



Top 5

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LOOSESTRIFE

Clients have been reporting issues and sightings!

Wetter than usual conditions means that the toxic plant is around- check wet/seepage areas. It can impact both sheep and cattle, causing lethargy, weight loss, photosensitivity & death. Biggest issue is when the weed is the dominant green feed- common as feed dries off or livestock move onto stubbles. If effected, remove and feed low protein.

For more info click HERE





JOINING OUT OF SEASON: TEASERS

For those that use teasers (if you join before Feb 1st you should!) read Teasers 101 HERE



WHAT'S A EWE WORTH?

New analysis evaluates the return on investment for three different sheep enterprises based on recent scanned in lamb ewe prices.

	Merino (17 mpg)	Composite (28 mpg)	
Purchase Price (\$/head)	288	282	ı
Lamb Marking Ratio	95%	110%	130%
Lamb Selling Weight (kg cwt)	17	20	22
Lamb Selling Price (c/kg cwt)	790	830	830
Skin Value (\$/skin)	12	3	0
Total Lamb Value (\$/head)	139	186	237
Wool Value (\$/head on a 5kg fleece)	50	5	0
Annual Income per head	189	191	237
Return on investment	66%	68%	47%
Years needed to payoff ewe purchase	1.52	1.48	2.13
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What's a ewe really worth?

MIKE'S FEED APP

Feed tracking-When it comes to budgets, it's a hassle to go back to find the feed data you need. Mike Young's app aims to simply this by tracking all feed info, including what's on hand. Simple, easy. Check it out: HERE

To set up:

- 1. Enter your available storage space in the settings window.
- 2. Enter current amount of grain on hand using the 'top up' command in the feed entry window.
- 3. Keep it up to sate by entering each time grain is purchased or fed.

LISTENING/WATCHING

We often use stubbles long after they're spent. In this podcast Fiona MacCarthur is joined by Rob Inglis to discuss how to calculate how long stubble will last and also discuss successful management of this important resource in mixed farming enterprise. LISTEN