# **PAYMENT & REGISTRATION FORM**

Conference registrations close Friday 18 July 2014 Cancellations must be received in writing before Friday 18 July

Either register at Try Booking - www.trybooking.com/FEJZ or send copy of this registration and/or membership and payment to:

The Secretary, The Grassland Society of NSW PO Box 471 Orange NSW 2800 Fax 02 63621556

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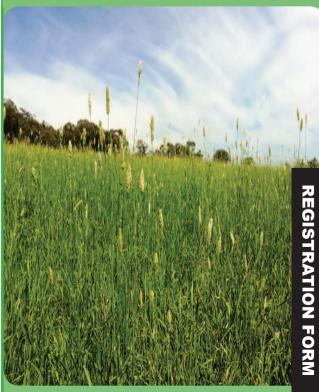
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# Versatile Production in a Variable Climate

22-24 July 2014

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# **CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

## Tuesday 22 July - Inverell RSM Club

Pre Conference Registrations 3.30-5.30 pm

Grassland Society of NSW Annual General Meeting 5.30-6.30 pm

6.30-7.30 pm Happy Hour and Canapes

## Wednesday 23 July - Inverell RSM Club

8.00-9.00 am Registrations

9.00 am Welcome and Welcome to Country

David Harbison, President of Grassland Society of NSW, and

Harry White, Northern Tablelands Local Land Services

9.30 am Session 1

"Climate variability: history and future predictions - what are the implications for pasture production and management?"

Dr Brendan Cullen, University of Melbourne.

10.15 am Trade Displays and Morning Tea

10.45 am Session 1 continued

"Future Farm Industries Cooperative Research Centre - Innovation in profitable perennial farming systems - putting research into practice." Dr Michael Friend. Charles Sturt University.

"Evergraze - Research on the North West Slopes of NSW." Dr Sean Murphy, NSW Department of Primary Industries

Bus Tours Depart (Packed lunches provided) 12.15- pm

#### Tour A Glen Innes district

Visit Rangers Valley, a cattle station near Glen Innes. Better known for it's feedlot, the station also has 1600 ha of grazing country for backgrounding operations. This tour will also visit Ben Vale a family operated mixed-farming business (sheep, beef & cropping) at Emmaville

#### Inverell district Tour B

Visit Newstead, a well known property in the Inverell district and part of the Sundown Pastoral Company. At this stop inspect improved pastures for cattle production. The second stop on the tour is Danthonia, a Bruderhof community near Inverell taking an alternative approach to sustainable land management.

#### Tour C Guvra district

Visit Blush Tomatos Australia's largest and most advanced glasshouse facilities. The glasshouses occupy 20 ha of land and produces approx 11 million kg of truss tomatos per year. The second stop on this tour is a Mannum Park Merino sheep stud with an emphasis on pasture improvement and innovative internal parasite control.

### Tour D Bingara / Delungra district

Visit NSW DPI experiments at Bingara evaluating a range of temperate and tropical legumes for tropical grass based pastures. This tour will also visit Glen Ayr at Bingara and Magnet at Delungra - two properties incorporating tropical grasses into their cattle breeding operations.

5.30 pm Buses Return to Inverell RSM Club

6.30-7.00 pm Pre Dinner Drinks and Canapes

(beer, wine and soft drink only)

7.00 pm Conference Dinner & Entertainment

(Jack Drake - Bush Poet)

Hay and Silage Competition Awards

## Thursday 24 July - Inverell RSM Club

8.00-8.30 am Registrations and Trade Displays

8 30 am Session 2

"The utilisation and management of tropical perennial grass based pastures." Dr Suzanne Boschma, NSW Department of Primary Industries

"Utilising tropical grasses in a temperate environment." Nick Endacott "Yarroview" Yarrowyck NSW

9.40-10.15 am Trade Displays and Morning Tea

10.15 am Session 3

"The role and use of traditional and alternative fertilisers." Neil Griffiths, NSW Department of Primary Industries

"Soil Fertility - a biological approach." Greg Chappell, Shannon Vale Station Glen Innes.

11.05 am Session 4

"Hybrid white clovers for drought tolerance." Dr Shirley Nichols, AgResearch Hamilton New Zealand

"Management for high quality pastures and animal production - Producer Panel Session." Andrew Wood. Bill Perrottet and Peter Fletcher

Trade Displays and Lunch 12.35 pm

1.25 pm Session 5

"Perennial grass weeds - options for control and management." Charles Grech, Department of Environment and Primary Industries, Victoria

"Perennial grass weeds - practical control and management." Jim Benton, "Weather Vale" Glen Innes NSW

"Coolatai grass management and utilisation." David Worsley, "Maryland" Nullamanna NSW

2.35 pm Session 6

"Integration of pasture and cropping systems under irrigation." Greg Finlay, Finlay Hay Texas Qld

"Practical application of integrating pasture and cropping systems." Glen Uebergang "Pearsby Hall" Inverell NSW

3.30 pm Conference close and Afternoon Tea

# **REGISTRATION OPTIONS**

2014/2015 Membership can be paid prior to the conference registration. For further information on membership go to www.grasslandnsw.com.au

Conference options (please tick)	Member	Non member
Full conference package <sup>1</sup>	□ \$280	\$350
Full conference package¹ Student/Additional member	□ \$200	□ n/a
Conference <b>Single day rate</b> <sup>2</sup> Wednesday 23 July	<b>□</b> \$110	□ \$170
Conference <b>Single day rate</b> <sup>3</sup> Thursday 24 July	<b>□</b> \$110	□ \$170
Conference <b>Dinner only</b> <sup>4</sup>	<b>□</b> \$75	□ \$75
Bus Tour only <sup>5</sup>	□ \$50	<b>□</b> \$50
Please indicate your <b>Bus Tour</b> <b>Preference</b> (mark boxes 1 to 4, with 1 your first preference)	A or B or C or D	
SUB-TOTAL		
I would like to attend the Annual General Meeting on 22 July	YES	NO
I would also like to pay my 2014/2015 Membership	□ \$60	☐ \$25 (student)
TOTAL		

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- <sup>1</sup> Full conference package includes conference sessions on both days, bus tours, conference proceedings, satchel, lunches, morning and afternoon teas, canapes, and conference dinner.
- <sup>2</sup> Single day rate (Wednesday) includes conference sessions on Wednesday, bus tours, conference proceedings, satchel, lunch, morning tea and afternoon tea. Please note day rate does not include conference dinner.
- <sup>3</sup> Single day rate (Thursday) includes conference sessions on Thursday, conference proceedings, satchel, lunch, morning tea and afternoon tea.
- <sup>4</sup> Conference dinner includes pre-dinner drinks (beer, wine and soft drink only), canapes and two course meal.
- <sup>5</sup> Bus tour includes tour booklet, lunch and afternoon tea.

For further information or enquires on the conference please contact the conference convenor Carol Harris by email carol.harris@dpi.nsw.gov.au or phone 0458 206 973 or the Grassland Society of NSW Secretary by email: secretary@grasslandnsw.com.au