



2010 NATIONAL WHITE SUFFOLK CONFERENCE

Sunday 14th – Wednesday 17th February 2010

BIG 4 Welcome Stranger Holiday Park, Ballarat Victoria

ACCOMMODATION

The **Welcome Stranger Holiday Park** has reserved the entire park for those attending the 2010 AWSA National Conference. **It will be the responsibility of the attendee(s) to book their own accommodation.**

There are a number of options regarding cabin size – for more information please visit www.welcomestranger.com.au or contact the park direct on phone (03) 5332 7722 , 1800 622777 (free call) , fax (03) 5331 2062.

The rates as listed below are the normal 'low tariff' rates for the Welcome Stranger. AWSA members will receive a 10% discount on these rates:

3 BR delx	2 BR delx	2 BR Hol Unit (6b)	1 BR Hol Unit (6b)	1 BR Hol Unit (7b)	1 BR cabin	Ensuite cabin (6b)	Ensuite cabin (5b)	Ensuite cabin (4b)	Standard cabin (6b)
\$145	\$145	\$120	\$105	\$105	\$95	\$85	\$85	\$85	\$70

If attendees require assistance with share accommodation, please contact the Secretariat on (08) 8210 5231.

Members will need to organize their own breakfast on Monday and Tuesday morning. A BBQ breakfast will be provided for conference attendees on Wednesday morning.

AIRPORT TRANSFER

A shuttle bus service operates between Melbourne Airport and Ballarat. If you are planning on flying to Melbourne the shuttle bus service is ideal to get you to Ballarat. If you are intending to use the shuttle bus service bookings are essential. More information is available from www.airportshuttlebus.com.au or call (03) 5333 4181.

Please note: the shuttle will drop you at the Ballarat Railway Station. Please contact the Secretariat on (08) 8210 5231 to advise if you will be using the shuttle bus service so that we can arrange for you to be picked up from the railway station.

CONFERENCE PACKAGES & REGISTRATION

To register for the 2010 Conference, please complete the attached registration form and return with payment to AWSA, PO Box 108, Goodwood SA 5034. Closing date for registrations is Monday, 25th January 2010.

*** An Early Bird discount is available for those registering before Friday, 18th December 2009**
The full registration fee will apply to registrations received after the 18th December.

Participants have the option of attending the full conference, or a single day if desired.
No refunds for cancellation will be available after Monday 25th January 2010.

FULL PACKAGE: Sunday 14th February – Wednesday 17th February 2010

Early Bird Registration Fee: \$214.50 per person (GST inc) / Full Registration Fee: \$225.50 per person (GST inc)

The full conference package includes all activities and meals as listed on the program from Sunday 14th February to Wednesday 17th February 2010.

DAY PACKAGE: Monday 15th February 2010

Early Bird Registration Fee: \$77.00 per person (GST inc.) / Full Registration Fee: \$88.00 per person (GST inc)

Includes all activities & meals as listed on the program for Monday 15th February 2010 only.

This package is not available for members attending for more than one day.

DAY PACKAGE: Tuesday 16th February 2010 (Day only)

Early Bird Registration Fee: \$55.00 per person (GST inc) / Full Registration Fee: \$66.00 per person (GST inc)

Includes all activities & meals (excluding Dinner) as listed on the program for Tuesday 16th February 2010 only.

This package is not available for members attending for more than one day.

DAY PACKAGE: Tuesday 16th February 2010 (including Dinner)

Early Bird Registration Fee: \$137.50 per person (GST inc) / Full Registration Fee: \$148.50 per person (GST inc)

Includes all activities & meals (including Dinner) as listed on the program for Tuesday 16th February 2010 only.

This package is not available for members attending for more than one day.

All conference enquiries should be directed to:

Conference Organisers: Craig Mitchell (03)5238 9599 / 0419 331 435 or Steve Milne (03) 5578 6327 / 0428 786 327
AWSA Secretariat: Nikki Pfeiffer (08) 8210 5231 or npfeiffer@adelaideshowground.com.au

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Sunday 14th – Wednesday 17th February 2010

Welcome Stranger Holiday Park , Ballarat

Arrival - Sunday 14th February

5.00pm ***Arrival and Registration***
6.30pm ***BBQ Tea*** –BBQ area

Day One – Monday 15th February

8.00am ***Coffee / Registration***
8.30am ***Welcome and Housekeeping***
8.50am Peter Trefort: “Lamb –Now and the Next Decade”
9.30am Andrew Hay: “The Domestic Outlook”
10.15am ***Morning Tea***
10.45am Jason Trompf: “Turning reproductive potential into reality”
11.30am Nick Linden: “Efficiency within the farming system – Ewes and Lambs”
12.15pm ***Lunch***
1.15pm Alex Ball: “CRC Information Nucleus – Update and the Future”
2.00pm Geoff Ross: “Data capture and management options using electronic tags”
2.30pm Paul Dolling: “Electronic Tags – A breeders’ perspective”
3.00pm ***Afternoon Tea***
3.30pm Breed Forum
5.00pm ***Free Time***
6.30pm ***Buffet Tea***
7.30pm ***‘Presidents Cup Golf’***

