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Media Alert: Farmer of the Year Field Day

The NSW Farmers' Association and the NSW Department of Primary Industries are inviting farmers and interested people to attend a field day at the property of 2008 NSW Farmer of the Year, Nigel Kerin, in Yeoval this month.

The field day, which will take place on Monday 18 May at 'Karuga Park' Woolshed, Yeoval will provide an insight into the holistically managed cell grazing enterprise run by Nigel and wife Kate.

Nigel's commitment to improving the environmental health of his mixed merino sheep, cattle and cropping operation earned him the 2008 Award, and his management strategies will be on display at the field day.

Nigel and Kate have significantly boosted productivity on their property, despite tough ongoing drought conditions, due to the implementation of such strategies as cell grazing, pasture cropping and small paddock structure.

All farmers are invited to attend the field day to meet with Nigel and learn how he has adapted from a traditional form of farming to a more regenerative approach.

The field day will also include the launch of the 2009 NSW Farmer and NSW Young Farmer of the Year Awards, officiated by NSW Department of Primary Industries Director General, Dr Richard Sheldrake and NSW Farmers' Association President, Jock Laurie.

The field day is being jointly hosted by the NSW Department of Primary Industries and NSW Farmers' Association, with support from Award sponsors The Land and the Royal Agricultural Society of NSW.

Please RSVP to the Association on 1300 794 000 by Wednesday 13 May.

Date: Monday 18 May 2009
Time: 10:30am – 1:30pm (including lunch)
Location: 'Karuga Park' Woolshed, Yeoval

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