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## Nuffield scholars to discuss latest farming know-how

Organic lamb markets and efficient water use in irrigation will be among the topics presented by Nuffield Scholars during this year's Nuffield Australia Autumn Tour, held on South Australia's Eyre Peninsula from 15-18 March 2007.

The annual tour, which has been running for 25 years, gives returning Nuffield Scholars an opportunity to talk about the farm practices they studied while overseas on their scholarships.

Nuffield Australia awards scholarships each year to Australian farmers. The scholarship recipients have the opportunity to increase their practical farming knowledge, management skills and techniques by studying farming practices in Europe, Asia, North America and other countries.

The Autumn Tour attracts participants from across Australia. This year's attendees will hear returning Scholars present on whether aerobic rice can work for Australia's rice industry, closed plant production systems, farm-supplied renewable energy – with a focus on the biodiesel industry and adding value to commodities such as grain produce by providing branded or traceable products.

As well as the presentations, the Autumn Tour will offer participants a look at agriculture and aquaculture on the lower Eyre Peninsula as well as local attractions such as Whalers Way and Boston Bay Winery.

Nuffield Australia CEO Mr. Jim Geltch said the tour was an opportunity for people to be introduced to Nuffield Australia as well as hear what the scholars learnt while overseas.

"It presents an opportunity to see and hear firsthand, from people who have traveled overseas, about the latest farming technologies and issues surrounding global agriculture," he said.

Tour organiser Mr. Peter Treloar said the Scholars' presentations would cater to interests ranging across all of agriculture. Other tour highlights would include a presentation by the South Australian Director of the Future Farmers Network and a boat trip to the tuna farms, he said.

The Nuffield Autumn Tour is sponsored by Ausplow, Australian Wool Innovation Limited, the Future Farmers Network, Grain & Graze, Nufarm, ABB and Eyre Travel.

The returning Scholars presenting at the tour are sponsored by the Grains Research and Development Corporation, Sidney Myer Fund, Rabobank, Meat and Livestock Australia and the Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation.

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