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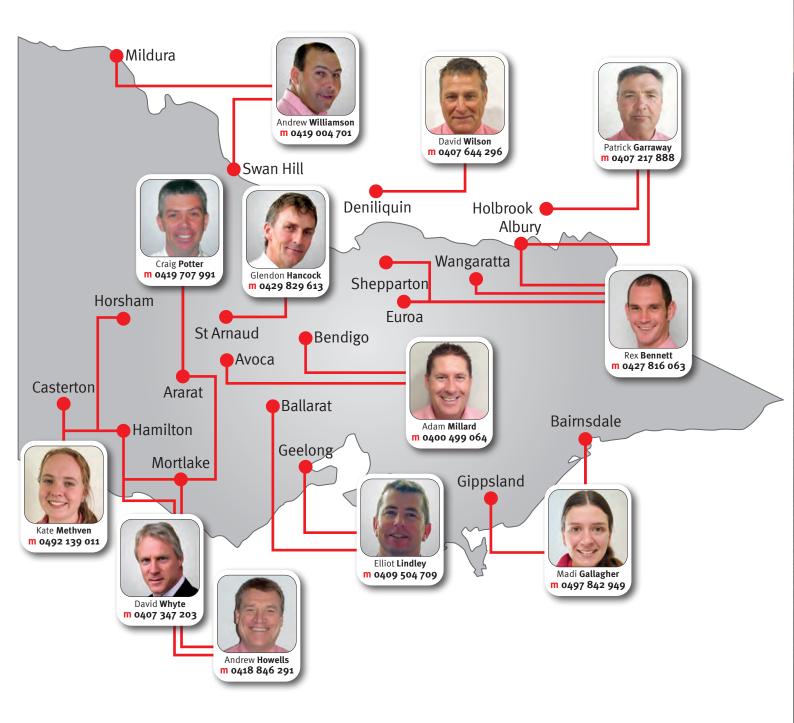
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## **President's Welcome**



I would like to welcome everyone to the 2025 Loddon Valley Stud Merino Field Day.

The season has been very dry and challenging for all parts of our region. We have welcomed an improvement in lamb prices, with mutton seeing a slight recovery.

Surely wool has reached the bottom of its cycle. By our Field Day I hope that we have seen an increase in prices.

Given the reduction in production nationally, a marked increase is needed for all producers to remain profitable given the increasing costs in all areas of our business.

Most Loddon Valley Stud Merino breeders have had good ram sales considering the difficult season and market. This is due to their commitment to breed a progressive and profitable merino suited to their environment.

Akeringa, East Loddon, Longdale Park and Wattlebank have chosen to leave our field day group. I would like to thank the Bennett, Hooke, Kirk and Glen families for their participation over the years they have been involved.

Our Field Day will showcase 4 studs on property and 9 studs at Serpentine with a great collection of trade displays.

The successful fleece competition run by Michell Wool will return for all studs and their clients to enter, so please save your fleeces to bring on the day.

The pen of 3 ram lambs and the pen of 3 paddock run ewe lambs will be judged by Malcolm and Luke Nicholls from Macehill Stud in Gippsland.

Thank you to Robyn McGauchie for her work as Secretary, book coordinator and web page administrator.

Thank you to Charmane Bennett for her work on the Facebook page.

Thank you to all participating studs and sponsors for ensuring the continuing success of our Field Day.

