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Kiandra Poll Merino

Bred for all conditions



Welcome to the Kiandra Newsletter

What a year! As 2020 comes to an end, we realise how fortunate we are in Australia and to be in agriculture. COVID 19 has seen “unprecedented” events through the world, but somehow we have been able to continue safely in our farming world.

Our on-property auction was able to go ahead, with a few extra precautions and the introduction of Auctions Plus. There is much to be learnt with this system for the auctioneer and vendor, but we will persist with the virtual world, one of the big developments this year. We were very pleased to clear 76/80 rams, a great team of rams with the ASBVs we are working towards. Post auction Ryan has been busy researching and acquiring new sires, without even crossing the state lines!

As we race toward Christmas, the hay is in the shed and the wheat is coming in. Our clients have reported wonderful results in selling their surplus ewes, reward for effort and time spent understanding and using Australian Sheep breeding values.



***Wishing everyone a very
peaceful and prosperous 2021.***



DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Ram Sale

2ND SEPTEMBER 2021

Client Success

Lymn Farms offered the following line of ewes on Auctionsplus that sold for \$290 on Dec 8, this is the agents comments

"Great run of Kiandra blood mixed age Ewes with predominantly the mob being 1.5yo. 140 Green, 83 Orange & 69 Yellow - which are 3.5yo from vendor's previous tagging system. Vendor is passionate about his sheep and has been buying Rams with asbv's for over 10 years. On Ram selection, vendor focuses on high growth rate, high clean fleece rate and commits to always improve fertility, staple length/colour and meat. Aiming to run a plain, easy care sheep that maximises \$/head" - Lymn Farms

Kiandra Poll Merino Nutrition

We have begun working with Anthony Pearce, an animal nutritionist, on the best start we can give the Kiandra rams and to optimise their genetic potential. We see this as a benefit to the ram and the buyer, as instead of trying to grow the ram out later in the year on grass, we give it the best start earlier in the life cycle. Presently we are trail feeding barley and they look excellent.

Mulsing

For 15 years we have been breeding for a plain bodied animal, with low breach wrinkle and dag score. The past 2 years we have stepped it up by purchasing sires with low worm egg count (WEC) and breach wrinkle ASBV. The point of this long term breeding direction will enable the you to access the non mulsed wool markets



Merinotech 199048

Top 1%	YEMD(4.1)	NLW (20)	YDCV (-2.7)
YFAT (2.7)	YSL (21.59)	IMF (1.2)	DP+ (226)



Highest bidders pictured with Ryan and Sarah Kluska, they are loyal buyers from the EP, McCauley, Kerran Glover and Craig Wheare. They paid \$6300 for lot 9, a good combination of wool and ASBVs. Dave Whittenbury, the Quality agent also joined the sales photo above.

2021 Joining

This year we plan to join 1500 stud ewes and the top 100 ewe lambs for ram breeding. It will result in an increased depth of quality of rams available for sale in the 2022 sale team.

We joined 120 ewes, 5 & 6 years old in Nov. 2020 to four Kiandra stud sires. These were:

Wallaloo Park 180026
Wallaloo Park 150539
Merinotech 188003
Mumblebone 191085

We will use the same rams in Feb. plus:

Kiandra 150734
Kiandra 191564
Kiandra 181424
Kiandra 180330
Kiandra 180307
Kiandra 170995
Kiandra 170906
Kiandra 160038
Kiandra 160039
Petali 180666
Merinotech 199048