



Dylan is right at home on the 'Plains

WITH a background in the meat trade and close ties to his new patch, Quality Livestock's latest recruit, Dylan Ruiz (pictured left), is poised to make a big impact as Livestock Representative for the Adelaide Plains region.

A butcher by trade, the 28 year-old has more than 11 year's experience in the meat industry, including working as a meat wholesaler selling carcasses and cartons of meat primals before joining Quality.

Dylan said his experiences in another area of the livestock

industry would give him a solid foundation to work from in his new role.

"I want to grow and develop my skills, but also be able to bring my knowledge of the meat trade to the livestock side of things and give our agents a better understanding of the other end of the product," he said.

Now based in Adelaide, Dylan grew up on a small hobby farm located between Owen and Balaklava, still owned by his family.

He has maintained close ties to the community, with friends

and family in the region, and as a playing member of the Balaklava Football Club in the Adelaide Plains Football League.

Dylan said he was looking forward to tapping into his local knowledge and contacts to assist him as he pursues a new challenge in his career.

"I was definitely attracted by the challenges of the job," he said.

"Some of the aspects I'm looking forward to tackling as a Livestock Representative include successfully bringing new business to the Quality team,

networking with new people and handling livestock".

"I'm also looking forward to learning how the markets work".

In addition to servicing the Adelaide Plains, Dylan will also cover some parts of the Adelaide Hills and Mallee regions in conjunction with fellow Quality Livestock representative, David Whittenbury.

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Ian Clark, Melrose, Darren Gordon Bred Well Fed Well facilitator, Simon Seppelt Quality Wool, Jason Trompf, Bred Well Fed Well facilitator.



Left: Burra's Josh Penns chats with Jason Noll, of Wilmington.

Bred Well, Fed Well

WOOL and livestock producers flocked to the Mid North last week as the Quality Wool and Livestock Group hosted a Bred Well Fed Well workshop in Melrose.

More than a dozen producers attended the workshop on Wednesday, June 21, hosted by Ian and David Clarke of 'Claris-Glen'.

Darren Gordon of Livestock Logic, who facilitated the day alongside Dr Jason Trompf from JT Agri-Source, said the 15 participants who took part, walked away from the workshop having gained practical tools to optimise reproduction and profitability in their ewe flocks.

"It was a fantastic day for all the producers, combining genetics and management in the one place," he said.

A joint initiative between Meat and Livestock Australia (MLA) and Australian Wool Innovation (AWI), Bred Well Fed Well workshops aim to help commercial producers, stock agents and many others to advance their skills in ram selection using Australian Sheep Breeding Values (ASBVs).

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Michael Voight, Wilmington, with Ann Hammat, Washpool.

Forecast showing rain

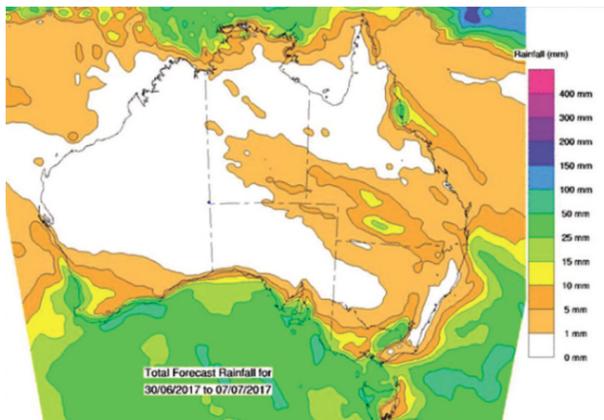
RAINFALL is the topical subject again this week across the great state. Some areas received 5-10mm, however it was not widespread, nor was it enough.

There are a few patches across the state which 'don't look too bad', however the majority is in need of a drink in excess of 25mm to keep the season on track.

There have been reports of poor canola emergence in Cummins due to the lack of rainfall. In some instances plants are emerging six to seven feet apart.

Early sown wheat crops in their second stage of tillering are also facing issues due to moisture stress.

On the bright side, the eight day BOM forecast is showing signs of rain, with areas on the EP and YP looking to receive a much needed drink.



The extended dry has resulted in many reducing their predicted planting area. At a recent forum, only 30 percent of growers present had finished their sowing program, with the remainder closely

monitoring the forecast to see how much more they can safely plant before the sowing window passes.

Germination in some areas is good, however a large portion of the state is struggling.

Season	Grade/Commodity	Last Week	This Week	Change
2016/17	ASW1 Adel Track	\$247	\$247	UNCH
2016/17	APW1 Adel Track	\$250	\$250	UNCH
2016/17	F1 Adel Track	\$212	\$220	+\$8
2016/17	ASW1 DLVD Murray Bridge	\$245	\$255	+\$10
2016/17	ASW1 DLVD Adelaide	\$258	\$256	-\$2
2016/17	SFW1 DLVD Wasleys	\$242	\$255	+\$13
2016/17	F1 DLVD Murray Bridge	\$222	\$225	+\$3
2016/17	CAN DLVD Murray Bridge	\$545	\$545	UNCH
2017/18	APW1 MG Adel Track	\$275	\$275	UNCH
2017/18	CAN ADEL Track	\$532	\$540	+\$8

Prices as at Friday June 30, 2017.

All will be watching closely over the next month to see how the season will pan out.

Markets continue to rise week

on week on the back of dry weather. This is still being met with very little grower engagement, aside from some necessity selling for

cashflow purposes.

We expect the market to continue in this manner, at least until we see the rain outlook improve.



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