

Tasmanian Extra

Dohne rams reach \$2100

TAS DOHNES

■ 33 of 40 rams sold to \$2100, av \$1351

By **STRUAN PEARCE**

SOUTHERN Dohne Breeders Group's last sale for 2011 was held at Campbell Town recently, where 33 of 40

rams catalogued sold to \$2100 and averaged \$1351.

Kardinia Dohnes, Corowa, NSW, sold the top-priced ram and av \$1560 for its five-ram offering.

Campbell Town local Quorn Pastoral purchased the sale-topping ram and four others at a \$1520 av.



■ The Tasmanian Dohne sale's top-priced ram, with Southern Dohnes Breeders Groups members Lachie Barclay and Bill Milldren, both of Uardry, Hay, NSW; Adam Mumford, Glenaroua; Tim Woodham, Roberts Tasmania; Don Mills, Cardinia, Corowa, NSW; Bruce Barnes-Webb, Moama, NSW; John Naden, Macquarie Dohnes, Warren, NSW; stud classer Andrew Calvert, Tas; Neil Watson, Pine View Dohnes, Evandale, Tas; and Craig Robertson, Havelock Park, Stratford.

Macquarie Dohnes, Warren, NSW, sold six rams to \$2000, paid by Greenhill Trading, Campbell Town, to av a sale high of \$1600.

Uardry Dohnes, Hay, NSW, sold rams to \$1700, av \$1440, with JR Nicholson & Sons, Campbell Town, paying the top price.

The Nicholsons also took a liking to rams from Havelock Park, Stratford, av \$1000 for two.

A \$1333 ram av was achieved by DD Dohnes, Moama, NSW, which topped at \$1600.

Somercotes, Ross, was active throughout the sale, purchasing two DD Dohne rams and 12 overall to a top of \$1800 twice, av \$1283.

Tasmanian vendor Pineview Dohnes, Evandale, sold nine rams to \$1700 – paid by Esk Farms, Longford – and av \$1222 overall.

Brett Gleeson, Hayes, bought the majority of the Glenaroua Dohne offering at an av of \$1000.

The result capped off an excellent run of ram sales across south-east Australia for the Southern Dohne Breeders Group, ensuring the dual-purpose benefits of the breed will be enjoyed by many repeat buyers and a good number of new purchasers.



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Perennial pasture trials on show

FARMERS in northern Tasmania can improve profitability and productivity through more efficient pasture management with the adoption of better pasture selection and fertiliser regimes, according to Tamar Natural Resource Management (NRM).

Tamar NRM is returning for the second time to two perennial pasture field trial demonstration sites on November 23 as part of its brief to assist farming practice in the north of the State.

The aim of the trial is to demonstrate which combination of legumes and pasture mix is best suited to different soil types and

fertility options. Tamar NRM president Ian Sauer said farmers would be able to look at and discuss with experts the success of the two sites, as well as discuss fertiliser recommendations from recent soil and tissue analysis tests.

Guest speakers for the day will include Eric Hall, TIAR; Bob Reid, Tasglobal Seeds; and Lester Rainbow, Incitec Pivot.

"Two sites in the Pipers River/East Tamar district were sown since last spring," Mr Sauer said.

"Each site has distinctly different soil types and growing conditions.

"The day will give farmers real-life hands-on examples of what to do right to have long-lasting, profitable pastures and also offer the opportunity to match soil profiles with a demonstration site and then determine which combination is the best option for their conditions."

The day will start from 10am at Nangara, Pipers River Road, and then proceed to Oakbank, Saltwood Road, Pipers Brook, at 11.30am, before finishing with a barbecue lunch at 1pm.

■ Details: Tamar NRM office 6323 3310, www.tamarnrm.com.au

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2nd December 2011



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- Ashby

Open for inspection from 12noon – 3.30pm

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- Mount Vernon Merinos (Kenilworth)
- Rokeby • Streanshalh

A closing function will be held at "Winton" from 3.30pm with a tribute to the Eliza Forlonge Memorial project.

