

# FACE OF FUTURE FARMING WORKSHOP

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THURSDAY 30 JULY 2009 FRIDAY 31 JULY 2009

Deakin Management Centre Pigdons Lane, Waurn Ponds Geelong, Victoria 3220

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THURS	SDAY 30 JULY : COMMENCING AT 2.15 PM
• • • • • • • •	Convenor: <b>Hamish McFarlane</b>
2.15 pm	Registration and Afternoon tea
3 pm	Small group workshops with Team Te Mania consultants, (6 x 20 mins)
	<ul> <li>Union rules for bulls – an enterprise agreement for working bulls:</li> <li>Dr David Beggs BVSc MVS, Warmambool Vet Clinic</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Joining management – designing a programme to suit you James McCormack TMA and David Plant Southern Cross Genetics</li> </ul>
	• Herd Improvement – measuring and monitoring  Jim Green Beef Xcel
	• On-farm herd recording: Rob Wyld Sapien Technology
	• DNA markers – deciphering the science Dr Hans Graser and Wayne Upton AGBU
	Managing recessive genetic conditions in your herd     Dr Peter Parnell CEO Angus Australia
	Getting the dirt on soil carbon     Dr Christine Jones Australian Soil Carbon Accreditation Scheme
	<ul> <li>Maximising genetic potential through best practice weaning procedures         Dr Rick White BVSc Livestock Central     </li> </ul>
5 pm 6.30 pm 7.30 pm	Team Te Mania Marketing Subcommittee Meeting  Pre Dinner Drinks  Dinner with Consultants.  After dinner speaker Dr David Beggs BVSc MVS
	"Chooks are People Too"





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FRIDAY 31 JULY: 8.30 - 3.40PM

7am **Breakfast** 

8am Team Te Mania Progeny Test group meeting

Conference Room 6

8.30am **Team Te Mania Update.** 

Hamish McFarlane Te Mania Angus

Hamish is a Director and co-principal of Te Mania Angus.

Convenor: Tom Gubbins

9am Gene markers – unlocking the power of DNA

Dr Hans Graser Director Animal Genetics Breeding Unit UNE, Armidale

Dr. Graser studied Agricultural Science in Germany and was awarded a Doctor degree in 1980. He came to Australia soon after and worked at the Animal Genetics and Breeding Unit (AGBU) at the University of New England. During his time at AGBU he helped develop the first genetic selection tool for beef cattle. His work has become the foundation of the national beef genetic evaluation scheme that subsequently became known as BREEDPLAN.

9.50 am **Morning Tea** 

10.20am Getting the dirt on soil carbon

Dr Christine Jones Australian Soil Carbon Accreditation Scheme

Dr Jones is an internationally renowned and highly respected groundcover and soils ecologist. She has a wealth of experience working with innovative landholders to implement regenerative land management techniques that enhance biodiversity, increase biological activity, sequester carbon, activate soil nutrient cycles, restore water balance, improve productivity and create new topsoil.

II.15am Managing recessive genetic conditions in your herd

Dr Peter Parnell CEO Angus Australia

Dr Peter Parnell has recently been appointed as Chief Executive Officer of Angus Australia. Dr Parnell has over 30 years experience in research, extension and application of technology in the beef industry, particularly in the commercial application of beef breeding technologies. He has worked previously with Angus Australia as Breed Development Manager where he was responsible for overseeing the Angus GROUP BREEDPLAN genetic evaluation system.

11.50 am Managing recessive genetic conditions in the Te Mania Angus herd

**Tom Gubbins** Te Mania Angus

Director and co-principal of Te Mania Angus, Tom has been a director of the Angus Society of Australia and Vice-Chairman of the Victorian Branch of the Angus Society, heading the Breed Development Steering Committee. Member of the MLA Breedplan Review Focus Group.

12pm **Lunch** 

Convener: Hamish McFarlane

2pm Trends in Agribusiness – Elders' perspective

Mr Mike Guerin, Managing Director of Elders Rural Services

Mike joined Elders Limited in March 2008. With a national and international network of over 400 branches and 4,000 employees, Mike's role encompasses the agribusiness operations of Elders including meat & livestock, wool, horticulture and merchandise. Mike previously had an 18 year tenure with the ANZ.

2.30pm Team Te Mania case study Mark Calvert-Jones

Mark Calvert-Jones and his family run both a commercial Angus herd and a steer trading operation near Mansfield in North East Victoria. Originally from Melbourne they moved to Mansfield in the mid 90's and set up Tonga Station. Currently 600 Breeders are joined to Te Mania Bulls, and they are trading between 200 and 700 steers annually.

2.50pm Agriculture – bucking the financial trends

Michael Knox B. Bus. MBA Director of Strategy and Chief Economist, ABN AMRO Morgans Limited

Michael was an Australian Trade Commissioner serving in Saudi Arabia and Indonesia. He joined Morgans (now ABN AMRO Morgans Limited) in Sydney in 1988. He was Chief Institutional Options Dealer until moving to Brisbane in 1990 as Economist and Strategist. Michael joined the Board of Morgan Stockbroking in 1996 and became Director of Strategy and Chief Economist in 1998.

3.40pm Finish



#### **DEAKIN MANAGEMENT CENTRE**

Located on 100 hectares of the Geelong Campus of Deakin University. The Deakin Management Centre was designed with the participant in mind, where open space and natural light enhance the live-in conference experience.

## **HOW TO GET THERE.**

#### From Melbourne 70 minutes

From Melbourne CBD take the West Gate Freeway (Princes Highway), travel through Geelong to Waurn Ponds. Turn right at the Pigdons Road intersection, turn left into Deakin University (Entrance I) and left at the first roundabout. Follow the signs to Deakin Management Centre.

Melway map reference 464 G6.

Please note there are a number of Deakin University campuses, so ensure your travel arrangements take you to the Deakin University, Waurn Ponds

### **WORKSHOP COST**

**FULL WORKSHOP** 

Thursday 30 and Friday 31 July 2009

\$233 Team members \$257 non members

I DAY WORKSHOP

Friday 31 July 2009 only

\$115 Team members \$130 non members

\*Accommodation at Deakin Management Centre

\$145 (plus \$25 breakfast)

\*Payable to Deakin on departure

# **REGISTRATIONS ESSENTIAL**

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