



Young Farmers Forum

“Thinking Outside the Square”

Muresk Institute of Agriculture, Northam

Friday August 13, 2010

- 9.00 am** **Registration and Coffee**
- 9.40 am** **Opening and Welcome**
Young Farmers President, Stuart Cameron.
- 9.45 am** **Sue Middleton; Australian Rural Woman of the Year 2010**
Sue Middleton, the 2010 Australian Rural Woman of the Year, will discuss business and marketing within agriculture with reference to her own business.
- 10.15 am** **Geoff Fosbery; Agricultural Consultant, Consult Ag**
Geoff Fosbery will lead discussions on maximising on-farm profitability, as well as addressing challenges within the industry.
- 10.45 am** **Fabio Chaddad; Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics, University of Missouri**
Professor Chaddad will discuss cooperatives within the modern farming environment.
- 11.30 am** **Hon. Brendon Grylls MLA; Leader of the National Party**
The Hon. Brendon Grylls will address the WAFarmers Young Farmers Forum with a presentation entitled ‘Agriculture - now and the future’.
- 12.00 pm** **Lunch with Hon. Brendon Grylls**
- 1.30 pm** **Rob Proud; General Manager, Emerald Group Australia**
Rob Proud will discuss grain marketing and provide a market update.
- 2.00 pm** **Mike Jose; Executive Officer, Small Business Centre - Wheatbelt West**
Mike Jose will lead an informative session on generating a second income without leaving the farm, using examples of local farmers who have had success with developing new businesses.
- 2.45 pm** **Julian Krieg; Coordinator, Wheatbelt Men’s Health WA**
Julian Krieg will be discussing health and wellbeing with reference to the specific challenges faced by farmers and its impact on their health.
- 3.15 pm** **Afternoon Tea**
- 3.45 pm** **Discussion Forum**
- 4.30 pm** **WAFarmers Young Farmers Annual General Meeting**
- 5.00 pm** **Sundowner**

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