



**GROWER  
MEMBERSHIP  
PACKAGE**

*Growing together*



# VOICE FOR GROWERS

Fruit Growers Victoria Limited (FGV) provides a voice for growers, packers and exporting businesses across the North-East, Central and Southern growing regions of Victoria including the Goulburn Valley, Yarra Valley, Gippsland, Mornington Peninsula, Central Highlands and High Country.

Together, we are working towards a sustainable future for fruit growers and the horticulture industry across Victoria.



## FRUIT GROWN IN VICTORIA

*Hort Innovation: Australian Horticulture Statistics Handbook - Fruit 2020/21*

# OUR TEAM

**FGV is a not-for-profit, unlisted public company which means we work for our members.**

FGV is controlled by its Board of Directors (list can be found [here](#)) whose role is to provide good governance, determine policy and provide direction to the Operations Committee. Board Directors are elected by FGV members annually for 3 year terms with staggered retirement by rotation. Retiring directors may renominate.

The day-to-day running of the business is managed by our Operations Committee, appointed by the Board who adhere to the direction and policies in accordance to the vision of the Board.

### Current portfolios for FGV Board Members are:

- Harvest & Production
- Packing & Storage
- Canning Fruit
- Water
- Education, Training, Research & Development
- Membership
- Emerging Leaders
- IPDM
- Audit Committee
- Strategic Planning
- Market Sales – Domestic & Import/Export Market & Sales
- Industrial Relations and Industry Liaison (VFF)

# MEMBER BENEFITS

Becoming a member of FGV means you will join part of a highly regarded industry organisation. FGV acts on behalf of all members which results in greater power and influence with experience in dealing with unions, the media, government and industry bodies. Industry benefits by avoiding a fragmented approach and by presenting a united voice.

**The five pillars of benefits exclusive to FGV members are:**



## EMPLOYMENT

- Piecework Picking Rates Card, compiled each season
- Employer and employee Piecework Agreement Template



## COMMUNICATION

- Fortnightly newsletter, Corefacts
- Dissemination of grants & programs
- Key issue alerts

- Industry events & education sessions
- Grower 'good news' stories & advice
- Student internship opportunities
- Updates on Industrial & Workplace Relations Issues



## NETWORKING

- Priority invitations to all industry events & workshops
- Discounted tickets to selected events including FGV Bi-annual conference
- Tailored programs designed to suit your needs

- Technical information sessions (chemical, pest & disease), IPDM
- Yearly Northern & Southern season in review
- Tailored business planning
- Annual AGM
- Industry stakeholder events
- Emerging Leaders events & trips



## AGRONOMY

- Expert on-site agronomist support (up to 10hrs\*)
- Maturity testing
- 50% off Grow Fruit App fee

- Assistance with Grow Fruit App
- Orchard productivity
- Tailored pest & disease management training including Scout & IPDM training\*\*
- Weekly SMS technical updates, pest & disease



## ADVOCACY

- Queensland Fruit Fly
- Water
- Legislation
- Compliance & red-tape issues
- Federal & State funding

- Programs and other issues that impact the Horticulture sector
- National, State & Local Government representation
- Biosecurity
- Pest & Disease Issues
- Market Access

\* Hours per year based on farm size: Large 41+ ha (10 hrs), medium 11-40 ha (8 hrs), small 0-10 ha (5 hrs). Once allocated member hours for Grower Services has been exceeded, a fee of \$85 +GST per hour will be charged.

\*\* Fee for service will be charged for Scout & IPM training after exceeding your allocation of Growers Services Hours.



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