



The Gardiner Dairy Foundation Vision is to continue to invest in emerging leaders and practices to help develop a long-term future for the dairy industry.

Gardiner Dairy Foundation People Development Opportunities

As part of our Community and People Development Portfolio Gardiner Dairy Foundation invests in a number of scholarships that seek to fill skill and capability gaps as well as provide support for local dairy communities.

Farm Business Management Program

Partner Organisations West Vic Dairy, Gipps Dairy and Murray Dairy

The Gardiner Dairy Foundation through the Gardiner/RDP Farm Business Management Program aims to identify and foster ten dairy farmers with leadership potential across the three Victorian dairy regions. There are two key elements to this program; developing business acumen for the individual and subsequently the individual sharing their learnings with the broader Victorian dairy industry through leadership opportunities.

Successful applicants will be awarded a scholarship to attend one of three leadership and business development programs, if accepted into the course of their choice. The programs are Rabobank Executive Development Program (3 positions), University of Queensland Business Owner/ Manager Program™ (6 positions) and the 2017 Australian Rural Leadership Program (1 position).

Applications open in February visit www.gardinerfoundation.com.au or contact your local RDP for more information.

2017 Nuffield Farming Scholarship

Partner Organisation Nuffield Australia

Each year Gardiner Dairy Foundation supports a Nuffield Farming Scholarship. This scholarship is a unique opportunity for a Victorian dairy farmer to experience agriculture from a global perspective, and investigate their chosen agricultural topic.

Applications open in April 2016, more information can be found at www.nuffield.com.au

2017 New Zealand Study Tour

Partner Organisation United Dairy Farmers of Victoria (UDV)

Five high calibre young dairy industry professionals are supported to attend an 8-day study tour of the key New Zealand dairy farming regions. The tour takes in many aspects of the NZ dairy industry such as farms, processing companies, research and extension facilities, and farmer groups with plenty of opportunity to network. The study tour is underpinned by the NCDEA Certificate IV level unit "Support and Review Business Structures and Relationships", which participants complete during and after the tour, and for which they receive formal accreditation.

Applications open in September and close in October 2016, visit www.vff.org.au for further information.

2017 Tertiary Scholarships

There are four Gardiner Dairy Foundation Tertiary Scholarships available to support rural students with the potential to make an impact on the future of the dairy industry and its communities. Successful scholars will receive \$7,500 per year of study in their approved tertiary course, subject to the Gardiner Dairy Foundation's terms and conditions.

Applications open in August and close in November 2016, visit www.gardinerfoundation.com.au for more details.

2016/17 Community Leadership Programs

Partner Organisation Victorian Regional Community Leadership Program

Gardiner Dairy Foundation provides up to ten scholarships per year to five Victorian regional Community Leadership Programs (CLPs). The Scholarships will be awarded to one dairy farmer and one dairy industry service provider per region. The Community Leadership Programs provide the opportunity for emerging dairy leaders to develop leadership skills and networks within their own community.

Applications are open in May for the Alpine Valleys Program and October for the Fairley Leadership, Great South Coast Leadership, Loddon-Murray Leadership and Gippsland Community Leadership Programs visit www.vrclp.com.au for more information on all programs.

For more information on any of our people development opportunities please contact the Gardiner Dairy Foundation on 03 8621 2900 or visit www.gardinerfoundation.com.au