

Program

14 October 2026		
8:00am	Arrival and registrations, tea and coffee	
Session 1		
9:00am	Event welcome, housekeeping and Forum schedule Elizabeth Thelander – Meat & Livestock Australia	
9:10am	MLA welcome and update Sarah Strachan – Meat & Livestock Australia	
9:45am	Market Update Emiliano Diaz – Meat & Livestock Australia	
10:15am	Genetics, breeding and flock productivity Gordon Refshauge – SheepMetrix	
10:50am	Morning tea	
Session 2		
11:20am	Animal health update Aden Macdougall – Zoetis	
11:45am	Succession planning – panel session James Hamilton – Cultivate Advisory, Amy and Nick Mannion – Nundora Station, Erin and Sam Beven – Sturt’s Meadows Station	
12:45pm	Lunch	
Session 3		
1:45pm	Rangeland living skin project in focus Sarah McDonald – Department of Primary Industries	
Breakout sessions		
	Main room	Function room 2
2:15pm	Organic lamb – capturing value in premium markets Garry Hannigan – Churinga Station, Charlie Brandon – Hewitt’s Foods	Hints, tips and strategies for greater productivity James McClure – Netallie Station
2:45pm	Improving tactical decision making – gaining skills for better rangeland management Callen Thompson – AgSTAR, Christine Plummer – Local Land Services, Bree Wakefield – Banoon	Diversifying income through agritourism Sam Maiden – Mt Gipps Station
3:15pm	Afternoon tea	
Session 4		
3:45pm	Measured Goats project update Tom Granleese – Department of Primary Industries and Research Development	
4:20pm	Breeding the meat you want to eat – turning data into on-farm decisions Peter McGilchrist – University of New England	
Session 5		
5:00pm	Wrap-up Elizabeth Thelander Meat & Livestock Australia	
5:05pm	Networking, canapes and drinks	

