

The real gift of learning

By JANE MILBURN

LEADERSHIP is not charisma and it can't be taught in traditional ways, rather it is learned from listening and watching how others behave.

Living the learning experience of the Australian Rural Leadership Program is now halfway done for the 33 individuals who make up Course 16, with the third session covering politics, lobbying and social challenges in Canberra and Sydney last week.

What a time to be in Canberra – being briefed about the pivotal role of the Upper House by retiring Clerk of the Senate Harry Evans in what is the most tumultuous fortnight of his career.

And last Monday, the Member for Groom and chief negotiator for the Opposition on the carbon pollution

reduction scheme, Ian Macfarlane gave us an hour of his time to talk about leadership, negotiation, and the art of the compromise deal.

Mr Macfarlane said that in leadership, you have to work out where the game is going to be effective and that is the huge challenge for all concerned – especially in the current climate.

After pounding the corridors of Parliament House in Canberra and understanding that the first time you are compromised is the last time you will be effective, we were transported to the back streets of Surry Hills in Sydney to learn how the other half lives.

There we spent time with Captain Paul Moulds who is doing great work with troubled youth at the Salvation Army's Oasis Centre, and engaged in fellowship with the homeless as part of the night patrol for St Vincent de Paul

at Martin Place and St Marys Cathedral.

These gritty experiences cultivate insight and empathy, and expand our world view beyond the known and comfortable.

Producing ethical, informed, compassionate leaders with commitment, strategic thinking and negotiating skills is what ARLP is all about.

The 60-day program is an amazing gift that enables you to analyse how you operate, understand what drives you and look ahead to how you can contribute in the future. It is made possible by sponsors, mine being Rural Press Ltd, publisher of Queensland Country Life.

The layers of learning help consolidate and build on what we already know, while the team environment provides a great network of peers from around Australia.

Leaders are made by their experiences and have learned how to get the best out of themselves. As part of the program, we've already had an outback learning challenge in Western Australia's Kimberley region in May and media and governance training at Adelaide in August, lobbying and social issues in November.

Next year in February, we will embark on a learning tour of India focused on agricultural trade and development as well as water security and irrigation reform, then a case study in Perth and a final session and graduation at Alice Springs in September.

Although awareness of the program is largely by word-of-mouth, selection is a highly competitive process because of the significant individual investment being made.

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Australian Rural Leadership Program participants Jane Milburn and Scott Gorrington in Canberra.

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Commencing 10 am

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- 20 Braford x steers 20-22 mths
- 35 Charbray steers 16-18 mths
- 25 Santa x steers 14-16 mths
- 50 Droughtmaster x steers 14-16 mths
- 30 Charolais x steers 12-14 mths
- 90 Droughtmaster x steers 12-14 mths 1 Brand
- 35 Santa x steers 10-12 mths
- 100 Charbray some Brahman x steers 10-12 mths
- 35 Charolais x steers 10-12 mths
- 10 Droughtmaster steers 9-11 mths
- 30 Brahman x steers 8-10 mths
- 30 Santa x steers 8-10 mths
- 20 Charbray steers 8-10 mths
- 30 Droughtmaster x steers 6-8 mths
- 40 Brahman x heifers 20-24 mths
- 30 Droughtmaster heifers 14-16 mths
- 35 Charolais x heifers 14-16 mths
- 20 Charbray heifers 14 mths
- 50 Droughtmaster x heifers 12-14 mths 1 Brand
- 30 Santa x heifers 10-12 mths
- 100 Charbray odd Brahman x heifers 10-12 mths
- 10 Red Brahman heifers 10-12 mths
- 30 Charolais x heifers 8-12 mths
- 30 Charbray heifers 8-10 mths
- 35 Droughtmaster x heifers 8-10 mths
- 20 Santa x heifers 8-10 mths
- 20 Brahman x cows
- 10 Simmental x cows & calves
- 10 Murray Grey cows & calves
- 20 Brahman Hereford x cows & calves
- 10 Charbray cows & calves
- 1 Limousin Bull 9 yrs

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STOCK SALES

Nebo Store Cattle Sale

Tuesday December 8th, 2009 - 10:00am
300 Head

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SILVERDALE STORE SALE
Sat 5th Dec at 12:00 noon

400 head

- 10 Red Brahman Steers 15mths
- 20 Droughtmaster Steers 12mths
- 15 Charbray Steers 8-10mths
- 50 Brahman Heifers 12-15mths
- 15 Charbray Heifers 8-10mths
- 10 Santa Heifers 12-15mths
- 50 Hereford Cross Cows
- 30 Brahman Cows
- 10 Brahman Cows & Calves
- 4 Santa Bulls 24mths

BOONAH STORE SALE
SAT 12th Dec - 11:00am

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NEXT CATTLE SALE

December 9, 2009
WEDNESDAY, 12.30pm

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BEAUDESERT STORE SALE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2009
500 Local Cattle Booked 500
Commencing at 9.30am

- 10 Euro x Blks 3 yrs A/c Breeder
- 15 S/G x Strs 18-24 mths A/c Breeder
- 20 D/M Strs 18-24 mths
- 10 Char x Strs 18 mths A/c Breeder
- 20 Charb Strs 15-18 mths
- 25 S/G Strs 12-15 mths
- 10 Charb Strs Weaners A/c Breeder
- 30 Euro x Strs Weaners
- 30 D/M x Strs Weaners
- 30 S/G x Strs Weaners
- 30 Euro x Strs Weaners
- 40 S/G Hftrs 12-14 mths A/c Breeder
- 20 H/F x Hftrs Weaners
- 30 Euro x Hftrs 12-14 mths
- 10 Charb Hftrs Weaners A/c Breeder
- 20 Char Hftrs Weaners
- 20 S/G x Hftrs Weaners
- 40 Euro x Hftrs Weaners
- 30 Mixed Store Cows
- 70 Top Quality Charbray Heifers No7's with their first calf at foot (1-3mths) by Huntington Bulls and been running back with bulls. Great Breeders.
- 20 Euro x Cows & Calves

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BIGGENDEN MEATWORKS & STORE SALE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7 - 9am

600 CATTLE BOOKED 600

Store Lines

- 50 Steers 18-24 months
- 50 Steers 14-18 months
- 100 Steers 6-12 months
- 100 Heifers 12-20 months
- 80 Heifers 6-12 months
- 15x15 Cows & Calves

Meatworks Cattle
15 Bulls, 20 Ox, 120 Cows, 15 Trade Heifers

For a full listing contact our office
NUMBERS MAY CHANGE PENDING WEATHER

FORTHCOMING SALES:
Store & Meatworks Sale - Monday January 11. First sale for 2010.

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CATTLE 400

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Store Cattle Sale
Monday 14th December 2009
Commencing 11 am

Including
80 Grey & Red mostly Grey Brahman Cows & Calves, 4/8 years
30 Joined Cows, Property Sold, PDK Mothered, Lots of 10 QLD24

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