



Better Grazing = Better Business



Huntingtower Hotel, Perth. Thursday 9 February 2017		
10.00	Registration & Coffee	
<i>Morning Session chaired by Emily Grant, QMS</i>		
10.20	Welcome	Jim McLaren , Chairman, QMS
10.25	Grazed Grass – the greatest opportunity in farming	Michael Blanche , Knowledge Transfer Specialist, QMS
10:55	Using Grass to Maximise Profitability	Andre Van Barneveld , Graise Consultancy, Ireland
11.40	Livestock to Profit, Through Grass	Trevor Cook , Totally Vets Ltd, New Zealand
12:20	Better Grazing = Better Business	Jim Logan , Pirntaton Farm, Galashiels, QMS Grazing Group Host
12.50	Lunch	
<i>Afternoon Breakout Sessions.</i>		
There are three breakout sessions each with one expert, plus one experienced QMS Grazing Group host or member. Delegates will rotate around the 3 sessions, each lasting 20 minutes.		
13.35	Group A Michael Shannon will share his experiences of grazing management on his own farm. Key areas for possible questions - growing more grass, grass quality, grass supply, setting up simple systems.	Michael Shannon , Thankerton Camp Farm, Lanarkshire Andre van Barneveld , Graise Consultancy, Ireland
	Group B An opportunity to ask Trevor and Jim questions. Key areas for possible questions – livestock needs at various production stages, lambing/calving dates, setting up rotational systems	Jim Logan , Pirntaton Farm, Galashiels Trevor Cook , Totally Vets Ltd, New Zealand
	Group C Alan Cowan will share his experiences from his farm. Key areas for possible questions - controlling grass, paddocks, rotations, mob size, rotation length, water supply, keeping costs low.	Alan Cowan , Westerheugh Farm, Northumberland Michael Blanche , Knowledge Transfer Specialist, QMS
14:55	Round up of the day	Emily Grant , Grassland Co-ordinator, QMS
15.00	End of Event	