Kevin Hynam, President

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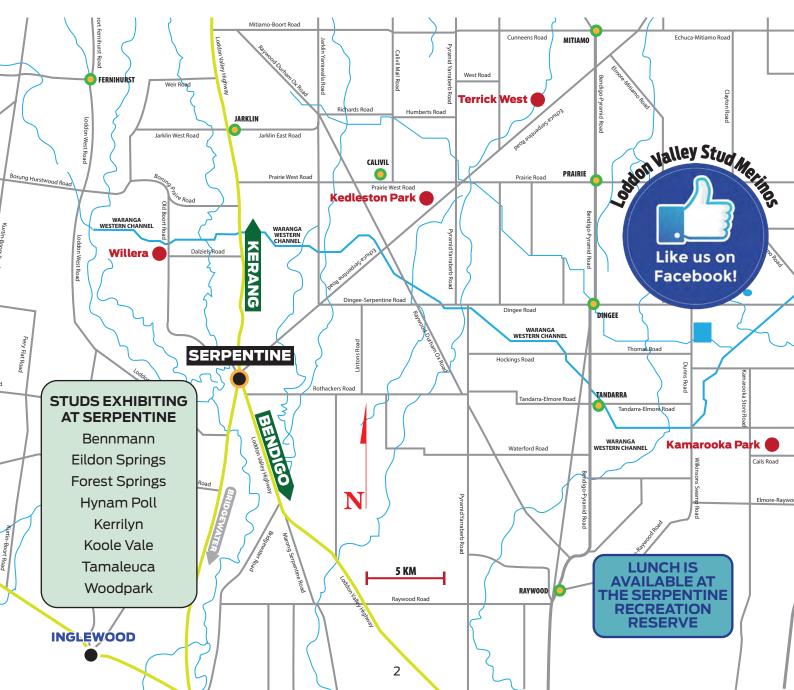
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## **Belvue Creek**



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#### Merino & **Poll Merino Stud**

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Obligation free inspection of rams mid September. Viewing of August shearing welcome by appointment. Wool clip average 2023 August shearing - 19.8 micron. Wool Cut per head average was 8.0 kg.









- First in section & Reserve champion medium exhibit, Second in section & Most Valuable commercial fleece group 4 and last is third.
- 2. 2022 drop at 6 months old.
- 3. Bob and Jay shearing 16 month old sires. Six months growth of a massive free combing weight of 7.5-8kg of high yielding wool respectively.
- 4. Champion Fine exhibit & 2023 Most successful stud exhibitor

#### **LAMBING 2024**

Overall we got 104% 6 week joining, all naturally joined All lambed in 4.5 weeks

#### **Poll ewes scanned** 149% in lamb

- Sire Ban Neil-190009 joined
- 84 with one dry He cut March-August 5.6kg August-March 9.6 = 15.2kg, paddock run Lambs marked 127%

#### 2023 drop 15 month old weaners

- hooked as lambs averaged \$159 per head wool value of \$60
- totaling \$219 per head income



## **Best Pen of 3 Rams - Previous Winners**

2003	Karwoola	<b>Judges: Jock McCrae, Ken Heale</b> Competition Winner: Steven Beavis, Maryborough VIC
2004	Concordia	Judges: Derrick Russell, Micheal Collins Competition Winner: Paul Brady, Willaura VIC
2005	Traverston	Judges: Robert Harding, Peter Hicks Competition Winner:
2006	<b>Kedleston Park</b>	Howard Hepburn, Woodstock West VIC Judges: Rex Bennett, Clyde McKenzie Competition Winner: Frank Headon, Benara, Hay NSW
2007	Terrick West	Judges: Athol Frederick, John McGrath Competition Winner: Ray Rowe, Stawell VIC
2008	Terrick West	<b>Judges: Rogera and Tim Polkinghorn</b> Competition Winner: Patricia Zock, Pyalong VIC
2009	Kedleston Park	<b>Judges: John Crawford, Warren McRae</b> Competition Winner: Bill Waters, Francis SA
2010	Kedleston Park	<b>Judges: David Davies, Jim Dickson</b> Competition Winner: Murray McKenzie, Kilfeera Park, Benalla VIC
2011	Woodpark Poll	<b>Judges: Pat Brown, Chris Bowman</b> Competition Winner: Clyde McKenzie, Deniliquin NSW
2012	Panorama	<b>Judges: Phil Toland, Murray McKenzie</b> Competition Winner: Lindsay & Sandra Filbey, Goornong VIC
2013	Woodpark Poll	Judges: Peter Rogers, Daniel Rogers Competition Winner: Glendon Hancock, St Arnaud VIC
2014	Kerrilyn	<b>Judges: Allan Stewart, Kelvin Prendergast</b> Competition Winner: Ralph Sartori, Strangways VIC
2015	Woodpark Poll	Judges: Steve Phillips, Kevin Crook Competition Winner: Ron Laurie, Raywood VIC
2016	Kedleston Park	<b>Judges: Sandy Jelbart, Ben Hartwich</b> Competition Winner: Mike Edwards, Welshpool VIC
2017	Woodpark Poll	<b>Judges: Paul Hendy, John Barty</b> Competition Winner: Coral Maxted
2018	Kerrilyn	Judges: Warren Russell, Rod & Harry Miller Competition Winner: Andrew Campbell, Redesdale VIC
2019	Koole Vale	<b>Judges: Wayne McClure, Peter Fitzgerald</b> Competition Winner: Chris Rothacker
2020	Kedleston Park	<b>Judges: Brent Flood, Will Crawford</b> Competition Winner: Phil Toland
2021	Kedleston Park	<b>Judges: Richard Beggs, Pat Millear</b> Competition Winner: Graeme Maxted, Calivil
2022	Kamarooka Park	<b>Judges: Ric Ridgway, Ray Schroeder</b> Competition Winner: Ross Dohnt, Maldon
2023	Woodpark Poll	<b>Judges: Murray McKenzie, Phil Toland</b> Competition Winner: Tim Jenkinson, Hay South
2024	Terrick West	Judges: Daniel Rogers, Will Miller Competition Winner: Luke Harrison, Bendigo

