

BEEF AUSTRALIA TOUR 4–13 MAY 2012

The Cattle Sub Committee of the Australian National Field Days is arranging a Beef Cattle Study Tour to Queensland to coincide with Beef 2012 at Rockhampton. This follows very successful tours to previous beef events.

Beef Expos at Rockhampton are now recognized as the largest stud and commercial cattle shows in Australia. It comprises an International Conference, Seminars, Field Inspections, Stud Cattle Show, Commercial Cattle Competitions supported by trade displays and social activities. It is suggested that you check the Beef 2012 website (www.beefaustralia.com.au) for information.

The Study Tour will visit leading properties, studs, commercial operations and some innovative developments in the rural industries to break the journey into easily managed segments. General tourist inspections have been arranged to provide some relief for those partners not solely committed to beef cattle. Our tour leaders have wide industry knowledge which maximize the benefits of the visits and our previous tours have been very highly regarded as an enjoyable and valuable learning experience.

The cost of the tour is **\$1800** per head which will include all travel by a luxury touring coach, overnight twin share accommodation and cooked breakfasts, seven lunches and six evening meals. Tour members will be responsible for their own lunches and evening meals while at Rockhampton. A single supplement facility of **\$390** may be available if numbers and accommodation permits.

I strongly recommend and invite you, your staff and friends to participate, both as an educational experience and an enjoyable break from your usual routine with the opportunity to see industry developments and discuss issues with leading producers on their properties

Could you please advise the **ANFD office on (02) 6362 1588** of the names of those interested in participating as soon as possible, and return the attached booking form.

Payment of a deposit of \$500 per person, to secure your booking, should be made by **16 March, 2012**, with full payment by **13 April, 2012**. Payments can be made by cheque, made payable to: Australian National Field Days, by credit card or EFTPOS (phone or fax the ANFD office with card details).

Please contact John Bowler on (02) 6365 6182 or Jayne West on (02) 6362 1588 for further information if required.



Australian National Field Days

Beef Australia Tour 2012

Friday 4 May - Sunday 13 May



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Friday 4 May	Visits	7.30am depart ANFD site, Borenore Alan Haley, Goolma. EU accredited crossbreeding operation – tropical pastures Cam McKellar, Spring Ridge. Carbon Farming – biological management
	O/N	Armidale Regency Motel
Saturday 5 May	Visits	8.00am depart Ian & Sally Vivers, Eaglehawk Angus, Kings Plains, Stud Angus. AI/ Embryo Centre, home of “Weean” cattle yards Mushroom Farm, Glen Alpine
	O/N	Toowoomba Motel & Events
Sunday 6 May	Visits	8.00 depart Warren & Carolyn Kenny, Wajatryn Droughtmaster Stud, Ban Ban Springs. Seedstock & Commercial tropical cattle
	O/N	Sugar Cane Motel, Bundaberg
Monday 7 May	Visits	7.30 depart Rex & Jenny Neubecker, Be-Ma-Re Brahmans, Yandaran. Stud & Commercial Braham operation on coastal country Gracemere Saleyards - Beef 2012 Prime Cattle Competition
	O/N	Fitzroy Motor Inn, Rockhampton

Tuesday 8 & 9 May- Thursday 10 May	O/N	Beef 2012, Rockhampton Showgrounds 3.00pm depart Thursday Coal & Cattle Motel, Moura BBQ Dinner Mark & Nicky Lorimer “Burrawarra”
Friday 11 May	Visit	7.30am depart Santos, Fairview via Injune, Andrew Snars, Manager. Large Commercial cattle operation integrated with Coal Seam gas production
	O/N	Roma
Saturday 12 May	Visit	8.00 depart Yarrowonga Waco Santa Gertrudis Stud, Wallumbilla. Large iconic SG operation
	O/N	Burke & Wills Motor Inn, Moree
Sunday 13 May	Visit	8.00 depart George Avendano, Towri Boggabri. Intensive cattle grazing and management on tropical pastures 4.00pm return ANFD

* Severe flooding in Southern QLD has put some visits in doubt and will be assessed Closer to the date.

