

Members Newsletter

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From the President

Robert Brokenshire

Firstly, SADA continues to work closely with the Department to finalise the **Freight Subsidy** process. We know this is important for many members, so we appreciate your patience as the details are worked through.

On a brighter note, it has been encouraging to see some much-needed **rain across our regions**. If you are experiencing challenges, please remember that resources and support are available through the SADA website — and don't hesitate to get in touch with us directly.

What a night at the 2025 South Australian

Dairy Awards Gala — a true Dairy Wonderland! This year's Awards celebrated the strength, innovation, and resilience of our dairy community. From sustainability to innovation, from partnerships to leadership, our winners embody the bright future of South Australian dairy. Each of these farmers shows why our industry is worth celebrating and supporting — not just today, but for generations to come.

🌿 **A Big Thank You to Our Partners!** 🌿

SADA is proud to support the **Junior Handlers at the Show** each year with a BBQ.

None of this would be possible without the

generous contributions of our partners — Foodland, Fleurieu Milk Company, Golden North, and La Casa. Your support helps us celebrate the next generation of dairy champions. 🐄

Finally, on the global front, we note **Fonterra's decision to sell its consumer and associated businesses to a French company** for NZ\$3.845 billion, subject to approvals. This is a timely reminder of how dynamic our industry is — and why it remains so important to build strong, resilient dairy businesses here in South Australia.

Together, we keep our industry moving forward — with pride, with purpose, and with passion.



Celebrating SA Dairy Excellence 🙌

🌟 What a night at the 2025 South Australian Dairy Awards Gala, a true Dairy Wonderland! From innovation and sustainability to strong industry partnerships and inspiring young leaders, our award winners are shaping the future of SA dairy. 🌟

Congratulations to: 🏆 Young Farmer of the Year — Narelle Zanker, Dairy Adventures Mannum
🏆 Best Relationship with a Processor — Mark Chandler, Mulgundawa Dairy
🏆 Innovative Farmer of the Year — Reece Donhardt, Nangkita Dairies
🏆 Foodland Sustainability Award — Brad Fischer, Campbell House

🐄 These champions show the world why South Australian dairy is worth celebrating and worth supporting. 🐄



From the SADA Desk: What you need to know

These are things that have

come to our attention over the past month which might be of interest to you. If there is anything that you think we have missed or you would like to see in the newsletter, please email: sada@sada.asn.au



Fonterra settles on the sale of its consumer business to overseas giant
Fonterra is selling its consumer and associated businesses to a French giant for NZ\$3.845 billion, subject to shareholder and regulatory approvals.

[FULL STORY HERE](#)



Demand for Australian dairy products on the rise right across the globe
Dairy farmers have been asked to consider exporting their products to boost profitability. Catherine said there was growing [international demand for Australian dairy products](#).



Big news for agriculture education in SA! From 2026, students can study a Bachelor of Education (Secondary) with an **agriculture specialisation** at the new [Adelaide University](#). For the first time in SA, this provides a direct pathway into teaching ag via a four-year undergraduate degree. The ag specialist subjects will be taught by leading educators from the Bachelor of Ag Science degree, ensuring students learn from the best in an industry-connected course.

[Why Bachelor of Teaching?](#)



Faster, more Ag trade aim of new China, Thailand deals ditching paper trails. Australia has struck agreements with China and Thailand that smooth the way for faster trade movements for farm products by swapping out paper for more streamlined border eCertification systems.



[Eight new ideas to help farmers save money, time and fight against drought](#)

The eight representatives of the Beanstalk Drought Venture Studio cohort three, speaking about their ideas to help manage drought on-farm.

STUDY WITH US IN 2026

Applications open for 2026. Whether you're ready to kick-start a new career or take your skills to the next level, **TAFE SA** is where your journey begins.

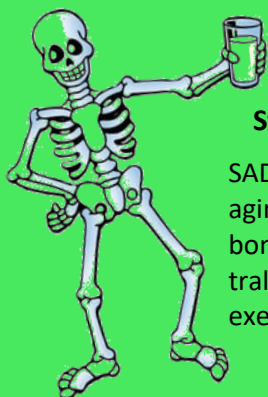


[MORE HERE](#)

REGIONAL IMPACT AWARD

The Regional Impact Award celebrates our local graduates who are living or working within regional South Australia and making a positive impact on their local communities.

[Nominate now for the TAFE SA Honour Awards 2025](#)



🦴 Healthy Bones Action Week 🦴

Stronger Bones Start in SA: SADA Champions Dairy's Role in Healthy Bones Action Week.

SADA is proud to support **Healthy Bones Action Week**, running from **25–31 August 2025**, encouraging all South Australians—especially women aged 40 to 55—to take simple steps toward better bone health. Held annually in August, Healthy Bones Action Week is a national initiative of the Australian dairy industry, shining a spotlight on the importance of calcium-rich dairy, weight-bearing exercise, and vitamin D in **maintaining strong bones throughout your life**.

🦴 Why Dairy Matters 🦴

ROYAL ADELAIDE SHOW

31 AUG - 8 SEPT

Dairy Cattle Competition
Junior Handlers Competition



A Big Thank You to Our Partners!

Every year, we're proud to provide a BBQ for the Junior Handlers at the Show. This wouldn't be possible without the generous support of our fantastic partners:

Foodland

for the meat and fresh salads

Fleurieu Milk Company

for the much-loved chocco milk

Golden North

for the iconic ice creams

La Casa

for the Mozzarella Cheese Sticks.

Moo Premium Foods

for the yummy Yoghurt.

CMI Toyota

for the BBQ trailer.

Your contributions make the day special for our young dairy champions.

Thank you for helping us celebrate the next generation of the dairy industry!

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- Source of calcium



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you.

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SNAPSHOTS in DAIRY



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your future.



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in the Dairy Pavilion
handing out
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**South Australian Dairy Awards:
Brad Fischer wins sustainability
accolade**



**Cream rises to the top at
South Australian Dairy Awards
as young farmer crowned**



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