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Post Harvest Livestock Scenario



Good quality stubbles in the area have provided the perfect opportunity for growers to maximise production within their Livestock programs. At this time of year it is important for farmers to check the following management practices are up to date prior to animals (especially lambs) entering stubbles.

Good management practices will help with the prevention of acidosis and pulpy kidney, as well as ensuring the grower gains maximum production throughout this period.

DRENCH: Worm fecal egg counts should be done in the weeks leading up to stubble grazing to ensure sufficient worm numbers are present to warrant a drench. These tests can also detect the worm cultures present, to ensure the correct drench is used. Worm burden will cause a significant reduction in weight gain, resulting in loss of income.

VACCINATION: Ensure your vaccination program is up to date and any pre-existing stock have had their annual booster shot. If lambs are new to the property, a vaccination of Glanvac 3 in 1, 5 in 1 or 6 in 1 would be recommended to help reduce the risk of Pulpy Kidney. Remember Pulpy Kidney has no warning signs and results in sudden death. This is likely to affect the heavier, more productive lambs within the mob.

NUTRITION: Some growers find benefit in adding loose licks or lick blocks to a stubble diet. Some loose licks contain a buffer to help minimise the risks of acidosis, as well as containing other trace elements and minerals. If you are interested in adding either of these products, please contact your NWA store to discuss the best options to suit your enterprise.

INTRODUCTION PERIOD: Coming off the back of a good spring where minimal supplementary feeding may have been done, it is important to slowly introduce grain into an animal's diet. This can be done by feeding a small amount through self feeders or trail feeding and gradually building up intake over time. This allows the microbes in the rumen to adjust and process the grain more efficiently. The introduction process will help reduce the risks of acidosis and maximise feed intake when going onto stubbles.

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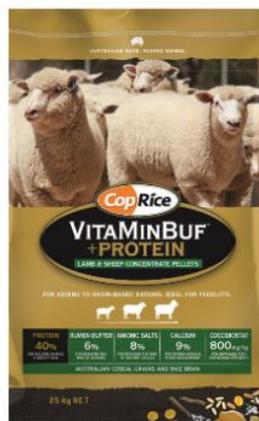
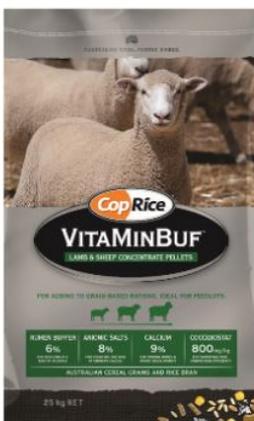
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