



# Western Sheep & Beef Producers

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### CHANGES TO WA LIVESTOCK SALE DAYS

Elders, Landmark, Primaries and Westcoast Livestock are proposing to change livestock sale days across Western Australia.

These changes have been prompted by the difficulties and cost of sourcing labour on a Sunday to prepare cattle for sale at the Muchea Livestock Centre. Consequently, any change to selling days at Muchea will have a 'knock-on' effect at other saleyards.

The livestock agents are intending to conduct sales to the revised schedule below, commencing on Tuesday 7 April 2015;

| <b>Cattle</b>     |                   | <b>Sheep</b> |           |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Muchea            | Tuesday           | Katanning    | Tuesday   |
| Boyanup           | Wednesday         | Muchea       | Wednesday |
| Mt Barker         | Thursday & Friday |              |           |
| Manjimup          | Monday            |              |           |
| Boyanup (weaners) | Monday            |              |           |

The agents are seeking feedback, and stakeholders are invited to provide comments on the proposed changes, with written submissions directed to [muchea.livestock@gmail.com](mailto:muchea.livestock@gmail.com) by Saturday, 28 February, 2015.

In a statement released to the PGA, the combined agents said "We are confident that these changes allow livestock sold on behalf of our clients, in all saleyards across the state, to be presented and marketed in the best way possible".

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Now is the time for interested PGA members to nominate to join the Livestock Committee and help discuss and formulate PGA positions and policy. Space precludes listing all the committee's activities but last year the committee had input into;

- Lamb marking
  - Inclusion of other biosecurity risks
  - Pain relief
  - Live animal export fee review
  - Use of industry funds for HGP related regulatory activities
  - Saleyard Welfare Standards
  - Frequency of WoolPoll
  - 84 Toxic Chemicals of Security Concern
  - ESCAS effectiveness
- WAMIA
  - WA sheep IFS
  - DAFWA
  - Commonwealth Dept. of Ag.
  - WA cattle IFS
  - Victorian Dept. of Environment & Primary Industries
  - AWI
  - Commonwealth Attorney-General's Dept.
  - Commonwealth Dept. of Ag.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS - 2015

Executive Committee – 26 February 2015

PGA AGM – 26 February 2015

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