Day Two – Tuesday February 16th

8.30am ***Housekeeping***
8.40am Sam Gill: “White Suffolk breed update and trends, new ASBV’s”
9.30am ***Morning Tea***
10.00am ***Travel to Ballarat Showgrounds*** (own transport)
10.30am Workshops*
12.00pm ***Lunch***
1.00pm Workshops*
2.30pm ***Return to ‘Welcome Stranger’*** (own transport)
3.00pm ***Afternoon Tea***
3.30pm AWSA Annual General Meeting
6.15pm ***Buses depart for ‘Pipers by the Lake’***

7.00pm ***Conference Dinner***
..... ***Guest Speaker: Sam Kekovich – “I’m Sam Kekovich – You know it makes sense”***
10.30pm? ***Buses return to ‘Welcome Stranger’***

Day Three – Wednesday February 17th

8.00am ***Closing Breakfast*** – BBQ area
10.00am ***Depart ‘Welcome Stranger’***

WORKSHOPS & SPEAKERS

*WORKSHOPS (rotating)

Workshops on Tuesday 16th will be held at Ballarat Showground and rotate between 10.00am and 2.30pm.

Workshops include:

Simon Beattie ..**Structural Trait Scoring**

Lachie Day.....**The Process of Classing**

Stefan Spiker**TGRM – Optimised breeding programs**

DPI Victoria**Lamb Assessment**

Sue Piggott.....**Web Manager**

Steve Milne**Pedigree Wizard**

(Webmanager & Pedigree Wizard workshops will be run if there is sufficient demand)

SPEAKERS IN BRIEF

Peter Trefort

Peter Trefort manages his family's property at Narrogin in Western Australia. He has more than 40 years' experience in sheep and cattle production as well as management across the supply chain. He has worked extensively developing on-farm and processing R&D strategy with the Department of Agriculture (WA), University of WA and Murdoch (WA). He has been successful in developing and commercialising an innovative new range of lamb cuts to extend markets both domestically and internationally.

Andrew Hay

Andrew Hay is the National Livestock Manager – Lamb for COLES

Jason Trompf

Dr Jason Trompf is a wool and lamb producer from Violetown, an Honorary Research Fellow with the Department of Agricultural Sciences at Latrobe University, and the current Chairman of BEST WOOL/BEST LAMB.

Nick Linden

Nick Linden is a research scientist with the Victorian DPI, based at the Rutherglen Research Centre. He has addressed us previously on the subject of lamb finishing, and will team with Jason Trompf on the subject of efficiency within the lamb production system.

Alex Ball

Dr Alex Ball is the Manager of Sheep & Lamb R&D for MLA

Geoff Ross

Geoff Ross is the Territory Manager for Tru-test

Paul Dolling

Paul Dolling is a principal of 'Uralba' White Suffolk Stud, Cleve, SA.

Sam Gill

Sam Gill is the Manager of Sheep Genetics.

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CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____ PREFIX: _____ FLOCK #: _____

Terms and Conditions: –

- All prices are GST Inclusive.
- * **EARLY BIRD discounted price applies to all registrations received by 18th December 2009**
- There will be no refund for any cancellations after Monday 25th January 2010
- All registrations must be accompanied by payment.

CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATIONS:
Monday, 25th January 2009

FULL NAME	PACKAGE	COST	TOTAL COST
<i>Please print clearly for name tag purposes</i>	<i>Please tick appropriate package</i>	<i>All prices GST inclusive</i>	
1.	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Package <input type="checkbox"/> Monday (inc Dinner) <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday (Day only) <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday (inc Dinner)	\$214.50* / \$225.00 per person \$77.00* / \$88.00 per person \$55.00* / \$66.00 per person \$137.50* / \$148.50 per person	\$.....
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			TOTAL DUE: \$.....

METHOD OF PAYMENT

DIRECT DEBIT *Australian White Suffolk Association Inc – BSB: 085458 Acct: 646930119*

Name: _____ Reference: _____ Date: _____

CHEQUE / MONEY ORDER (enclosed)
*Cheques made payable to: Australian White Suffolk Association Inc
 Mail to: AWSA, PO Box 108, Goodwood SA 5034*

DETAILS

- I/We are interested in sharing accommodation.
- I/We will be using the bus shuttle service from Melbourne airport to Ballarat
- I/We agree to the terms and conditions as listed above.