

WALRC Livestock Matters Forum

A really interesting day out for south coast livestock producers

Venue: Lester Pastoral then Manypeaks Hall

Wednesday, March 25

10.45am **Lester Pastoral Company paddock walk:** The Lester family is actively addressing the autumn feedgap on the south coast, trialling a new range of summer/autumn pastures, both dryland and for irrigation. This is a great opportunity to get an insight from Kim Lester into his future feeding plans.
Meet at Jarraluka, 474 Homestead Road, Manypeaks.

12.15 Lunch - Many Peaks Hall - provided by ManyPeaks P&C

1.00pm **Keynote address:** Michael Craig runs a mixed broadacre livestock and cropping enterprise with 18,000 sheep and 500 breeders at Harrow in the western districts of Victoria. Considered an 'early adopter' of all things high-tech, with science-based evidence of their application, Michael will share his main production 'leaps' achieved through this approach over the last 5 years.

1.45pm **What's going on in this patch:** Local cattle veterinarian **Jess Shilling** talks about the biggest production challenges on the south coast at the moment, giving us food for thought about what responses and action is needed.

2.15pm **Meet your researchers:** In this segment we have a series of short presentations from MLA, Murdoch, CSIRO, UWA, DPIRD and Stirlings to Coast - and a chance to hear about some of the latest livestock industry research projects underway.

3.00pm Break

3.30pm Discussion forum: WALRC chairman Dr Tim Watts leads the discussion session on the issues holding your livestock business back.

Refreshments courtesy of WALRC to follow

Please RSVP to admin@walrc.com.au or text Esther Jones 0418 931 938 with names

**About WALRC: The WA Livestock Research Council is an initiative of MLA that partners with DPIRD, CSIRO, Murdoch and UWA to identify the research needs of WA's beef and sheep producers. Our forums are an ideal opportunity for livestock producers to influence the best spend of their R&D levy.*