

## MLA Pasture Updates 2016

Pasture Updates are heading for the regions again, for the fourth year in a row courtesy of Meat and Livestock Australia and Evergreen Farming. A one-stop information session for producers and anyone involved in the pastures and livestock sector in WA.

And what a line up there is to be seen in **Manjimup (Tuesday 2 August) and Walkaway (Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> August)** with a mixture of a paddock walks and indoor sessions. Paddock walks will be a mixture of producer groups trials and farmers having a go with their own gear in their own paddocks with some interesting results. Then indoors will be down to the theory of what is out there now and what other farmers are doing in a practical sense. The highly rated Farmer Panel returns again, as nothing better than farmers hearing what other farmers are doing on their place, sharing the highs and lows of the season.

This year sees Leon Quilliam coming over from Tasmania to share what he has been doing on this place with his beef production system, most notably getting 2000kg liveweight gain on his cattle! With vast knowledge and experience across animal production systems in southern Australia, it was hard to work out which area of his business to have Leon share with our WA producers, so we thought we would start with this one! In addition to hearing from an interstate farmer, there will be plenty of WA speakers on the programme as well, covering off on the myriad of options out there for not only growing the feed, but utilising it and turning it into a saleable product like meat or wool.

Manjimup will feature (in addition to field walks and Leon Quilliam)

- Irrigated pastures – is it worth it?
- Pasture varieties for the region
- Lamb survival science and strategies
- Using technology to match pastures to animals
- What farmers in this region are doing this season on their place

Walkaway will feature (in addition to field walks and Leon Quilliam)

- The latest and greatest in Panic
- Lamb survival science and strategies
- Getting the mix right in a mixed system – farmer and researcher perspectives
- What farmers in this region are doing this season on their place
- R&D to help your production system and bottom line

Both days will have registrations starting at 9.30 with the days beginning at 10am. RSVP's crucial for catering and bus requirements. Field day starting points to be advised on RSVP.

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