

Macquarie Dohne Stud

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Macquarie – One breed, one focus

The 2009 ram selling season heralded one of the most successful for Macquarie with 174 rams selling at auction to a top of \$8,000, a \$1,947 average and a 99.42% clearance. Rams sold to five states with six rams selling to dohne studs.

These results can be attributed not only to the growing popularity of the breed but to the strict classing and assessing regime undertaken by James Koster since 2001.

This, along with the continual flushing of our top special stud ewes, has ensured the quality of our stud ewes which in turn provides the best quality rams available and the reason why Macquarie is one of the leading dohne seed stock providers in Australia.

Quality is paramount at Macquarie. The previous wet summers have provided us with an opportunity to class heavily and put more emphasis on wool quality. A rigorous classing of our 2,000 mixed age stud ewes in November 2008 cut our numbers back to 1500. This has helped ensure that the wools are going to handle the wet conditions. This was evident on a recent client run throughout Southern Victoria. Not only had the wools stood up to the extreme wet conditions but so had the feet.

At Macquarie we have **one stud, one breed** and one focus. **No 'hybrids'** at Macquarie but registered pure-bred dohnes that have been assessed under the guidelines set down by the ADDBA. Dohnes that will breed consistent and true to type.

Our subjective philosophy is to produce dohnes that are early maturing, structurally correct, wide and deep



MD070496 "Empire 3rd"

On Property Ram Sale 2009 Top Price of \$8,000 purchased by Dave and Annie Berrell Midgery Dohne Stud Walgett, NSW pictured with Greg McCann and Tom Nadin.

through the twist, neck extension, long and deep bodies that are free of blemishes' and carry a long stapled, soft handling, bright, deep crimping wool with plenty of character, style and nourishment.

Our objective philosophy is to concentrate on body weights (with particular emphasis on the 200 day weight), eye muscle (we currently have the leading sire in Australian for Eye Muscle EBV- Majestic 07-583 +2.7) and fleece weight while maintaining fibre diameter, co-efficient of variation and comfort factor. We have been weighing our stud ram and ewe lambs at 200 days and using this weight in our selection of sires and special stud ewes. This is the age that we see our clients marketing their lambs in the future.

John Nadin

Inspection 10am

4 Stud Sires

140 AA & A Rams

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7th Annual On-Property Ram Sale

Wednesday 29th September 2010

35kms North/West from Warren on the Carinda Rd

Sale 1pm

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Elders Stud Stock
Bevan Jolly 0419 033 202

Landmark/Landmark Wilson Russ
Trevor Wilson 0428 667 561

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Stud History

Macquarie Dohne Stud was registered in 2000 with a 50% share of the first Dohne embryos imported into Eastern Australia. Since then, large scale embryo transfer programmes have enabled Macquarie to become one of the largest and most genetically diverse Dohne studs in Australia with 1500 registered pure-bred stud breeding ewes in 6 families. Macquarie sold 400 rams in 2009 to NSW, QLD, VIC, SA and Tasmania.

Macquarie genetics have influenced major Dohne studs in NSW, QLD, SA, Victoria and Western Australia through semen, rams and stud ewes. Macquarie has 400 rams for sale in 2009 giving clients a large and diverse selection.

Macquarie's results speak for themselves.

- ❖ Top priced ram at the National Dohne Sale 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 & 2008 (last attendance)
- ❖ Australian record at auction twice \$16,000- 2003 and 20,000- 2004
- ❖ Highest average price National Sale 2002 & 2006.
- ❖ Highest average on-property sale Eastern Australia 2004, 2006, 2007 and 2009
- ❖ Top price and highest average at Australian Sheep and Wool Show 2004 & 2005 (last sale)
- ❖ Top price Hamilton Sheepvention 2004, 2006 & 2010. Highest average 2007, 2008 & 2010.
- ❖ Top price and highest average South Eastern Breeders Sale 2008.
- ❖ Top price and average at the Eastern Riverina Sale 2005 (last sale).
- ❖ Top price and average Victorian ram sale 2005 and 2008. Top price and record 2009.
- ❖ Top price of \$10 000 Riverina sale 2003(sale ended)
- ❖ Victorian record price of \$15 000 Australian Sheep & Wool Show 2006 (Private treaty)
- ❖ Top price Inaugural Tasmanian sale 2010.