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Our core focus is to deliver productive Poll Merino Sheep. We breed our sheep, keeping in mind the characteristics that make merinos desirable and profitable. The outcome is sheep with extremely soft, well defined crimping white weatherproof wools on a substantial meaty frame.

Acquisition of rams from Moorundie Poll, Moorundie Park & One Oak Poll Merinos have enhanced our overall body size & constitution. Along with our own Bennmann (BM) stud rams, which is further strengthening the already welldefined foundations of frame, constitution & nourished wools, whilst adding depth to our genetics, which are proven to stand up in high rainfall environments.

## STUD GENETICS 2024 STUD SUCCESS

This year our rams have been sold within North East Victoria to existing as well as new clients & also into the Riverina. A large number of the rams sold were sons of Bennmann 20244. Sons of Glenlea Park 180011 and Bennmann Syndicate sons were also sold. These results are a great testament to the Bennmann Poll merino genetics. "Breed with Confidence"

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#### **ANNUAL FIELD DAYS & SALES:**



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BENDIGO : Australian Sheep & Wool Show

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SERPENTINE : Loddon Valley Field Days

#### **STUD DIRECTION**

- Sires being used for 2024 joining/ 2025 drop: BM 244, BM 188, Moorundie NE 32-80, Moorundie Park, BM 003 (RA241), One Oak 23B487 & Grassy Creek 183.
- Studs that have integrated Bennmann genetics into their breeding program with rewarding results - Pendarra, Woodpark, Hynam Poll, Kerrilyn & Macehill.









Claire, Peter and Paul Routley, Ross, Chris Bowman at Terrick West



Robyn McGauchie presenting Life Membership to Bob Rollinson



Peter Colvin and John Humbert - Kedleston Park Poll Merinos



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#### **Bob Rollinson**



Principals: Rollinson Family Address: 'Concordia' Mysia 3518

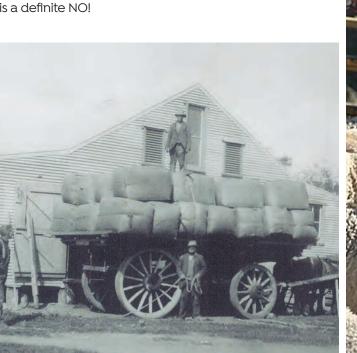
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Manager: Bob Rollinson Classer: Bob Rollinson Although still a member of the Loddon Valley Stud Merinos, Concordia will not be displaying in 2025.

The "Concordia" stud was founded in 1920 by the late Lindsay (Darb) Rollinson on Wanganella ewes and rams. Since the early 1950s the stud has been managed and classed by his son Bob Rollinson.

Our breeding objectives at "Concordia" have remained unchanged – to big framed, strong constitutional sheep producing long stapled soft handling fleeces.

2 & 3 year old sheep average 22.5 microns. Weaner sheep are finer while the older sheep a little stronger. Finer in age is a definite NO!

