

## Barkly BeefUp Forum – Mon 24 July 2023

## Herd Management Forum – Tues 25 & Wed 26 July 2023

**Venue:** AACo Brunette Downs Station

Sunday 23 July - BBQ and networking drinks from 6.30pm

**Details** Monday 24 July - BeefUp Forum & dinner

Tuesday 25 and Wednesday 26 July – Herd Management Forum (2 days)

**BeefUp - MLA members \$25. Non-members \$50.**

*Includes the BeefUp forum and field trip, plus all meals on 23- 24 July.*

**Cost:** **Combined ticket: BeefUp & Herd Management forum - \$150.**

*Includes all of the above, plus a subsidised Grazing Fundamentals EDGE workshop, training in best practice cattle management, understanding business finance and more, as well as all meals on 25-26 July.*

BYO: Camping gear and personal items.

**Register:** [mla.com.au/beefup](http://mla.com.au/beefup)

**RSVP:** Friday 14 July 2023

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Join us for the Barkly Region BeefUp forum and the biannual Herd Managers Forum. Tickets are available for both events separately or as a combined offering.

The BeefUp forum will present the latest in local and world-leading research and technologies for the northern beef industry.

### The Barkly BeefUp program will cover:

- MLA RD&A update and market insights.
- Innovation and future agtech
- Profitable businesses in the Barkly – what drives business performance
- The latest research in disease, genetics and breeder herd improvement
- Property paddock tour

### The Herd Management Forum will take place over two days and will cover:

- Understanding practical finance in the business
  - Biosecurity Introduction – Current risks, paperwork and trucking requirements
  - Grazing Fundamentals EDGE workshop
  - And more!
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## Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

### Arrival Day

12noon onwards	Arrive at Brunette Downs. Check in and induction. Set up camp site.
5.30pm – 7.30pm	Casual BBQ and drinks

## Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July – BeefUp Forum

### 07.00am Breakfast and registration

08.00am Opening Emcee / Master of Ceremonies

08.30am Welcome from AACo. (10 mins) Cheyne Williams, AACo

8.40am RBRC Welcome Matthew Barrett – BRAC

08.45am MLA RD&A and market update Sally Leigo, Program Manager – Adoption - Meat & Livestock Australia (20 mins) plus 10 mins Q&A

09.15am NT DITT Barkly region update Tim Schatz, Northern Territory Government (15 mins) Projects in the region

09.30am – Paddock Power: understanding cost of development against production Dionne Walsh – GIS mapping, cost benefit tool, paddock power 30 mins + 10 mins Q&A  
Producer experience (10 mins)

### 10.10am Morning tea (30 mins)

10.40am The Northern Beef Report - insights on the profit drivers of Barkly businesses Michael Wellington – Bush Agribusiness (40 mins) + 10 mins Q&A

**Facilitator:** Claire Mahony, Head of New Ventures and Innovation - AACo

11.30am AgTech in action

**Australian Feedbase Monitor** - Phil Tickle – CiboLabs

**Immersive technologies** – Kat Bidstrup and Tim Gentle - ThinkDigital

**eNVD and integrity systems** – Renelle Jeffrey, ISC

Facilitator: Claire Mahony

12:30pm AgTech, where to next?

**Where could your technology go in the future?**

Panel discussion.

12.55pm MC wrap-up Field trip instructions

1.10pm Lunch (1 hour)

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2.10pm AACo & MLA 'Horns and Health' project overview Matt Kelly Senior Research Analyst, AACo

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Paddock tour

**Michael McGowan, Professor Livestock Medicine - The University of Queensland**

Bull assessment, disease testing, visual assessment and crush side semen test, reproductive diseases, UQ PCR testing, development of vaccines

**Field demonstrations**

Mark Peart - uDose (DIT AgTech)

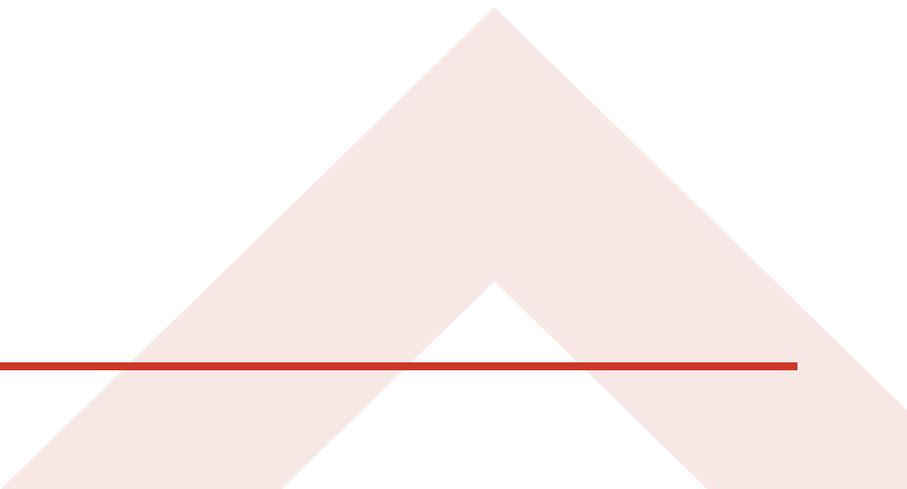
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5.00pm Return from Paddock Tour

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6.00pm Dinner

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## Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Barkly Herd Management Forum

<b>08.00am</b>	<b>Welcome and intro</b> Eleanor Fordyce – Facilitator
	<b>Understanding practical finance in the business</b> Michael Wellington, Bush Agribusiness.
<b>08.30am</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reading spreadsheets</li> <li>- Practical application of financial skills</li> <li>- How you manage financial investment over the long term</li> </ul>
<b>09.30am</b>	<b>Introduction to biosecurity</b> – Current risks, paperwork and trucking requirements Hayley Bennett, DITT
<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Morning Tea</b>
<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Best Practice Cattle Management</b> Toby Wass, Wass Veterinary Services
<b>12.30pm</b>	<b>Lunch (30mins)</b>
<b>1.00pm</b>	<b>Post mortem activity</b> Toby Wass
<b>3.00pm</b>	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
<b>3.30pm</b>	<b>Grazing Fundamentals EDGE</b> Dionne Walsh
<b>5.30pm</b>	End of the day

## Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>

<b>07.00am</b>	Grazing Fundamentals EDGE Dionne Walsh
<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Smoko</b>
<b>10.30am</b>	Grazing Fundamentals EDGE Dionne Walsh
<b>12.00pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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2.30pm

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