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Brisbane teachers swap their chalk for cheese

Brisbane teachers are swapping their chalk for cheese this week at the hugely popular RNA Dairy Australia Teachers' Cheese Making Workshops which are back for their fifth year in 2014.

Teachers from across southern Queensland will participate in the internationally-awarded workshops which start today with some traveling more than 200km to attend.

Cheese connoisseur Russell Smith, who is Chief Judge of the Dairy Produce Show at the Royal Queensland Food and Wine Show (RQFWS), will be sharing his vast knowledge with keen teachers.

The promising cheese makers will learn all the secrets to making the perfect cheese, which they then pass on to their students in the classroom. Since the 2010 inception of the workshops over 2500 students have learnt how to make cheese.

These innovative workshops educate teachers on how to make blue and camembert cheeses to suit all taste buds, whether it's a sharp, strong blue or subtle camembert.

Local milk producer Farmer Greg "Greggie" Dennis, from the Scenic Rim Robotic Dairy, is supplying milk for the workshops directly from his farm. He will also provide an insight into the Australian Dairy Industry as well as the practices at his robotic dairy farm.

RNA Chief Executive Brendan Christou says it's an invaluable workshop that greatly benefits both those from the country and city.

"These award-winning workshops play an important role in educating teachers and therefore educating students from across Queensland about the dairy industry and dairy practices," he said.

The workshops will be held at the Brisbane Showgrounds all this week. Each workshop will run for approximately six hours. The workshops include a mix of theory and hands-on practical work.

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Workshop Details

When: 8:30am – 3pm, Monday 17th – Friday 21st February, 2014

Where: Auditorium, Brisbane Showgrounds – 600 Gregory Terrace, Bowen Hills, QLD

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