**Grower Member Nominations Received**

### QSL MILL MEMBERS
- Mills owned by Mackay Sugar Ltd
- Mills owned by MSF Sugar
- Mills owned by Wilmar
- Mills owned by Isis Central Sugar Mill
- Mills owned by Bundaberg Sugar
- Mills owned by COFCO
- Mills owned by WH Heck and Sons
- Mills owned by Far Northern Milling
  Sugarcane areas

### Region | Mill Area | Grower Nominations Received | Grower Member positions available (23)
---|---|---|---
Mossman | Mossman Mill | Vote to be held: Gerard Puglisi and Rodney Rasmussen | 1
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Tableland | Tableland Mill | Vote to be held: Trevor Adi and Nirmal Chohan | 1
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Mulgrave | Mulgrave Mill | Jeffrey Day | 1
Northern Region | South Johnstone Mill | Barry Stubbs | 1
Tully | Tully Mill | Thomas Hamey | 1
Herbert River | Victoria and Macknade mills | Vote to be held: Jeffrey Cantamessa, William (Robert) Lyon, Vince Russo and Steven Marbella | 2
Burdekin | Kalamia, Invicta, Pioneer and Inkerman mills | Vote to be held: Roger Piva, Mark Vass, Dean Sgroi, Denis Pozzebon and Russell Jordan | 4
Proserpine | Proserpine Mill | Peter Quod | 1
Mackay/Central Region | Farleigh, Marian and Racecourse mills | Vote to be held: Colin Stephen, Warwick Volkers, Vicki Bugaje, Manuel Tomerini, Frank Perna, Tony Ross, Greg Plath | 3
Plane Creek | Plane Creek Mill | Vote to be held: Bryce Jackson, Kevin Borg, Hayden Swan | 1
Southern | Bingera and Millaquin mills | Allan Dingie and Mark Pressler | 2
Isis | Isis Mill | Peter McLennan | 1
Maryborough | Maryborough Mill | Jeffrey Atkinson | 1
Rocky Point | Rock Point Mill | Greg Zipf | 1

Note: CANEGROWERS and ACFA each occupy one Grower Representative Member position (2)

Election to be held due to higher number of nominees than positions available.

Note: Grower Representatives will be declared after the completion of the election process (voting closing date is 5pm Friday 17 July 2020). Results will be declared in early to mid-August after votes have been checked and counted by an independent scrutineer. Until such time, current QSL Grower Representatives remain in their positions.
**Voting process**

**Which areas have received more nominations than positions vacant and now proceed to a voting process?**
We have received more nominations than positions available in the **Burdekin** (Kalamia, Invicta, Pioneer and Inkerman), **Tablelands, Plane Creek, Central (Mackay)** – Farleigh, Marian and Racecourse), **Herbert River** (Victoria and Macknade) and **Mossman** regions. This means we are now required to conduct elections in these regions.

In other regions, we have received the same number of nominations equal to the number of positions available and therefore no voting process is required to be held.

**Who can vote?**
To vote for a grower representative for your mill area, you must be a sugar cane grower who supplies sugar cane under contract to a mill in your mill area.

**When do votes have to be submitted by?**
Signed and properly completed voting papers must be **received** by QSL no later than **5pm QLD time on Friday 17 July 2020**.

**What if I live in one mill area but supply sugar cane under contract to a mill in a different mill area?**
You must vote for a representative for the mill area in which the mill that you have a cane supply agreement is situated. For example, if you have a contract to supply sugar cane to a mill in the Herbert River Region, then you can only vote for the grower representative nominees for the Herbert River Region (Victoria and Macknade mill areas).

**If I own more than one farm, how many votes do I get?**
You have **one vote** only. Every sugar cane grower who supplies sugar cane under contract to a mill in your area has only one vote. It does not matter how many farms you own.

**If both my husband/wife and I own a farm, do we each get a vote?**
Yes, you each get a vote – one vote per grower.

**I have several ABNs. Do I get a vote for each?**
No, you only get one vote.

**If I have more than one cane supply agreement, do I get more than one vote?**
No, you only get one vote.

**If I am a nominee in a voting area, can I vote for myself?**
Yes, you may vote for any one of the nominees that are up for election in your mill area.

