

# Pasture update

**Yundi Hall, Mt Compass, Fleurieu Peninsula**

**Tuesday 21 November 2017**

**1.00 – 5.30 pm with BBQ to follow**

**MLA and the Grassland Society of Southern Australia, together with Fleurieu Beef Group and Fleurieu Forward Farming Group, are bringing together a range of speakers to present up-to-date research topics at an MLA Pasture Update.**

Speaker	Topics
<b>Professor Wayne Pitchford</b> , Professor of Animal Breeding and Genetics, University of Adelaide	Two local case studies using EBVs to discover opportunities to maximise productivity in a commercial grassfed beef herd
Five minute snapshots of five animal science student post-graduate degree projects related to pastures and beef production:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• public attitudes to animal welfare – Emily Buddle, PhD student</li> <li>• handling pasture finished cattle in Lairage – Farrah Preston, PhD student</li> <li>• modelling nutrient requirements for finishing grassfed steers – Curtis Vilani, Honours student</li> <li>• carcass pricing feedback to producers – Chloe Trotta, Honours student</li> <li>• genomic selection in Waygu cattle – Rudi McEwin, PhD student</li> </ul>	
<b>Melissa Rebbeck</b> , consultant, climate and agricultural support and <b>Greg Butler</b> , consultant soil and soil biology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key pasture productivity results from local soil health trial sites on acid sandy soils</li> <li>• Retaining soil moisture and nutrients in sandy soils.</li> </ul>
<b>David Brown</b> , consultant, Holmes Sackett, Wagga Wagga	Beef business profit drivers
MLA speaker (TBA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MLA's sustainable feedbase R&amp;D outcomes</li> <li>• Handy tools and resources from MLA.</li> </ul>
<b>Melissa Rebbeck</b> and <b>Greg Butler</b> , consultants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Farm walk to local beef producer Geoff Bowles' property with a pasture/soils/biochar focus</li> <li>• Assess pasture quality (and quantity) for growing beef weaners</li> <li>• Inspect soil structure and soil profile with different soil treatments.</li> </ul>

# Registration form - Fleurieu

Registrations by 17 November

Company name: .....

Name: .....

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**Time:** 1.30pm – 5.30pm

**Venue:** Yundi Hall, Mt Compass, Fleurieu Peninsula

**Admission:** \$20.00 (GSSA and MLA members); \$30.00 (non-members)  
(includes afternoon tea and BBQ and drinks to follow)

**RSVP:** Friday 17 November 2017 to

GSSA Secretary Melinda Caspersz 1300 137 550 [office@grasslands.org.au](mailto:office@grasslands.org.au)



**Further information:** Contact GSSA Organiser Tim Prance 0427 812 655

**Registration:** Complete the registration form and send as per contact details or submit with payment on the day



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