



In The Field

News for Victorian Vegetable Growers



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Vic Grower Wins Nuffield Scholarship

The Vegetable Growers Association of Victoria would like to congratulate **Emma Germano**, vegetable grower from Mirboo North in Victoria, on being awarded a prestigious **Nuffield Scholarship** last week in Perth.

Emma is Business Development and Operations Manager for 'Germano Produce', a family business supplying cauliflower and cabbage crops for the Australian eastern seaboard fresh market and Woolworths Australia.

Emma will research global export opportunities for vegetables and other primary produce. She plans to visit Europe, Israel, Brazil and China to complete her studies.

She will also research how different countries approach the issue of export, including what government programs are available to growers, as well as the market opportunities for Australian produce.

"I expect this will involve the study of tariffs and free trade agreements, and also how subsidies have an effect on global trade – to complement this, I would also like to investigate how Australia is able to compete in the global food market," she explains.



Emma on the family farm

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"HAL is a proud supporter of the Nuffield Scholarship program. This program provides the forward thinking leaders of our industry a strong foundation to achieve their research endeavours," Mr Lloyd, HAL CEO said.

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