



TRAIL Overview

Seventeen leaders from throughout Australia graduated from the TRAIL: emerging leaders program in Canberra on Friday 4 May 2018.

The eight-day program held in Canberra and surrounds provided many challenging opportunities for this diverse group of emerging leaders to identify and expand their leadership skills, meet established leaders from different sectors and industries, and participate in experiential exercises to promote cross-sector collaboration.

Some of the benefits of the program are the opportunities to reflect on their own stage of leadership, make commitments to future leadership and to maximise the valuable networks that are provided as a result of participating in this diverse cohort.

Graduates of the program were sponsored by industry and government organisations, or their employers. They stepped away from their busy lives to focus on developing their abilities to collaborate, communicate, influence and lead.

Some of the highlights

- Completing a challenging four-day outdoor leadership experience in the mountains outside of Canberra
- Travelling to Young, NSW to engage in a panel discussion with local regional and community leaders
- Visiting Bowylie Station in Gundaroo, NSW
- Meeting a range of influential and established leaders
- Participating in sessions to set a vision for future leadership.

Participants of this year's program

Name	Sponsor
Rob Arnts	Australian Honeybee Industry Council
Jeff Bourke	Australian Honeybee Industry Council
Tristan Campbell	Australian Honeybee Industry Council
Nicola Cottee	Cotton Research and Development Corporation
Benjamin Fleay	Australian Honeybee Industry Council
Stephen Foster	Torres Strait Regional Authority
Sarah Green	Goat Industry Council of Australia
Thomas Green	Australian Lot Feeders' Association
Joshua Kennett	Australian Honeybee Industry Council
Holly Ludeman	Australian Live Exporters' Council
Susan Maas	Cotton Research and Development Corporation
Olivia McFarlane	NAB
Kate Plush	Sunpork
Nancy Pratt	Goat Industry Council of Australia
Courtney Ramsey	Grains Research and Development Corporation
Michael Rollin	NSW Department of Primary Industries
Mathew Welch	Australian Honeybee Industry Council

“The program took me out of my comfort zone and challenged me in many ways. I believe the knowledge and skills I have gained I will use in both professional and personal life. I will try to become the leader I know I can be and inspire my community”

**Stephen Foster, sponsored by the
Torres Strait Regional Authority**

“Loved it. Concepts and tools that are relevant to my work and self. A great group of people!”

**Nicola Cottee, sponsored by the
Cotton Research and Development Corporation**

“I have learnt a lot and am very grateful for the opportunity”

**Joshua Kennett, sponsored by the
Australian Honeybee Industry Council**