



What we are seeing out in the paddocks



Slugs



This season has started off with an early start in late April with enough rain to get a germination of weeds and the first knockdown opportunity, and get some early sown crops out of the ground, with reasonable soil temperatures. With little or no follow up rains until late May, its put a halt to some seeding programs, and slowed down others. This change in the weather pattern has given us an opportunity to do more hectares of the double knock, where you can get a second germination of small ryegrass with paraquat, and add the pre emergent herbicide as well, prior to sowing.

This takes the pressure off, by improving weed control, while still getting the crops in 'on time'.

Some of the early sown Canola, has seen a mixed bag of pests that have done some early damage to canola seedlings. We have seen higher than usual slug damage to canola, and these are interesting pests to try and find. While sifting through heavy stubble they look the same as large sheep dung or kangaroo dung (see photo 1), but when you put them on the floor of ute with the heaters on, they are easier to ID (see photo 2). These critters can eat canola faster than snails.

We are also seeing some Vegetable weevil eating canola seedlings, mostly on grey calcareous soil types, although they are small (3-4 mm long), they do consume a lot of plants for their size. There is also the usual snail damage to canola we see most years, safest option is to bait the paddock after sowing, rather than come back after you see the damage, and put up with lower than optimal plant numbers. Similar story with Red Legged Earth mite, we rarely see damage unless an insecticide has not been applied either with the knockdown, or applied PSPE (Post Sowing Pre Emergent).

Legume crops have similar issues, although they tend to be different pests. Lucerne flea tend to prefer Faba Beans, and Red Legged Earth Mite prefer Lupins, Sub clover and Peas. Long season Canola do have aphids present already if not previously controlled with an insecticide. Not too much is bothering cereals yet unless they have been sown on a pasture paddock from last year, where RLEM are present, and feeding on single leaf cereals, showing the white tips on the end of the leaf.

Now we are just waiting on the next forecast rainfall event!

June 2023 Trading Hours
 Monday-Friday
 8:00am to 5:30pm
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 8:30am-11:00am
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 June 12th Kings Birthday

BIOSTART RUMINANT



Biostart Ruminant is an additive that will assist sheep to improve rumen health and efficient function through periods of stress, by encouraging changes in rumen microbes. It improves nutrient uptake which, in turn, leads to enhanced rumen health and production.

Trials in NSW have proven that sheep treated with Ruminant have increased health which filters into higher carcass weights, more viable lambs born, more pregnancies and more twin lambs. At the end of the test period the trial shows that ewes carried 7% more twins with a 13% improved survival rate of lambs born and a 14% increased weaning weight of lambs in this group, which equated to an increased profit margin.

Biostart Ruminant is a long term project not a quick fix, however perseverance will gain you a healthier more profitable flock.



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ANIMAL HEALTH



THE EWES ARE LAMBING...

Lambing is upon us and with the newest members of our flock's arrival we need to consider being prepared for marking time. Your ewes pre-lambing vaccinations should have helped the lambs hit the ground running with the antibodies they would have received from the colostrum. Now you need to investigate protecting them into the future.

Some products you should check your stock levels of are:

- Vaccinations: Glanery 7in1 B12
- Drench: TriGuard or Zolvix Plus
- Plus Biostart Ruminant
- Tri-Solfen
- MagForce dry lick
- Elastrator rings/applicators
- Injection guns and needle tips
- Stock marking paint



One injection using the Glanery compared to two using the other two vaccinations.

If you want to enhance your lamb's growth with Ruminant by adding it to the drench and administer in one easy dose, there is more information about the benefits of this product in the previous page of this newsletter.

MagForce needs to be distributed in tubs, troughs, in a mineral attachment to your feeders or held up with droppers in the paddock near a water point, this allows the sheep a free choice of when to consume the lick. Just be aware it will need to be kept out of the rain. Considering all this the benefits to the pregnant or lactating ewes, it's well worth the effort.

To discuss these products and more call us at Carrs.



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