



A Workshop for Drought & Winter Feed Management of Beef Cattle

- DATE:** Monday, 24 June 2013
- TIME:** 9.00 am – 4 pm
- VENUE:** Yea Council Chambers, The Semi-circle, YEA (next door to library)
- COST:** \$49 (if holder of Cert. II or less) or \$74.40
(cost includes morning tea/light lunch/notes)
- RSVP:** Judy Brookes: juncball@bigpond.com or 5797 2563

GOTAFE, in conjunction with Rod Manning, is offering you the opportunity to attend a one-day Drought & Winter Feed Management of Beef Cattle Workshop.

Challenging seasons or drought require landholders to make critical decisions that will have short- and long-term impacts on their farming enterprise. High feed prices and low stock prices mean managing costs is crucial to the success of a business.

About the course: This timely one-day workshop is designed to help beef producers prepare feed budgets in response to poor seasons. It will also be an opportunity to review feeding strategies and develop an action plan, discussing options in the current situation with a well-respected local consultant:

The workshop will cover:

- Understanding feed allocation
- Assessing pasture quantity and quality as part of a feed ration
- Making destocking decisions
- Nutritional management
- Calculating accurate feed budgets on an energy basis
- Health and welfare management
- Cost of lot feeding
- Introduction to online calculators & apps
- Developing a plan for action.

Units of competency: AHCLSK311A- Implement feeding plans for livestock

Dr Rod Manning ran a vet clinic in Mansfield until 2002, and now operates a substantial beef enterprise in Mansfield, Alexandra and Benalla. Rod is highly respected in the beef industry for his entrepreneurial skills and has extensive experience working with producer groups through training programs to assist in promoting healthier and more productive cattle herds. He has his finger on the pulse of markets, farm management and industry news.

About GOTAFE: GOTAFE is a registered training organisation committed to offering producers a series of accredited industry workshops that provide them with the skills required to run their businesses more efficiently.

