

Macquarie Dohne Stud

Newsletter

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2021 Calendar

Macquarie year in review

For the majority of our clients the drought conditions began to ease albeit late in some areas.

The improved season proved how Macquarie blood perform. Some client results;

- O'Brien Family, Cryon NSW – CFA ewes ave dressed weight of 38kg
- Culverson Family, Orange NSW - 10 month wether lambs \$220
- O'Brien Family, Come by Chance NSW - Wether weaners \$147
- Evans Family, Walgett NSW - sucker lambs straight off mum ave 49kg
- Koster Family, Gurley NSW - sucker wether lambs \$152
- Perry Family, Warren NSW - estimated 32kg dressed wether lambs topped the Dubbo lamb market at \$232
- Sanders Family, Tintinara SA - sucker wether lambs \$144
- Currey Family, Walgett NSW - hogget ewes fleece weight topped at 9.5kg and averaged 6.4kg
- Hawker Family, Cunnamulla QLD - m/a ewes on AuctionsPlus \$335
- Warby Family, Mungindi NSW - store wether lambs \$179.50
- Fox Family, Coonabarabran NSW - lambs \$175
- Mt Elephant Station, Derrinallum VIC - store wether lambs \$138
- Berrell Family, Walgett NSW - sucker lambs \$153.50

SEPTEMBER

18th Annual Production Sale

September

Macquarie
Ram Depot,
Ballimore NSW

**150 Specially
Selected Rams**



Chris Clemson
0428 287 222

Auctioneer

Paul Dooley
0458 662 646

NOVEMBER

16th Annual Victorian Ram Sale

November

Ballarat
Showgrounds,
Ballarat VIC

**30 Specially
Selected Rams**



Ray Attwell
0428 836 136

Macquarie year in review (continued)

Demand for rams exceeded expectations. Stud and flock rams selling throughout NSW, QLD, VIC, SA and Tasmania. Rams topped at \$5000 (2) at our 17th annual on property ram sale and \$5000 at the 16th annual Victorian ram sale.

We believe this year's rams were amongst the best offered especially considering the disastrous start they had. As stated previously, the wool quality and cut would match any merino enterprise and the carcass shape and growth rates would far exceed any.

We are currently flushing 50 elite ewes. Elite sire 19-1457 to be used extensively in our upcoming AI and ET programs.



Tag No	Dohne Plus Index	
MD191457	168.8	
PWWT	PEMD	PFAT
7.1	0.5	0.1
YCFW	YFD	YDCV
7.5	-0.2	-1.6

Elite sire 19-1457, with 5 months wool growth.

James Nadin is home for the next 12 months which will free up time for client catch up. For those that haven't filled in the survey please do so that we can time a visit around shearing. Seeing what is happening at the commercial level is important to us.

Dohne Shearing Survey - [Click Here](#)

Thank you for your continued support, to Clemson Hiscox, all supporting agents and all the staff at Macquarie in particular Tanya Barton for all work she does behind the scenes.

Wishing everyone a wonderful Christmas and Prosperous 2021.

John Nadin



Around the Traps - Victoria

Oliver Vidor, livestock manager Mt Elephant Station, Derrinallum VIC, going through Macquarie rams.

Mt Elephant run 10,500 composite ewes. In an endeavour to increase the wool value whilst maintaining fertility and growth rates, 15 Macquarie rams were purchased for a trial . The 15 Macquarie maiden rams were joined to 1200 3 & 4 year old composite ewes (1.25%) and were the top performers at pregnancy scanning ;

- 166 % foetuses
- 70 % multiples
- 2.5 % dry



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Around the Traps - South Australia

Will Nadin, Stud Representative, classing hogget ewes at Gav & Lisa Sanders, Tintinara SA.



Will Nadin and Gav Sander.

Around the Traps - New South Wales

James Koster classing a beautiful line of young Dohne ewes at Michael O'Brien's , 'Kincora' Come-By-Chance NSW.



Michael O'Brien and James Koster.

Wayne Culverson , 'Heatherdale' March via Orange NSW classing during his annual shearing.



Wayne Culverson.

Classing hogget ewes at Sebastian & Noel Fox, 'Yerinan' Coonabarabran NSW.



Noel and Sebastian Fox.



Sebastian and Noel Fox Macquarie blood ewes.

Around the Traps - New South Wales (continued)

Hogget shearing at the Currey family , Brewarrina NSW . These young ewes averaged 6.4kg , a magnificent result considering the drought conditions the ewes were in for the 6 months of growth.

Credit must go to Robert Campbell, the Currey's sheep classer for 32 years and a regular at Macquarie's on property ram sale, retired this year.



Currey's Fleece weight 8.9kgs

Jim Currey inspecting his shorn ewes.

17th Annual Production Sale

All 119 rams sold for a top price of \$5000 twice and an average of \$2101, a growth of \$221 on last year.

Rams were sold to New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania and South Australia and bidding started as convincingly as it ended for the very even draft of rams.

Twenty-four bidders onsite were joined by 41 registered bidders and 39 viewers on AuctionsPlus.

The first two rams both topped the sale at \$5000. The first two rams both topped the sale at \$5000. One sold to the Berrell family, Midgery Dohne Stud, Walgett and the other to an AuctionsPlus bidder Glenaroua Dohne Stud, Kilmore Victoria.



16th Annual Victorian Sale

The sale was moved back a month due to COVID-19 restrictions but that didn't stop 46 rams being offered by three studs.

Macquarie's sold 9 rams to \$5,000 and averaged \$2056.

The top-priced ram Macquarie Lot 6 was purchased by Chris and Helen Carrigan, Welbon Grazing Co, Garah, NSW, who was purchased through Ross Milne, Elders, via phone.

The August 2019-drop ram was in the top 10 per cent for post weaning eye muscle depth (PEMD), and the top 30pc for post weaning weight (PWT), post weaning fat depth (PFAT) and yearling fibre diameter (YFD).

Mr Carrigan has been running a Dohne flock since the early 2000s, but due to drought conditions in his area they are currently carrying 3000 ewes.

"We've been using Macquarie for a while, due to their diverse genetics," he said.

Under-bidders on the top-priced ram the Pilgrim Bros, Minimay, secured the second top-priced ram Lot 7 also from Macquarie Dohne Stud for \$3250.

Ian Pilgrim was purchasing on behalf of the family operation, who are return buyers to the Ballarat sale.

The August-drop ram was in the top 30pc for yearling fleece weight (YCFW) with a figure of 13.2.

"We purchase from the Ballarat sale every second year, using the rams to breed our own rams over the 2000 ewes we are running," Mr Pilgrim said.

"The ram was one of our picks for the sale, due to its nice, white face and being clean on the points."



Elders stud stock agent Ross Milne, Hamilton VIC, with John Nadin, Macquarie Dohne Stud and Andrew Sloan, Nutrien stud stock, Geelong VIC.

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