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It was good to see some reasonable rainfall across most of the state over the past few weeks. Hopefully this will allow cropping to be successfully completed.

Feed shortages have however become critical in some areas, with many now relying on supplementary and confinement feeding.

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Supplementary feeding workshops are planned for the Upper South East, to support producers to best manage the challenging season in this region. Further details are provided in this newsletter.

SheepConnect SA Innovation Days, AWI Wool Clip events, Practical Ram Workshops, Supplementary Feeding workshops and a bus trip to LambEx are all being planned for the next few months.

Visit the event section on the SheepConnect SA website to stay connected with sheep industry events being offered across South Australia

### Recent Rains Trigger Worm Risk

Internal parasites are ready to infect ewes and lambs despite limited soil moisture at the start of winter.

Mild conditions in April have ensured that worm larvae deposited in dung during late summer / autumn will emerge and infect animals grazing short green and dead feed. Worm larval emergence escalates around three weeks after significant autumn/winter rain or a month earlier on irrigated pasture.

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### SheepConnect SA Farm Innovation Days

Strong support was seen for the SheepConnect SA Farm Innovation days held across the state in early April with over 250 producers attending the four events.

The Farm Innovation Day, supported by

<http://www.sheepconnectsa.com.au>

SheepConnect E-news aims to keep you connected with timely technical information, interesting sheep industry innovations and upcoming industry events.

### Useful Links

Ag Ex Alliance, as part of their social media project, has put together a series of informative videos in collaboration with Productive Nutrition, addressing the topic of containment feeding.

The short You Tube videos are very informative and address the production and natural resource management benefits of undertaking confinement areas.

If you never have experienced the wonders of You Tube or didn't think there was anything worth looking at, you may change your mind after viewing these links.

- [Why should I build a containment area?](#)
- [How to manage sheep in a containment area](#)
- [How to manage the transition of sheep to a containment area](#)
- [Interview with Greg Koch - Why did you establish a containment area?](#)



Australian Wool Innovation Ltd (AWI) and SheepConnect SA focused on taking the hassle out of sheep for the sheep farmer and increasing profits within the sheep business.

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### Get on board the LambEx Bus!

People looking to travel to LambEx from South Australia have an opportunity to join the Mid North Young Guns on a free bus and workshop tour to LambEx 2012, to be held on June 27th-29th in Bendigo, Victoria.

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### Up-Coming Events



### Supplementary and Sheep Management Workshops in the Upper South East

Workshops addressing the issue of critical feed shortage in the Upper South East are being offered on 14th June at the Keith Institute and the 15th June at the Chardonnay Lodge, Penola.

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### AWI Wool Clip Event

Sheep producers from South Australia are invited to attend an AWI Wool Clip event to be held at the Burra, Booborowie, Hallett Football Club on September 26th.

The event will provide an update to wool growers on the outcomes of AWI investments at a local level.

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