking program, contact Meg Lovegrove (AusAgriTech) on 0466 492 266.

### When will the program be available?

The program will be finalised in September.

## What is the cost to attend?

\$20 – for a **one-day** pass

\$30 – for a two-day pass







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## Do I need to register for the Showcase to attend?

Registering through the portal before the event is the fastest and easiest way to gain entry into the Showcase however it will be possible to register at entry on the day. Credit or debit cards are required to pay for registration. No cash will be accepted.

#### Will there be food available on site?

Yes, we will have great coffee and food trucks on site. There will also be a water station available to refill water bottles.

# Where is the best place to stay?

Gatton township is only a 10 min drive from the Gatton Research Facility; however it is a relatively small town with limited accommodation. Toowoomba is a major centre only 40 minutes west with a large range of accommodation options. Alternative accommodation is also available at Ipswich (49km) and Brisbane CBD (87km) east of Gatton.

#### Will there be a social event?

We are working to organise an on-site Sundowner function from 5:00 to 7:00 pm on Wednesday 15 October. Details will follow closer to the event.

### What will happen if extreme weather conditions are forecast for the event?

The Gatton AgTech Showcase is an outdoor field day event. If <u>extreme</u> weather conditions are forecast, it is possible the event may be modified, postponed or cancelled. The event team is dedicated to ensuring the event goes ahead successfully but as we know in agriculture, the weather is impossible to control. Any decision on date changes or cancellation will be made in conjunction with Showcase partners and exhibitors.

In the unlikely event that the Gatton AgTech Showcase is cancelled or postponed, participants will be notified promptly. If the event is cancelled, participants will receive a full reimbursement of their registration fees. If the event is postponed, participants can choose to transfer their registration to the rescheduled event date or request a full reimbursement.



