

NEW SOUTH WALES

Flexible farming systems – Exploring the options

Narrandera Ex-Services Club

Program

n.b. program as of 10th January (subject to change)

Tuesday 28th February – Day 1

- 9.00am **Welcome** *TBC, GRDC*
 9.30am **Grain markets –** What are the key drivers and influences into 2012? *Steve Powell, Market Check*
 10.05am **Sustaining herbicide effectiveness in the WA cropping belt** *Andrew Storrrie, Agronomo Consulting*
 10.45am **Morning tea**

CONCURRENT SESSIONS (40 minutes including time for room change) (R = session to be repeated)

	Main room	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3
11.15am	Digital technology – Making it work for you and your client (R) <i>Agworld, Back Paddock and AGRO app</i>	Optimising water use efficiency – Identifying farm scale opportunities to improve WUE (R) <i>James Hunt, CSIRO</i>	Sustaining 100 per cent crop production – Managing volatility, risk and herbicide effectiveness (R) <i>Doug Smith, Farmer, WA</i>	Back chat with <i>Steve Powell, Market Check</i>
11.55am	Digital technology – Making it work for you and your client <i>Agworld, Back Paddock and AGRO app</i>	Optimising water use efficiency – Identifying farm scale opportunities to improve WUE <i>James Hunt, CSIRO</i>	Cereal and canola diseases – Diseases of 2011 and ‘watch outs’ for 2012 (R) <i>Andrew Milgate & Kurt Lindbeck, DPI NSW</i>	Back chat with <i>Andrew Storrrie, Agronomo Consulting and Doug Smith, Farmer, WA</i>
12.35pm	Mixing and matching – Optimising results with pre-emergents (R) <i>Chris Preston, University of Adelaide</i>	Getting on top of fleabane and windmill grass – Latest tactics explained (R) <i>Tony Cook, DPI NSW</i>	Sustaining 100 per cent crop production – Managing volatility, risk and herbicide effectiveness <i>Doug Smith, Farmer, WA</i>	TBC
1.10pm	Lunch (compliments of Viterra)			
2.00pm	Mixing and matching – Optimising results with pre-emergents <i>Chris Preston, University of Adelaide</i>	Getting on top of fleabane and windmill grass – Latest tactics explained <i>Tony Cook, DPI NSW</i>	Update on FarmLink Research <i>Jon Cobden, FarmLink Research</i>	Mice – Are they here to stay? (R) <i>Simon Humphrys, Nat. Mouse Management Working Group</i>
2.40pm	Industry Innovation Forum – Update on latest commercial products & services <i>Industry panel</i>	Web based tools for weed control and pest ID (R) <i>Paul Umina, CESAR & Hanwen Wu, DPI NSW</i>	Local herbicide resistance data revealed <i>John Broster, Charles Sturt University</i>	Yield and protein – Rethinking new varieties, nitrogen and rotations (R) <i>Neil Fettell, University of New England</i>
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4.00pm **Afternoon tea**

4.30pm **Launch of new GRDC phone applications**

David Shannon, GRDC Southern Panel

4.40pm **New NVT website – Better, faster and wiser**

Tom Giles, GRDC

4.50pm **New and novel solutions for the grain industries**

Paul Meibusch, GRDC

5.25pm **Close and evaluation**

5.30pm **Drinks (compliments of AGT)**

Wednesday 29th February – Day 2

9.00am **The future of your chemicals – Contrast and comparisons from the UK**

Jim Orson, National Institute of Agricultural Botany, UK

9.40am **Intensive farming systems – Can they stay and will they pay?**

Robert Patterson, Rural Management Services

10.15am **Students at work**

Effective supplementation of pregnant and lactating ewes

Shawn McGrath, Charles Sturt University

10.25am **Water soluble carbohydrate accumulation for drought avoidance in wheat**

Ben Ovenden, Charles Sturt University

10.35am **End point royalty update**

TBC

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11.50am	Better Fertiliser Decisions – New data to support recommendations Simon Speirs , NSW DPI	Inversions – How do we identify them and learn not to spray? (R) Craig Day , Spray Safe & Save	TBC	Back chat with Garry O’Leary , DPI Vic
12.30pm	Trace elements – Impacts on production and plant nutrition (R) Jim Laycock , IPL	Rhizoctonia in cereals – New weapons against an old enemy (R) Alan McKay , SARDI	My client has a disc seeder – What does this mean for my advice? (R) Barry Haskins , NSW DPI & Greg Condon , Grassroots Agronomy	Back chat with Robert Patterson
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3.30pm **Achieving adoption with your clients – Persuasion skills to drive change**

Bruce Howie, C-qual agritelligence

4.10pm **Close and evaluation**

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