- Macquarie exhibited the overall champion pen of Dohne x lambs (F3's) at the 2006 Southern Meats Hook Competition with an average dressed weight of 28.7kg and an average yield of 50.2%.
- Macquarie also excelled in the Fleece Competition at the 2008 National Expo & Sale taking out 3 Champions ;
 - Champion Pure Dohne ewe – 6.58kg (skirted), 19.8 micron
 - Champion Pure Dohne Ram lamb – 5.63kg (skirted), 18 micron
 - Champion Pure Dohne Ewe lamb – 5.14kg, (skirted) 18.3 micron
- Macquarie was the most successful Dohne exhibitor at the 2009 Australian Fleece Competition;
 - Champion Dohne Exhibit
 - Reserve Champion Dohne Exhibit
 - Most Valuable Commercial Fleece (duel-purpose class)

Sale Results

Macquarie thanks all buyers and underbidders for their continued support and confidence at sales during the last twelve months.

6th Annual Production Sale

A spectacular result for the largest offering of dohne rams in Australia. Four stud rams sold (100% clearance) to \$8,000 and averaged \$6,125. Top price was paid for 07-496 Empire 3rd by David and Annie, Berrell Midgery Dohne Stud Walgett. Craig and Janet Robertson, Havelock Park Dohne Stud Stratford Victoria paid \$7,000 for 07-475 Olympus 5th and Fiona and Darren Cameron, Koonik Dohne Stud Nurcoun Vic paid \$6,000 for 07-424 Majestic 4th.

138 flock rams sold (100% clearance) to \$4,500 and averaged \$1,825. Top price was paid by Don & Karen Mills, Kardinia Dohne Stud Corowa NSW for a Majestic family ram. Volume buyers included Michael O'Brien 'The Brigalows' Carinda 17, Dennis O'Brien 'Cryon Stn' Cryon 16, Robert Woodward Swan Hill 15 and Chris Carrigan 'Welbon' Garah 11. Overall 142 rams offered and sold for a \$1,946 average.



MD070424 "Majestic 4th"

Bill Mildren (sheep classer and consultant, Wodonga), Darren and Fiona Cameron, Koonik Dohne Stud Nurcoun, Vic and John Nadin with the Cameron's \$6,000 purchase.

MD070475 "Olympus 5th"

Tom Nadin, Janet and Craig Robertson Havelock Park Dohne Stud Stratford, Vic and Greg McCann with the Robertson's \$7,000 purchase.

'I believe that these two sires are so far the best bred at Macquarie and typify our breeding objectives' JN

4th Annual South Eastern Breeders Sale Naracoorte, SA

Offered 13 sold 12 flock rams for a \$1,642 average. Top price of \$2,800 was paid by Max and Ian Pilgrim Minimay Vic for a Majestic family ram.

5th Annual Victorian Sale, Elmore

The sale was an outstanding success for Macquarie, topping the sale at \$7,000 and recording an average of \$2,420. In the breakup two stud rams offered and sold for an average of \$5,250 and 13 flock rams offered and sold for a \$2,500 top and a \$1,907 average.

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Top price stud ram was paid by Bill and Margie Pye Calga Dohne Stud, Coonamble NSW for an Ace family sire. This was a record price at the Victorian sale.

The second stud sire, from the Empire family, was purchased for \$4,500 by Rob, Liz and Angus McColl, Meredith Vic.

The top priced flock ram of was purchased Keith Hocking Dingee Vic for an Apollo family ram.

Inaugural Macquarie Victorian Stud Ewe Sale

Offered and sold 140 mixed age stud ewes for a \$349 average. Top price of \$500 per head was paid by Michael and Adrienne Edgar Mithril Dohne Stud Ceres Vic for a pen of 2006 drop ewes. Grahame and Helen Crawford, Goldvale Dohne Stud, Kingscote SA paid \$400 per head for another pen of 06 drop ewes. Rob Everett, Rokewood Junction paid \$420 per head for a pen of 05 drop ewes.

Neville Triplett, Barnadown Dohne Stud Epsom Vic paid \$230 for a pen of 04 drop ewes and Steve & Debbie Buckland Winkleigh Tasmania paid \$140 for a pen of 02 drop ewes.