Guest speaker **Stuart McCullough**
CEO of Australian Wool Innovation (AWI)

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Thursday
8th December
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At
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31 Superfine horn rams (Rockbank bloodlines)
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Dohne flock rams av \$1838

DOHNE INVITATION SALE
 ■ 53 rams sold to \$5200, av \$1838

By **STRUAN PEARCE**

DOHNE flock rams sold to \$5200 during the seventh annual Victorian Dohne invitation sale at Ballarat last week.

Six members of the Southern Dohne Breeders Group offered 53 rams representative of the top end of their 2011 sale rams, including Macquarie Dohnes, Warren, NSW; Kardinia, Corowa, NSW; Uardry, Hay, NSW; DD Dohnes, Moama, NSW; Glenaroua, and Havelock Park, Stratford.

They enjoyed an 88 per cent clearance at an average \$1838.

The sale kicked off with Macquarie Dohnes selling one stud ram at \$7000.



Craig Robertson, Havelock Park, was keen to secure the stud sire that carries bloodlines back to the Macquarie Majestic family that had been used as a foundation sire in the Havelock Park Stud.

The AA ram has excellent meat and wool characteristics and an index of 132.21.

David and Glenda Mitchell, Bairnsdale, bought the top-priced flock ram, also offered by Macquarie, to be used over their

■ John Nadin, Macquarie Dohnes, NSW, with David Mitchell, Bairnsdale, and the top-priced Dohne flock ram.

800-head commercial flock. Selling direct to butchers at Paynesville, David Mitchell was impressed with the ram's shape and excellent figures.

A&R Everett, Rokewood Junction, bought six rams to \$3000.

Having used Dohne rams for the past three years, the Everetts have seen an increase in lambing percentages and will use the rams over Merino and F1 ewes.

Tassie buyer David Nicholson, Campbell Town, bought three rams av \$1600 and Roberts agent Brett Cox bought an AA ram at \$2700 for O'Connors, Benham, Avoca.

Speaking on behalf of the group, Don Mills was happy with the result, with rams sold to Victoria, Tas and NSW.

The group now head to Tas with 40 rams for the third annual Campbell Town Dohne Ram Sale to be held on November 3.

First ram to charity

RYEVIEW
 ■ 42 White Suffolks to \$1300

AT LAST Monday's fourth annual on-property sale at Millicent, SA, Ryeview Stud offered a line of 42 White Suffolks, seven composites, eight White Suffolk ram lambs and four Ryeland Rams.

Both the top price and average were well up on the previous year thanks to 15 registered buyers, the majority being repeat clients.

The sale-topping White Suffolk ram was bought by Greenways producer David Loxton at \$1300.

Mr Loxton, who bought four White Suffolks, av \$925, said he selected his pick on their conformation and no scurs or black spots; "basically a good, clean ram".

Volume buyer Brian Kirkland, Kirkland Pastoral, Bray, took home four White Suffolk rams and four composites, av \$762.

Another Ryeview supporter, Langkyne Pastoral Co, Furner, acquired three White Suffolks and two composites, av \$740.

As has become a tradition at the sale, stud principals Michael and Julie Osborne donated the entire proceeds of the first ram in the catalogue to the Millicent Cancer Support Group, and selling agents Elders waived commission on the sale of the ram, who was bought by Michael Ridge, Kongorong, for \$1200.

Mr Ridge bought another five rams from the top 12, av \$1066.

A selection of eight White Suffolk ram lambs, 7-8 months, were offered, av \$643, with Frank Brennan paying the top money of \$850.

- JACQUI BATEMAN

Rams to \$2300 at Naracoorte Invitational

NARACOORTE DOHNES
 ■ 28 of 38 rams sold to \$2300, av \$1310

BIDDING was in favour of those in the buying gallery at the sixth annual Naracoorte Dohne Invitation Ram sale on Wednesday last week, with 10 rams selling at the \$1000 base price.

In the breakdown, six Victorian, NSW and South Australian studs sold 28 of their 38 A and AA-graded Dohne rams, averaging \$1310.

For the second time in three years, the \$2300 top price ram was offered by Bruce Barnes-Webb, DD Dohne stud, Moama, NSW.

Linda Schneider, Jessam Downs, Western Flat, SA, paid the top money for a well-balanced August 2010-drop, July shorn AA-graded ram with good ASBV figures.

