

Growing Leaders

National Vegetable Industry Leadership Program



Are you interested in making a difference?

Are you interested in learning about your industry?

Willing to take on a challenge, work in teams to initiate change?



Then
GROWING LEADERS -
National Vegetable
Industry
Leadership Program
...is for you!



Growing Leaders 2018 – National Vegetable Industry Leadership Program 2018 (Growing Leaders 2018) is the leadership platform being delivered through funding from the Horticulture Innovation Australia and developed, managed and delivered by Rural Training Initiatives P/L.

Growing Leaders 2018 is the only national industry specific leadership program for the Australian vegetable industry and was designed in consultation with vegetable industry people and with their specific needs in mind. In its tenth year the program now has a graduate population of 100 people of all ages and from all sectors of the industry including growing, processing, wholesale and extension have now successfully completed the program.

Growing Leaders 2018 focuses on developing skills that participants can apply at three key levels – personal, business and national industry. Participants are also encouraged to develop and implement plans associated with these three areas. Overall the program's focus is to provide participants with the right tools and understanding to have a positive impact on their own future, the future of their own businesses and the future of the Australian vegetable industry as a whole.

The content of the program ensures that participants are exposed to effective ways of handling conflict, improved communication techniques, the management of efficient meetings, high performance team building, change management and media knowledge. Participants are also exposed to the wide diversity of the Australian vegetable industry and some of the different issues facing the industry.



“This knowledge has given me new energy, enthusiasm and in the way I conduct myself and approach my workplace and my industry involvement.”

Graduates have applied their skills to a wide variety of areas including regional network development, regional and state industry association boards, reference committees and effective business and workplace management.

“Thanks again for the tremendous work Rural Training Initiatives; this leadership program has helped me enormously.”
“Interesting, challenging, informative, fun, helpful, thought-provoking.”



The program content is tailored to meet the specific needs of the Australian vegetable industry and has been developed and modified in consultation with experienced industry leaders. The program is delivered through funding from the Horticulture Innovation Australia. The facilitators – Jill Briggs and Cynthia Mahoney of Rural Training Initiatives - have energetic and engaging processes that ensures learning occurs for all participants.

In its 10th year, Growing Leaders 2018 will be delivered over six months and through three key residential sessions:-

First Residential –March
Second Residential –June
(in conjunction with AUSVEG-PMANZ Convention)
Third Residential – September
(dates to be confirmed)

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