



Garry Hall mustering Team Te Mania
bulls on "The Mole", Warren, NSW.
Photo taken by Leanne Hall.

TEAM TE MANIA FIELD DAY

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MORTLAKE**

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7.45am	Bus departs Deakin Management Centre, Waurn Ponds for Te Mania Angus, Mortlake (2 hours)
9.45am	Morning Tea
10.00am	How the Te Mania Angus 1600-cow herd is managed Tom Gubbins <i>Te Mania Angus</i> An overview of how the animals are run in large contemporary groups and why this is beneficial to progeny testing. Hear how they are managed – through cell grazing, the calving program, the structural assessment program and performance recording.
10.30am	Grazing management Terry McCosker <i>Resource Consulting Services (RCS)</i> Terry McCosker co-founded RCS over 25 years ago. In that time he has introduced Australian farmers to the concept of ecosystem health and developed methods of measuring it alongside financial performance. Critically he introduced the concept of farm family wellbeing and welcomed female partners, siblings and parents into courses about decision making. His diverse background in research includes published papers on bull fertility, ruminant nutrition and pasture ecology.
12.30pm	Lunch
1.30pm	Managing nutrition of heifers through to joining Sarah Smith <i>BSc (Ag), Total Result Ag Consulting</i> Sarah developed her passion for the livestock industry growing up on her family's commercial beef operation in NSW before successfully completing a Bachelor of Applied Science (Agriculture) at Charles Sturt University, Wagga Wagga. More than five years experience at a stockfeed company in south west Victoria supplied her with extensive experience in the nutrition sector of Australia's pasture-based dairy industry. In recent times, Sarah has gained new experience in TMR feeding strategies as a physical nutritionist and in May 2010, she joined Total Result Ag Consulting as a dairy productivity consultant. She has worked with Te Mania Angus since December 2010.
2.30pm	Low stress stock handling Nic Kentish <i>Low Stress Stock Handling</i> Nic will demonstrate some of the basic animal instincts and principles of low-stress stock handling. It will be a snapshot of the two-day LSS schools Nic offers to cattle handlers, ranging from experienced stockmen to beginners.
3.30pm	Livestock data capture systems Rob Wyld <i>Sapien Technology</i> Rob will demonstrate the koolcollect and koolperform systems, which are used to manage the data capture for treatments, movements, joining and performance data.
4.15pm	Depart Woolongoon to Deakin Management Centre
7.00 for 7.30pm	Dinner
	Livestock exports overview Vincent Heeran <i>Manager - Elders International Livestock</i>

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7.00am	Breakfast
8.30am	Welcome
8.45am	Trends in the feedlot industry and its markets Don Mackay <i>CEO, Rangers Valley Feedlot</i> Rangers Valley operates a 32,000 head feedlot near Glen Innes, NSW, producing high quality Angus and Wagyu grainfed beef for Australian and World markets. Don has been chief executive officer since 2009, and was previously managing director of Australian Agricultural Company, Australia's largest beef herd, a position he held for nine years.
9.30am	Grazing for Profit and Environment Terry McCosker <i>RCS</i> Terry, a Churchill Fellow, introduced the concepts of holistic property management and time control grazing to Australia in 1990. He is internationally recognised for his research work, extension activities and property management advice. Terry is a founding partner of RCS which has become Australia's leading private agricultural education and training business since its formation 20 years ago. Terry continues to work on the cutting edge of agriculture and continuously introduces new research into the various RCS training programs.
10.30am	Morning Tea
11.00am	Case Study Peter Billings <i>Wargoona, Winchelsea, Vic</i> Environment and economy go hand in hand at Wargoona, 541 hectares at the foot of the Otways, south of Winchelsea in Victoria. The farm has been using Te Mania Angus genetics for more than 15 years and joined the Team Te Mania program eight years ago. Wargoona runs 300 breeding cows, and targets the feedlot market, with its steers going mainly to Rangers Valley. The Billings also produce break crops, and silage is grown for the next door neighbour. Peter and Rosy are "farm change" farmers who endeavour to mix farming demands with the environment in mind. At Wargoona, cell grazing and low-stress stock handling are also practiced, an approach now being passed on to their next generation.
11.20am	Integrating pastures and crops, and the risks involved Cam Nicholson <i>Grain and Graze</i> The allure of higher returns through cropping has led many farmers to reduce livestock numbers. But are the returns really there, and how does this change the risk-profile of farming business? Cam Nicholson from the Grain and Graze program will discuss the changes using a local beef and cropping farm and pose the question: Is the risk worth the return?
12.20pm	Lunch
1.30pm	Case study Ralph Kuhn <i>BVSc Hons - Allambi, Coolah, NSW</i> Steers from Ralph and Krissi Kuhn's herd, Allambi, are highly sought after by Rangers Valley feedlot. The 700 cow Team Te Mania progeny test herd is part of a mixed farming operation, run alongside a ewe flock and cropping program. Allambi encompasses 3000 hectares in a warm temperate/sub tropical climate with non-seasonal rains providing 45 pc of water in the winter and 55 pc in summer.
1.50pm	More gain, less pain Tom Gubbins <i>Te Mania Angus</i> Using breeding tools to give effective and profitable genetic gain.
2.30pm	Tables with Consultants – 3 x 20 minute sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Terry McCosker – Grazing management• Sarah Smith <i>Nutritionist</i> – Minimising stress at weaning. Yard weaning vs paddock weaning• Rob Wyld – Animal management software and online advantages• Cam Nicholson and Simon Falkiner – Grazing crops - getting the timing right to provide feed and not reduce grain yield• David Plant <i>Southern Cross Genetics</i> – Developments in AI synchronisation protocols• Hamish McFarlane Team Te Mania
4.00pm	Finish



WORKSHOP COST (Thurs & Fri)

\$200 Team members

\$250 Non-team members

Accommodation at Deakin Management Centre

** Not incl in workshop, payable to Deakin Management Centre on departure*

\$150 per night (single)*

\$175 per night (double/twin)*

\$55 Wednesday dinner*

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TE MANIA ANGUS

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From Mortlake, take Hopkins Highway heading south (towards Warrnambool), travel for 4.8 kms.

Turn right into Reichmans Lane and travel for another 4.8 km. Entrance on the RHS is clearly marked with a Te Mania Angus sign.

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