2019 BetterBeef and BestWool/BestLamb Conference

Full Program

BetterBeef Conference. Tuesday 18 June 2019

Plenary keynote sessions

- Beef farming in Australia: Barriers and opportunities. Danny Thomas, CBRE Agribusiness
- Running a profitable and sustainable beef business. Frank Archer, Landfall Angus.
- Innovation in your beef business. Michael Crowley, Meat and Livestock Australia.
- Challenges for the Australian beef industry a veterinary perspective. Dr lan Bradshaw, President Australian Cattle Vets.

Concurrent sessions. Two blocks of four presentations. Choose two from each block.

Block 1

- **Improving winter pasture production.** James Sewell, Meridian Agriculture.
- The management of trace elements in cattle: sorting fact from fiction. John Webb Ware, Mackinnon Project.
- **Producer panel:**-Quality assurance programs and the value of benchmarking.
- What makes a quality beef product. Mark Inglis. JBS Australia.

Block 2

- What does a fertile herd look like? Shane Thomson, Holbrook Vet Centre.
- **Producer panel:**-Quality assurance programs and the value of benchmarking.
- Integration of cropping as a pasture management tool. Cam Nicholson, Nicon Rural.
- Value and benefits of a breeding objective. Jason Trompf, JT Agri-Source.

BestWool/BestLamb (BWBL) conference. Wednesday 19 June 2019

Plenary keynote sessions

- Building the business, resilience in tough times. Greg and Jo Bear, Canary Island.
- From 100% to 130% the New Zealand experience. Paul Kenyon, Massey University, New Zealand.
- Integrating technology in a sheep production system. Scott Nicholson, Nuffield Scholar.
- Driving demand and innovative research in wool. Colette Garnsey, Australian Wool Innovation (AWI) Chair
- Risk verses reward. Cam Nicholson, Nicon Rural.

Concurrent sessions. Two blocks of four presentations. Choose two from each block.

- Block 1
- Harnessing value in the lamb supply chain. Michael Crowley, Meat and Livestock Australia.
- The value of grazing weeds. Cam Nicholson, Nicon Rural.
- Assessing the value of maternal genetics (on farm trial results). John Young and Jason Trompf, JT Agri-Source.
- Merino Lifetime Productivity project. Anne Ramsey, National Project Manager.

Block 1

- The drivers of triplet ewe and lamb performance. Paul Kenyon, Massey University, New Zealand.
- The impacts of lambing density. Jason Trompf, JT Agri-Source.
- Economics of Autumn Saving. Andrew Whale, Livestock Logic.
- Using soil moisture and temperature data for optimising winter growth. Lisa Warn, Lisa Warn Ag Consulting

Conference Dinner. Tuesday 18 June

Where: All Seasons Bendigo, 171 McIvor Highway Bendigo. Time: Pre-dinner drinks from 6.30pm.

Cost: \$70.

Guest Speaker: Peter Davidson.

To see the full conference programs, go to tinyurl.com/BWBL-BBN19