

# Macquarie Dohne Stud

Newsletter

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2020 Calendar

## Macquarie year in review

Despite the trying times, 2019 has been a successful year for Macquarie and our clients.

- Sire MD17-4342 opened and closed the year as the highest ranked 2017 drop Dohne on the SG database.
- Very successful embryo transfer program where, for the first time, Greg transferred all doubles resulted in an 80% stick rate and 142% weaned.
- Most successful exhibitor at the Australian Sheep and Wool Show;
  - ❖ NSW Champion Single
  - ❖ NSW Champion Pair
  - ❖ National Reserve Champion Pair
  - ❖ Best Single Fleece (< 81mm) For the second year in a row
  - ❖ Best 3 fleeces (< 81mm) For the second year in a row
- Record auction price for a Dohne ram in Victoria for \$13000.
- Flock rams to \$6000 (equal in Australia at an on property auction 2019) and a 100% clearance at our 16th annual production sale.



Associate Judge Tegan Falkner - Elders, Mt Gambier SA, Event Sponsors Anthony Shepherd - Sheeppatters, Cootamundra NSW, John Nadin and Judge Charlotte Treloar.- Elders, Broken Hill NSW.

SEPTEMBER

17<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Production Sale

September

Macquarie  
Ram Depot,  
Ballimore NSW

150 Specially  
Selected Rams



Chris Clemson  
0428 287 222

Auctioneer

Paul Dooley  
0458 662 646

OCTOBER

16<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Victorian Ram Sale

October

Ballarat  
Showgrounds,  
Ballarat VIC

30 Specially  
Selected Rams



Ray Attwell  
0428 836 136

## Macquarie year in review (continued)

**Client success continued through both Auctions Plus and the saleyards.**

**Too many to mention but some highlights;**

- Tony Falkenhagen of Louth topped the Dubbo sale in September with 550 late June shorn wethers selling to \$225 and averaging \$211.
- Mark, Sue & Sam Evans , Walgett sold 870 off shears, 3 1/2 year old ewes for a top of \$213 and a \$210 average on Auctions Plus in October.
- Chris & Lachie McLellan, Clunes Victoria, sold 243 1 1/2 year old March shorn ewes for \$202 on Auctions Plus in December.

As mentioned previously, if you are are non-mulesed it would be worth signing up with the Authentico Integrity Scheme by The Schneider Group. Register at [gschneider.com/registrations](https://gschneider.com/registrations).

Dohne wool that Schneider knows of fits the specs perfectly for some of their overseas clients. In fact, Schneider purchased the entire clip of one notable Macquarie blood breeder recently. So that Schneider can see what they have purchased in the past and keep their eye out in the future, could you please email your bale brand to Tanya [macquarie@dohnes.com.au](mailto:macquarie@dohnes.com.au) and we will forward to Schneider. As Schneider is an exporter, this could benefit you greatly. Schneider, will not receive any other details besides your brand.

A big thank you to the Macquarie staff, Robyn and the Nadin clan, Central West Genetics, secretary Tanya Barton, classer James Koster, seedstock agents Chris Clemson and Russell Hiscox of Clemson Hiscox & Co, auctioneer Paul Dooley, all associated classer's and agents and especially our loyal clients who continue to support us through such trying times.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a wet, wet, wet, 2020.

John and Greg



## 16th Annual Production Sale

Our 16th sale topped at \$6000 and averaged \$1880 with a 100% clearance.

The rams representing five families; Ace, Majestic, Olympus, Empire and Wardry, sold to Victoria, South Australia, Queensland and New South Wales.

A volley of bids both on the phone and on-site saw Majestic 180459, a twin, sell to a top price of \$6000. He had a post weaning eye muscle depth (PEMD) of +2.6 and was purchased via the phone for commercial breeders Craig and Jude Ross, Balmoral, Victoria. They also purchased a second ram from the Majestic family for \$4000.

Volume buyers were composite breeders Mt Elephant station, Derrinallum, Victoria, who purchased 15 rams. They are looking to do a trial with the Dohnes to maintain their growth rates and carcase attributes and reduce their micron.



*John Nadin and one of the volume buyers Michael O'Brien, Come-By-Chance, inspecting the sheep.*

## Grade Rams

We have late November shorn grade rams in working condition available.

Free delivery to most areas.

Please phone John - 0427 474 610.

## 15th Annual Victorian Sale

Macquarie's sold 17 rams to \$13,000 and averaged \$2779. This was a record price at auction for a Dohne ram in Victoria.

The top priced ram, Empire 17-4684, was purchased by the McColl family, Bamganie, Victoria. The ram was the Champion New South Wales ram at the 2019 Australian Sheep and Wool Show and a member of the Reserve Champion National Pair.

He was in the top 10pc for PWT and YFDCV with figures of post-weaning weight (PWT) of 6.2 kilograms, a post-eye muscle depth (PEMD) of 1.1 millimetres, post-weaning fat (PFAT) of 0.4mm, a yearling clean fleece weight (YCFW) of 10.5 per cent and yearling fibre diameter co-efficient of variation (YFDCV) of -1.3pc.

The second top-priced ram Wardry 16-2966 sold to the Ellis family, West Wail Dohne Stud, Pimpinio, Victoria for \$5000. 2966 was the



*Stephen Chalmers, Landmark, Tim Lord, Arcadian Wool, Maddi, Rob and Liz McColl, Ross Milne, Elders, and Macquarie's John Nadin, with the top-priced ram.*

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