



Becoming a Nudie

The pros and cons of switching to shedding sheep FREE ONE - DAY EVENTS

Meridian Agriculture is hosting a free event on behalf of Cashmore Park, titled "Becoming a Nudie". Presenting the economics of shedding sheep versus Maternals, making the transition whilst retaining profit-driving traits for fitness and meat production, understanding feed efficiency to improve ewe performance, and its benefit in reducing a farm's carbon footprint.

The speakers for the event include:

Speakers:

Bryony Fitzgerald - CGM Advisory Pty Ltd

- Economics of Shedders vs Maternal
- Transition from Maternal to shedding sheep
- Transition timeline, effects
- Accelerated program
- What the bottom line looks like in each

John Keiller - Cashmore Park

- Shedding Scores and how it works, time of shedding, what to be aware of
- Transitioning to Nudies, what do you want to achieve and the ways to get there
- Data collection process for Nudies - Animal Genetics and Breeding Unit (AGBU) project

David Packer (Hamilton) - Program Manager Meat Standards Australia, MLA

Peter McGilchrist (Wagga) - Senior lecturer in Meat Science, UNE

- Meat eating quality parameters,
- What are the benchmarks for marbling/shear force for market acceptance
- What a kill sheet looks like when Marbling and lean Meat yield are included
- Linking to ASBV's so you are ready

Sam Walkom (Hamilton) & Daniel Brown (Wagga) - (AGBU), UNE

- Ewe efficiency concept
- Ewe weight, turn off lamb % and growth, lambing as ewe lambs
- Net feed intake and Emission breeding values as tools in the future
- Know your carbon Footprint
- Genomics where are the opportunities

Peta Bradley - Manager of Sheep Genetics, MLA

- Transition of new genetics, things to be aware of
- Net Feed Intake measurements and relationship to reducing methane production
- Portable trailers to measure methane production in Stud Flocks - where MLA plans this to go?

EVENT DETAILS

Hamilton, Vic

When: 12 July 2023

Time: 10:00am - 4.00pm

Venue: Hamilton Showgrounds

RSVP: 10 July 2023

Wagga Wagga, NSW

When: 19 July 2023

Time: 10:00am - 4.00pm

Venue: Murrumbidgee Turf Club

RSVP: 14 July 2023

Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea provided

More info & Registration: Visit <https://meridian-ag.com.au/becoming-a-nudie/> for more information and to register (registration essential)

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