

Macquarie Dohne Stud

Newsletter

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Macquarie year in review

After three consecutive wet years along with high sheep and lamb prices, 2023 was disappointing on the price side coupled with the majority of our clients receiving well below average rainfall, fed sheep for most of the year and didn't plant crops. Unfortunately the cost of production remains extremely high causing many sheep producers to cut back on numbers and, in some cases, get out of sheep altogether. As we know, livestock production is long term especially genetically. The result of breeding decisions made now aren't realised for twelve to twenty four months.

As the year closes the lamb market is back to sustainable prices and wool EMI has picked up 100c. Unfortunately mutton and re-stocker prices remain below par.

On a positive side, 2023 in some respects was one of our most successful. At the Australian Sheep and Wool Show in July, we had a record showing of the Dohne breed in Australia taking out 24 broad ribbons including Supreme exhibit, Grand Champion Junior and Senior ram, Grand Champion Pair, Grand Champion Group and Champion Group of 3 fleeces (5th time in succession) along with the Most Successful Exhibitor.



*Peter Nadin,
Uruguayan
Merino Dohne
Association
President
Marcelo
Grattarola
and Grace
Nadin with
the Supreme
Dohne
Exhibit.*

2024 Calendar

SEPTEMBER

Pre-Sale

Viewing Day

Friday

13th September

9:30am to 4pm

Macquarie Ram

Depot,

Ballimore NSW

21th Annual

Production Sale

Wednesday

25th September

Macquarie

Ram Depot,

Ballimore NSW

200

Performance

Rams

The auction will be
interfaced with
AuctionsPlus.



AuctionsPlus

Macquarie also performed exceptionally well in sire evaluations. At Ballmoral MD19-1457 is the trait leader in post weaning weight, hogget weight, eye muscle and fat yet only 5% behind he average on fleece weight.

Weight and Carcase	Breeders flock, Sire number	Progeny No*	WWT (kg)	PWT (kg)	HWT (kg)	HEMD (mm)	HFAT (mm)	YWEC	Weight and Carcase
	Anderson Poll, 190669	45	-0.4	0.4	3.9	-0.2	0.6	10	
	Austral Park, 190003	39	1.8	-0.4	-4.8	-0.6	0.1	1	
	Centre Plus Poll, 707350 (Link)	52	-1.6	-0.6	-1.9	1.9	1.3	28	
	Deep Dene Poll, 170472	30	-0.5	-0.7	-0.5	-0.4	-0.1	0	
	Forest Springs Poll, 190193	41	0.1	0.8	-1.1	1.8	0.7	-5	
	Gelton Poll, 190140	44	3.0	3.6	7.9	-2.4	-0.9	-25	
	Glen Holme, 194902 (Dohne)	39	2.3	1.3	-2.2	2.0	1.1	116	
	Glendemar, 190612	34	0.5	1.9	0.7	0.9	0.3	7	
	Konsortium Merino, 180459	36	-0.1	1.0	-0.1	-0.2	0.1	-58	
	Kurra-Wirra, 191190	40	0.0	-0.5	0.8	0.2	0.4	-24	
	Langdene, 140700 (Link)	40	-0.5	-2.4	-3.8	-1.7	-1.1	41	
	Macquarie Dohne, 191457	39	2.2	5.7	5.9	1.9	1.3	-18	
	Mumblebone, 191128	34	3.1	2.7	5.2	1.2	0.8	-25	
	Nerstane, 160404	35	-1.7	-2.8	0.4	-0.9	-0.9	-6	
	Roseville Park Poll, 180043	37	-1.7	-1.6	-2.1	-1.2	-1.3	9	
	Stud Park South, 082348	39	-3.4	-5.8	-8.9	0.0	0.0	18	
	Turkey Lane, 190180	45	-3.5	-3.8	-2.4	-0.2	0.4	40	
	Willandra Poll, 180447 (Link)	29	-0.6	-1.7	-2.5	-1.3	-1.1	14	
	Woodpark Poll, 160058	26	0.9	2.3	3.8	0.4	-0.2	-16	
	Woodyarrup, 120175 (Link)	41	0.4	0.7	1.7	-1.3	-1.4	-33	

Balmoral Merino Sire Evaluation Site Report

Due to the economic and climatic situation , as expected our annual on property ram sale was back on previous years selling 152 rams for a \$1900 average and topping at \$5000. However, grade ram sales have been healthy and we’ve sold genetics to all sheep producing states in Australia highlighting the versatility of Macquarie Dohnes.



John Nadin, Macquarie Dohne Stud, Chris Clemson, Clemson Hiscox & Co, Bruce Bryant, Peter Milling Co, Grace and Peter Nadin, Macquarie Dohne Stud, and auctioneer Paul Dooley.

Our sire battery is by far the best we've had and we are looking forward to classing up the 23 drop rams in March. Adding to our sire battery is a young sire (purchased with Kardinia Dohne Stud) from Stirling Dohne Stud, Western Victoria. Stirling Dohnes are run in the toughest environment in Australia and we are looking forward to the genetics this ram has to offer.



Murray Rogerson, Stirling Dohnes, with the 13 month old sire Macquarie purchased with Kardinia.

During the year we were privileged to have visits from Uruguayan Dohne Breeders and students from Tocal Agricultural College.



Uruguayan Dohne Breeders at Macquarie Dohne Stud.

Wishing all clients, supporters and Macquarie staff a Merry Christmas and thank you for your continued support.
John and Greg.



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