All New Saltbush Products Launched in Brisbane

Industry leaders were given the first chance to see the new programs from ABRI and Saltbush in Brisbane on Tuesday.

In 2001 ABRI received a grant from the federal government as part of the ‘Backing Australia’s Ability’ initiative to develop software that covers traceability of livestock, on farm recording, quality assurance, genetic improvement and integrates corporate database systems with internet information systems.

Three of the new programs that were showcased at the Brisbane event were RaceMATE, JASMaster and HerdMASTER.

RaceMATE is a simple and practical program which allows commercial producers to meet their obligations for recording requirements and data transfer for the NLIS. It is available in 2 versions, from small producers to larger multi property enterprises.

JASMaster was designed for compliance with the Japanese Agricultural Standard (JAS) accreditation which calls for advanced and complete traceability.

HerdMASTER has been well received by stud producers, so a commercial version has been developed to allow producers to manage their cattle based on performance. This program also interfaces with the NLIS database.

With an encouraging and powerful testimonial from Zander McDonald, MDH Pty Ltd, guests were given real life situations and requirements that lead to the development of these programs. MDH Pty Ltd currently has 40,000 head recorded on the system and as older breeders are replaced all 160,000 head running over 11 properties will be on the system. ‘We wanted a system that records calving dates, sex, animal treatment history, paddock or property movements, vendor declaration information, basic average daily weight gain and pregnancy history and give real time crush side information so that every time cattle were put in the crush their individual life story was also there on the screen’.

Mr McDonald concluded his presentation with ‘We will be seeking a premium for our product, by being one of the only companies able to give real, whole life traceability on all of our herd’.

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