

Top 5

AgPro's insights

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LAMB PLANNER APP

ASHEEP have developed a very useful app for the entire breeding cycle. Most handy is it can send reminders when energy requirements significantly increase. It also covers condition score targets, nutrition, lambing and repro management. Check it out here: [APP](#)

EFFICIENCY RULE OF THUMB

Something to quickly think about:

For every 100mm rainfall, utilise 1 tonne of green feed. OR in other words, 3.5DSE/ha/100mm.

If not, what can you do to improve feed utilisation??

FLY RESISTANCE UPDATE

We came across a great update by NSW DPI on blowfly resistance. They've been doing a fair bit of work, and are the ones you can mail your maggots to!

Key messages of the update are:

- Don't use the same product, or same chemical group, more than once in a season

- Even with extremely high resistance, the chemicals don't stop working- the length of protection is what is affected. So if you're seeing strike when sheep should be covered, consider getting a maggot resistance test.

Remember, flywaves are not green flies on the move, but just similar emergence timing.

Full article is here: [FLIES](#)

When in doubt about fly/maggot management, try the FlyBoss tool:

<http://www.flyboss.com.au/tools>

Table 3. Chemical groups and actives available for flystrike control and their application methods

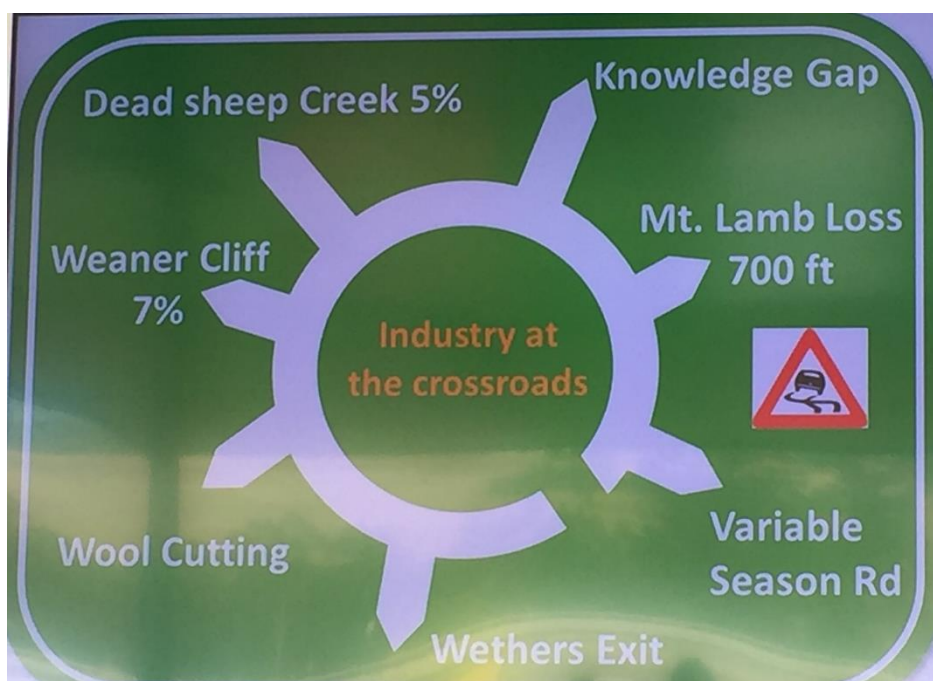
CHEMICAL GROUP	CHEMICAL ACTIVE	APPLICATION METHOD ¹			
		Spray-on	Jetting	Dipping	Dressing
Insect Growth Regulator (IGR)	Cyromazine	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Dicyclanil	Yes	No	No	No
Neonicotinoid	Imidacloprid	Yes	No	No	No
Spinosyn	Spinosad	No	Yes	No	Yes
Macrocyclic Lactone (ML)	Ivermectin	No	Yes	No	Yes
Synthetic Pyrethroid (SP)	Alpha-cypermethrin ²	Yes	No	No	No
Organophosphate (OP)	Diazinon, Propetamphos & Chlorfenvinphos	No	No	No	Yes

¹ Always follow label directions

² Registered for prevention of body strike only

MEAT UP: INDUSTRY

Jason Trompf gave an insightful presentation in S.A. a few weeks ago, touching on the current challenges within the sheep industry, and the issue of focusing too closely on fixing one of these issues, to the detriment of others. Mt. Lamb Loss, Weaner Cliff and Dead Sheep Creek are turnoffs we can avoid- hopefully AgPro has helped!- by filling the knowledge gap.



TWITTERSPHERE'S OFFERING



"Henry! Our party's total chaos! No one knows
when to eat, where to stand, what to . . .
Oh, thank God! Here comes a border collie!"