



## Future grain leaders line up

CHAIR of the Coonamble Farmers Cooperative James Nalder has been selected to take part in the inaugural Australian Future Grain Leaders Program.

Grain Growers Association (GGA) last week announced the 15 future grain leaders who will participate in the program.

Participants were selected by an industry leadership panel and included growers, Traders, Researchers, consultants, and Agribusiness representatives.

During the upcoming months of activity, the future grain leaders will visit with industry leaders, tour successful businesses, meet leading entrepreneurs and hear the latest in research.

They will also receive communication, media, advocacy and management training, meet with the executive of GGA and learn from each other through structured teleconference and online networking activities.

The cornerstone of this program, which sets it apart from others,

is that it supports leadership in action, with participants setting their own integrated industry leadership project to work towards.

Projects include gaining a grain industry board position, influencing industry development, increasing active involvement in industry groups, identifying different asset management models, increasing the take up of research, integrating young people into the industry and improving enterprise and industry communication.

GGA Chairman John Eastburn said the chosen group has already demonstrated their leadership potential by nominating and agreeing to participate in this unique program.

"These 14 future leaders will have a tremendous opportunity to develop their leadership skills and gain a better understanding of the Australian grains industry.

"The demand for well trained, effective leadership in our industry has never been more critical," Mr Eastburn said.