Donald Mills, Kardinia stud, Corowa, NSW, received the \$1800 second-highest price for an A-graded ram with a Dohne \$ index of 126.34.

It sold to FN Williams & Co, Lochaber, SA.

The sale's volume buyer was S&R DiGiorgio, Lucindale, SA, with five rams to a \$1600 high twice.

- CATHERINE MILLER



■ Bruce Barnes-Webb, Moama, sold the \$2300 top price ram to Linda Schneider and her father Joe Reschke. Also pictured are Elders Naracoorte livestock manager Tom Dennis and Landmark stud stock auctioneer Gordon Wood, based at Murray Bridge.

WHITE SUFFOLKS

Holding all the cards!

A

Supreme Allbreeds Exhibit, Dubbo

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Supreme Shortwool Exhibit, Bendigo

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Supreme Shortwool Exhibit (Ram), Hamilton

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Supreme Allbreeds Exhibit, Adelaide

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Supreme Lamb Production Group, Adelaide

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Support your local registered White Suffolk breeder

Macquarie Dohne Stud sale report

By Brad Wilson

Lifting their offering of Dohne rams by 39 to 167 to cater for all their clients' requirements, Macquarie Dohne stud, Warren still managed a total clearance of all rams for the third year in a row, to average an impressive \$2150.

Stud Co principal Greg McCann addressed buyers prior to the sale saying that the Dohne breed has established itself on the landscape of the sheep industry, the biggest improvements in the breed has been in wool quality.

Dohnes ewes are now being realised as a financially productive commodity he said. With the forecast for rain and the skies looking promising, the script could not have been written any better, with the first drop falling as the majority of the utes, loaded with their purchases were heading up the driveway.

Buyers from across New South Wales and Queensland shared in the draft with thirty three sheep producers all taking home rams, which sold from \$1000 to \$4000.

Highlights of the sale were the appearance of new faces and the confidence return clients had in the rams.

Mike and Annie O'Brien, "The Brigalows", Carinda and Mark and Miranda Winning, "Mona Station" Bollan Queensland paid the \$4000 equal sale top price.

Mr O'Brien said he was very pleased with their 10 rams they purchased that averaged \$2820.

It was a very good assembly of top quality young rams in the sale, which catered for all grades and price levels, he said.

The Winning family, Bollon, Queensland who purchased at the first National Dohne sale in NSW in 2002 took home six rams, which included their \$4000, AA, 133.07 indexing equal top priced sire, to average \$3067.

Walgett producers were prominent with repeat clients Dennis and Trish O'Brien, "Cryon Station" and the Evans family "Netherby" Walgett securing 12 and 11 rams respectively to average \$2766 and \$2255.

Other buyers included Neil Arnold and sons, Condobolin who paid to \$3400 for 8, averaging \$2550, while Caranga Pastoral Company; Garah averaged \$2116 for their twelve sires.

Mr Arnold said he was looking for rams with nourishment to handle the soil type on their property North West of Condobolin.

The Macquarie rams are big up standing sheep with an excellent selection available, as the quality holds up the whole way through the draft.

Volume buyer was Chris Carrigan, Welbon Grazing, Garah who joins 3000 to 3500 Dohne ewes, averaged \$2092 for his draft of thirteen.

Mr Carrigan said he liked Macquarie Dohne genetics for the price he attracts for his surplus sheep sales, their fertility and wool production.

Macquarie Dohne stud have a diverse genetic base and provide excellent client relationships, he said.

Other significant buyers included return purchasers David Hawker, Cunnamulla, Queensland and Bill Yates, "Amondale", Garah also securing nine rams, while the Jackson family, "Tirlta Station", Broken Hill averaged \$1254 for thirteen.

In the memory of Tom Nadin the proceeds of lot 150 were donated to the Warren Sensorimotor Programme.

The Warren Sensorimotor Programme is a community funded programme for children in Warren, which provides children with Occupational Therapy, Speech and Physiotherapy assistance.

In an admirable gesture the Evans family, Dennis, Trish, Mike and Annie O'Brien, Walgett along with their families purchased the ram for \$2200 and donated the ram back to be auctioned again, which in turn was purchased by the Low family, Wyalong for \$1400.

The sale was conducted by Elders and Landmark with Paul Dooley and John Settree as the auctioneers.