



Leading Sheep MeatUp Forum & Dinner

Longreach, Friday 25 March 2022

Venue Longreach Civic and Cultural Centre, 96a Eagle Street, Longreach

Time 8.00am – 5.00pm - Leading Sheep MeatUp Forum
from 6.30pm - Leading Sheep MeatUp Forum Dinner

Why should I attend?

- Hear about the latest, locally relevant on-farm research, development and adoption (RD&A)
- Hear from and network with leading producers, industry representatives, advisors and researchers
- Gain insights into tools and programs available as next steps to improve your business
- Identify opportunities to drive on-farm productivity and profitability.

About

Together, Leading Sheep and MeatUp bring you an event addressing key priorities for goat, sheepmeat and wool businesses.

Meat & Livestock Australia's MeatUp Forums provide an opportunity for beef, sheep and goat producers to learn something new, stay up to date with the latest on-farm research and technology and meet with others working in the red meat industry.

Leading Sheep is an important partnership between the Australian Wool Innovation (AWI) and the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, Queensland (DAF) and is a proactive network of Queensland sheep and wool businesses; at the forefront of practical and relevant information and technology to equip progressive and thriving producers for the future.

COVID-19 requirements

This event will be a COVID-19 safe event, therefore all participants must comply with Queensland Government requirements to be double vaccinated to attend, and mask wearing is mandatory.

Leading Sheep MeatUp Forum Dinner

The Leading Sheep North and Central Regional Committee welcomes all attendees to make a day of it by joining us for a two-course dinner and drinks, and to socialise with attendees and speakers. During the dinner, guest speaker, Dennis Hoiberg (Lessons Learnt Consulting) will entertain you with his lessons and experience on thriving through change.



Forum ticket:

- MLA Member \$25 GST inc or non-member \$50 GST inc (includes researchers, department staff, service providers and producers who are non-MLA members)

Dinner ticket:

- Dinner \$50 GST inc per person

To register, visit
mla.com.au/meatup

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Program - Longreach, 25 March 2022

Time	Session
8.00am	Registration desk opens, tea and coffee available
8.30am	Welcome and housekeeping Pinion Advisory
8.35am	MLA welcome and market update Michael Crowley, General Manager for Research Development and Adoption
9.00am	AWI wool industry update Emily King, Program Manager, Research and Extension
9.20am	How to improve sheep reproduction rates to increase productivity and profitability of your business Gordon Refshauge, NSW Department of Primary Industries
10.00am	MLA goat benchmarking report review John Francis, Agrista
10.40am	Morning tea
11.10am	Combining subjective and objective measurements to make informed decisions when investing in genetics Emma McCrabb, Sheep Genetics
11.40am	Maiden does may be the weak link to greater weaning rates Gordon Refshauge, NSW Department of Primary Industries
12.20pm	Diversification into agritourism David Counsell, Barcaldine
12.35pm	Lunch
1.35pm	Recruitment and retention in Western QLD Anna Cochrane, CPC
2.00pm	Equivalency of kangaroos, sheep, goats and cattle: what they eat, how much and implications for grazing management in a multi-species system Lester Pahl, Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries
2.40pm	Managing sheep feed intake and nutrition requirements from joining through to weaning Rob Inglis, Elders
3.15pm	Afternoon tea
3.30pm	Business management – what are the quantitative and qualitative costs to be aware of when investing in infrastructure? John Francis, Agrista
4.15pm	Goat and sheep market trends, risks and opportunities Tim McCrae, AuctionsPlus
4.50pm	Wrap up
5.00pm	Pre-dinner drinks - Longreach Civic Centre
6.30pm	Leading Sheep MeatUp Forum Dinner - Longreach Civic Centre
11.00pm	Close

* While we intend for this event to be primarily in-person, we continue to observe the current travel restrictions and health advice. The forum will run in accordance with State and Federal Government restrictions and advice. Seating plans, hygiene cleaning plans and hand sanitiser are in place to help you adhere to social distancing and hygiene guidelines. Participants will be required to provide phone contact details to MLA for contact tracing purposes if required. If you, or anyone you know, have been in contact with someone who has been asked to self-isolate or if you are feeling flu-like symptoms, please do not attend the forum. If circumstances require this event to be rescheduled, registrations (and any accompanying fees paid) will be transferred to the new date. In accordance with the MLA Terms and Conditions refund of registration fees will be paid to those unable to make the new date upon receipt of written notification of your inability to attend. If the event is cancelled, MLA will refund any registration fee you have paid. If there's any changes to COVID restrictions prior to the event that prevent any speaker from participating, a substitute speaker or topic may be included in the program without notice.