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## THE SHEEP INDUSTRY'S POPULAR SERIES OF FORUMS ARE BACK!

• Stockman's Hall of Fame, Longreach, QLD: Tuesday 21 August

- Tambo Shire Hall, Tambo, QLD Wednesday 22 August
- Mitchell Shire Hall, Mitchell, QLD: Thursday 23 August

## FEATURING GUEST SPEAKERS INCLUDING:



GEOFF LINDON Australian Wool Innovation Animal Welfare Market Signals and Non-Mules Case Study



BRECKEN CURTIS Sprout Agribusiness Making Sustainable Financing Choices



ANDREA MCKENZIE QLD Department of Agriculture & Fisheries Securing Your Flock Health



HAMISH CHANDLER Meat & Livestock Australia Sire Selection – Minimum Effort, Maximum Return

Registration for the half-day forum opens from 8.30am, the forum starts at 9am and finishes at 12.40pm, followed by informal lunch with speakers. Cost is \$35 per person, including forum booklet and all catering.

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TIME	ΤΟΡΙϹ	SPEAKER
8:30	Registration	
9:00	<b>Introduction (Chair) inc. Meat &amp; Wool Outlook</b> Ted will chair the forum and provide a brief insight into the market outlook for both the sheepmeat and wool sectors.	<b>Ted Parish</b> MLA, Program Manager - Adoption, Brisbane, QLD
9:20	<b>Animal Welfare Market Signals and Non-Mules Case Study</b> Australia is the world's largest exporter of non-mulesed wool, but it still accounts for less than 10% of the national clip. Geoff will showcase successful strategies for moving to a non-mulesed flock. In addition, he will discuss pain relief options for those who continue to mules, provide some insight into current wool market signals and confirm the importance of completing the National Wool Declaration.	<b>Geoff Lindon</b> AWI, Program Manager, Genetics & Animal Welfare Advocacy, Wagga Wagga, NSW
10:00	<b>Sire Selection – Minimum Effort, Maximum Return</b> Hamish will discuss the value proposition of using ASBVs when selecting replacement sires in both meat sheep and Merino flocks and highlight some of the new tools that are available to aid selection. Visual selection will always be important, and Hamish will also step through how to combine both visually and objectively measured traits into your breeding program.	<b>Hamish Chandler</b> MLA, Program Manager - Genetics, Armidale, NSW
10:40	COFFEE BREAK	
11:10	<b>Securing Your Flock Health</b> Best practice sheep health management programs are easily justified in times of high commodity prices. Andrea will discuss locally significant conditions as well as highlighting some of the opportunities for enhanced biosecurity that exclusion fences potentially offer. She will also remind producers of the importance of fully understanding the health status of introduced sheep and provide some tips to make biosecurity work for your situation.	<b>Andrea McKenzie</b> DAF, Beef and Sheep Extension Officer, Charleville, QLD
11:50	<b>Making Sustainable Financing Choices</b> A sound, sustainable restocking strategy is the biggest production decision most graziers in western QLD will make in the coming years. The impact of these decisions will be felt in the business for at least the next decade. Knowing that at some point the season will break, Brecken sees it as critical that producers are financially prepared for the opportunities that will arise and have the information to make sound choices about financing restocking in a sustainable way.	<b>Brecken Curtis</b> Sprout Agribusiness, Managing Partner, Longreach QLD
12:30	Closing Comments	<b>Ted Parish</b> MLA, Program Manager - Adoption, Brisbane, QLD
12:40	LUNCH	
1:40	FINISH	