Innaugural Southern Dohne Breeders Tasmanian Rams Sale

Campbell Town was the venue for Tasmania's first multi-vendor ram sale in February. Macquarie offered 15 and sold 13. Macquarie topped the sale at \$2,100 paid by Woodlock Stud of Canowindra for an Apollo family ram. AW Singline & Sons paid to \$1,800, Colin and Pip Gibson Epping Forest 2 rams to \$900, Steve & Debbie Buckland \$1600, Bill Webster two rams to \$1700 and Dave Nicholson \$1700.

Hamilton Sheepvention 2010

Macquarie offered and sold 5 to \$3,750 (equal top) and averaged \$2,800 (highest). Top price was paid by Dave & Glenda Mitchell, Bairnsdale for a Majestic family ram. Phil and Dorn Oldham, Hamilton bought 2 rams for \$2,750 each and Keith Boatman, Crowlands one at \$3,250

Client Results

Congratulations to the many clients of Macquarie who have enjoyed continued success during the last twelve months. A few results are listed below.

Uardry Dohne Stud, Hay NSW

- Congratulations to Uardry on selling a ram for \$22,000, an Australian record for a dohne ram. This ram was sired by MD06-3471 an Olympus Family Sire.

Ian & Max Pilgrim, Minimay Vic

- 11 month F2 wether lambs av 25.38kg dressed to return \$131.94 per head. These lambs netted \$13 wool in July. Total return \$144.94

Mark & Miranda Winning 'Mona' Bollon Qld

- 460 F2/F3/F4 08 drop ewes \$138.50 per head.

Grantley Filmer Tintinara, SA

- October 09 drop F3 ewe weaners, January shorn sold in April 2010 for \$130

Dennis O'Brien 'Cyon Stn' Cryon NSW

- 276 CFA F1 dohne ewes av dressed weight 28.4kg and returned \$126.50 per head. The top 150 returned \$135 per head.

Jim Brennan 'Dunmore', Warren NSW

- F2 wether lambs to \$135 and averaged \$127.53. These lambs topped the dohne/ merino section at Dubbo saleyards.

Alex Druce 'Paringa', Warren NSW

- Complete drop of wether lambs, sold to \$140 and averaged \$125.

Colin & Pip Gibson, 'Esk Vale', Epping Forest Tasmania

- F1 lambs 8/9 months \$106 and \$104
- 3rd place in the carcass section at the inaugural Campbell Town prime lamb competition 2010. These were F1 wethers and were up against terminal sire progeny.



Colin & Pip Gibson's F1ewe weaners displayed at the 2010 Campbell Town Show. These are the sisters to the 3rd placed (carcass) lambs in the inaugural prime lamb competition at the 2010 Campbell Town show.

Phil & Dorn Oldham, Hamilton Vic

- Spring lambing ewes av 142% lambs
- Autumn lambing ewes av 134% lambs

Stephen & Theresa Speers Red Lion Vic

- Stephen commented that on weaning Dohne lambs and Poll Dorset lambs, same age and run together, that the dohnes equalled the dorsets on body weight.

Paul & Rebecca Jenkinson, Shelford Vic

- 7/8 month F1 lambs av \$128

Neil Arnold, 'Currawalla' Condobolin NSW

- F2 sucker lambs 5 months old \$94.80 (Sept 09)

Chas Armytage, 'Delamere' Willaura Vic

- 9/10 month old F2 store lambs \$104

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- Spring 2010 Sale Calendar -

7th Annual On-Property Ram Sale

Wednesday 29th September

Macquarie Dohne Stud, Warren.

10am inspection – 1pm sale

- 4 Stud Sires
- 140 specially selected rams

5th Annual South Eastern Dohne Breeders Sale

Wednesday 20th October

Naracoorte Showground

Naracoorte, SA

9am inspection – 1pm sale

- 10 Specially selected rams

6th Annual Victorian Dohne Sale

Friday 22nd October

Elmore Field Day site

Elmore, VIC

10am inspection – 2pm sale

- 2 Stud Sires
- 10 Specially selected rams

2nd Annual Tasmanian Dohne Sale

Thursday 4th November

Campbell Town Showground

Campbell Town, Tas

10am inspection – 2pm sale

- 10 Specially selected rams

Pre-sale inspection -

Contact John Nadin 0427 474 610

Sheep Classing

For flock and stud classing -

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QLD - Bruce Toms 0418 518 508

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