**Do I need to be a member of an industry organisation such as CANEGROWERS or ACFA to vote?**
No, you do not need to be a member or affiliate of an industry organisation to vote.

**How are votes counted?**
The votes will be reviewed, checked to determine the eligibility of the voter, and then counted in the presence of an independent scrutineer. This can be a time consuming process, depending on how many votes are received.

**When will the QSL Grower Representative Members be appointed?**
Once the elections have closed (5pm QLD time, Friday 17 June 2020) and the votes have been counted, an announcement will be made in early to mid-August declaring all QSL Grower Representative Members. All Grower Representative Members will be appointed prior to the QSL Annual General Meeting due to be held on 23 October 2020, so that they can attend that AGM.
General

What is the role of the QSL Grower Representative Member?
QSL Grower Representative Members are the voice of cane growers from across the state. Grower Representative Members represent the growers located in their local mill area. They are called upon to vote on key matters of importance at QSL general meetings, including the Annual General Meeting (AGM). In addition, Grower Representative Members are a vital communication link between QSL and growers throughout Queensland. They are in a position to provide direct feedback to QSL on behalf of growers in their region, and also share QSL updates and information with these growers.

How many QSL Grower Representative Member positions are there?
There are a total of 23 QSL Grower Representative Members, which also includes a representative from CANEGROWERS QLD and the Australian Cane Farmers Association (ACFA).

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How long is the Grower Representative Member term?
QSL Grower Representative Members hold their position for three years. To date, QSL has held a total of five Grower Member elections; 2005, 2008, 2011, 2014 and 2017. The 2020 Grower Member election process is being held now.

What if the successful nominee can’t see out their term?
While we prefer that Grower Members see out the full term, from time to time it is necessary for a Grower Representative Member to resign from the position due to exceptional circumstances. If this happens, the Chairman of QSL, after consulting with CANEGROWERS QLD and ACFA, may appoint a grower from the relevant mill area to fill a casual vacancy until the next election is due to take place.

Is there any remuneration involved with this position?
There is no remuneration paid for this role. However, reasonable travel expenses will be covered.

Do Grower Representative Members have input into the day-to-day running of QSL?
No, Grower Representative Members do not have input into the day-to-day running of QSL. However, we do welcome their feedback. QSL is owned by the industry and has a membership which is structured to have equal representation between growers and millers. Therefore, Grower Representative Members have voting rights at the AGM and other special general meetings as they are called.
QSL Grower Representative Members
Frequently Asked Questions

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What sort of time commitment is involved?
Grower Representative Members are expected to attend the QSL AGM and other special meetings as they are called, however they may send a proxy on their behalf if they are unable to attend. QSL also endeavours to hold four Grower Member workshops each year, usually in Brisbane. Again, if a Grower Representative Member is unable to attend, they may send a proxy. At a local level, our Grower Representative Members are encouraged to meet regularly with local QSL personnel for briefings and to ensure their feedback is incorporated into local engagement activities.

How do Grower Representative Members make the most of their role?
As the voice of growers, QSL wants to hear from Grower Representative Members. To make the most of their role, they are encouraged to:

- Keep connected to their local QSL Grower Services Team and provide feedback to QSL.
- Keep informed by reading QSL’s weekly updates, news stories and other information.
- Attend the events that QSL holds in their area and the specific workshops hosted for Grower Representative Members.
- Share their understanding of QSL and the value it provides to the industry with others.

What benefits are there in being a Grower Representative Member?
QSL Grower Representative Members are the voice of cane growers from across the state. As a conduit between QSL and the industry it serves, you have a unique opportunity to contribute to the Queensland sugar industry.

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When will Grower Representative Members be appointed?
QSL is working towards having all Members appointed prior to the QSL Annual General Meeting due to be held on 23 October 2020. The intention is for the newly appointed Grower Representative Members to attend the 2020 AGM.

I have some questions about the role/the voting process. Is there someone I can speak to about this?
Your local QSL representative can help with any questions you may have, or you can contact Cathy Kelly on 0409 285 074.