|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Georgetown, Tuesday 14 & Wednesday 15 June** | | | | | | | | |
| **Venue:** | Etheridge Shire Council Hall, 41 St George St, Georgetown QLD 4871 | | | | | | | |
| **Time:** | 09.30am – 5.30pm (Day 1 – Tue 14th)  6.30pm – 9.30pm (Dinner – Tue 14th)  08.00am – 12.30pm (Day 2 – Wed 15th) | | |  | |  | | |
| **Cost:** | MLA members $25. Non-members $50. Includes: Morning and afternoon teas, lunch and dinner. | | | | | | | |
| **Register:** | <https://www.mla.com.au/extension-training-and-tools/beefup-forums/> | | | | | | | |
| **RSVP:** | 6 June 2022 |  |  | |  | |  |  |

Join us for the Georgetown BeefUp forum to hear about the latest in local and world-leading research and technologies for the northern beef industry.

* Gain insights on improving livestock, land and business performance.
* Connect with other producers, advisors and researchers.
* Hear about how new practices and technologies are being used on-farm in your region.
* Find out about the programs, tools and resources available to you.

The Georgetown BeefUp program will include:

* Building a Resilient Beef Business
* Land Condition and Carrying Capacities
* Calf Mortality
* Carbon Farming
* Genetics & Breeder Management

**Agenda – Day 1**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Strategies for a Resilient Beef Business in the Northern Gulf** | |
| **Trade stands and registration** | *Registration and Exhibition Open* |
| **MLA Update** | Michael Cowley, Meat & Livestock Australia |
| **Productivity and profitability** | Dr. Maree Bowen, Principal Research Scientist, DAF |
| **Land Condition and Carrying Capacities** | |
| **Panel session** | Facilitator: Eiren Smith, RBRC Chair  Barry Hughes, Mayor of Etheridge Shire  Peter O’Reagain, Principal Scientist, DAF  Terry Beutel, Senior Scientist, DAF  Russel Lethbridge, Werrington Cattle Company |
| **The importance of P supplementation for productivity** | Tim Schatz, Principal Pastoral Production Research Officer, Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade NT |
| **Soil Extension Service** | |
| **Salubrious soils project – soil skills for improved productivity** | Niilo Gobius, Gulf Savannah NRM |
| **Lunch** | |
| **Priority Setting** | |
| **Producer perspective workshop** | Gus Rose, Program Manager – Consultation, MLA  Eiren Smith, RBRC Chair |
| **MLA Update: PDS opportunities in the region** | Michael Cowley, Meat & Livestock Australia |
| **Afternoon Tea** | |
| **Genetics & Breeder Management** | |
| **NB2 Project** | Lee Fitzpatrick, Chair, NB2 |
| **Making use of EBVs to improve the bottom line** | Tim Emery, Beef Extension Officer, Department of Agriculture and Fisheries |
| **Adaptation and Reproduction: Managing Key Drivers for Profitability** | Alf Collins, Owner, CBV Brahmans |
| **Networking Drinks** | |
| **Georgetown BeefUp Dinner** | |
| **Building a truly resilient legacy** | Trevor Farmer, Co-founder, Topcatz |

**Agenda – Day 2**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Calf Mortality** | |
| **Calf loss across northern**  **Australia** | Dr Kieren McCosker, Senior Research Fellow (QAAFI) |
| **Managing infectious and non-infectious causes of calf loss** | Professor Michael McGowan, Professor of Livestock Medicine, University of Queensland |
| **Morning Tea** | |
| **Leadership / relationship building** | |
| **“Soft Tools to Solve Hard Problems” – people building** | Julianne Cowan and Trevor Farmer, Co-founders, Topcatz |
| **Understanding Carbon** | |
| **Understanding carbon** | Richard Eckard, Professor, University of Melbourne |
| **CN30 Update** | Margaret Jewell, CN30 Manager, Meat & Livestock Australia |
| **How can graziers in Georgetown contribute to and benefit from carbon farming?** | Ronald Thompson, Director, Upscale Carbon |
| **Panel session** | Facilitator: Harriet Bawden, MLA  Margaret Jewell, CN30 Manager, Meat & Livestock Australia  Ronald Thompson, Director, Upscale Carbon |
| **Evaluations and closing remarks** | |
| **Lunch** | |