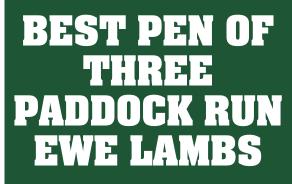






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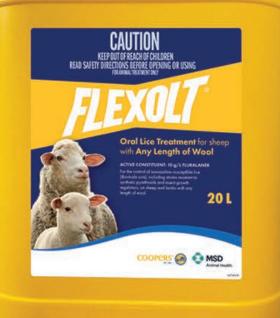
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#### We are very happy to attend and display a few of our rams at this year's Loddon Valley Field Day.

Eildon springs is located near Lexton on the Sunraysia Hwy around 3km north of the town with an average rain fall of 600mm.

Eildon Springs is based on Stockton Blood line for over 20 years.

The objective of Eildon Springs stud is to produce large framed sheep that cut more wool and produce long, lush, well crimped white wool with a high yielding carcass.

We shear our entire flock every 8 months, averaging 80mm in length & 4.5kg with an average micron of 17.5. Our lambing percentage in 2023 was 95%.

We are a non-mulesed stud for over 20 years and now Responsible Wool Standard certified, both of which we are extremely proud of.

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- On Property, average of \$ 2078, 70 of 100 sold, top price of \$4500 twice Ramsgate Merino Stud
  - Classings Classic 230619 to Colleburra Merino Stud for \$10000
  - Classings Classic -230466 to Nantoura Merino Stud for \$8500
    - Classings Classic -230048 to Traverston Park for \$7000
    - Classings Classic sold 7 of 8 top of \$10000, average of \$5428

These results and achievements are proving that always being innovative to produce top quality is really paying off for us and our clients. Thank you once again and welcome to Forest Springs Merino Stud.

#### **2024 Field Day Balmoral Breeders Merino Sire Evaluation Results**

2022 Drop Results	Brogony	Hogget		Marking Post Weaning		Yearling	Hogget				
2022 Brop Results	Progeny No*	TOPS	CULLS	BRWR	BDWR	DAG	FLROT	COL	CHAR	LEGS	FACE
Breeders flock, Sire number	INO .	(%)	(%) BRWR	BDWK	DAG	FLRUT	COL	СПАК	LEGS	FACE	
Anderson Poll, 200519	44	0	-8	1.9	2.4	3.7	1.6	2.1	2.7	1.6	2.3
Austral Park, 180015	38	-2	4	2.4	3.0	3.6	1.3	1.9	2.8	1.9	2.4
Benefield Poll, 200055	37	17	-15	1.4	2.3	3.2	1.3	2.0	2.2	1.4	2.5
Boxleigh Park, 181057	43	16	-15	1.4	2.0	3.4	1.2	2.1	2.5	1.9	2.5
Centre Plus Poll, 707350 (Link Sire)	31	4	-2	1.9	2.3	3.1	1.4	2.2	2.4	1.8	2.3
Connewarran, 017223	27	6	-5	3.0	3.3	3.2	1.1	1.6	2.9	1.8	3.0
Deep Dene Poll, 180020	49	2	-9	2.0	2.6	3.4	1.4	2.0	2.4	1.8	2.9
Forest Springs Poll, 200102	31	19	-15	1.9	2.4	3.1	1.3	1.9	2.1	1.7	2.5
Glen Holme, 206139 (Dohne)	42	-11	14	1.4	2.2	3.3	1.8	2.4	2.6	1.6	2.2
Hannaton Poll, 200155	46	-3	9	1.8	2.5	3.5	1.6	2.3	2.6	1.8	2.6
Hazeldean, 002980	33	-10	20	2.5	3.2	3.8	1.9	2.4	2.6	1.6	2.8
Karalta Poll, 180953	42	-8	-3	2.9	3.2	3.3	1.1	1.7	3.5	2.0	2.7
Kurra-Wirra, 200572	25	-1	-7	2.1	2.3	2.7	1.2	1.8	2.4	2.0	3.0
Merinotech WA Poll, 177269	32	2	-12	2.4	2.8	3.7	1.4	2.0	2.5	1.7	2.0
Miramoona, 140012 (Link Sire)	35	1	-8	2.1	2.3	3.7	1.4	2.0	2.8	1.8	2.7
Mooralla Poll, 200087	46	2	-14	2.3	2.8	3.4	1.3	2.1	2.7	1.8	2.8
Mumblebone, 200904	39	-5	10	1.4	2.4	3.5	1.7	2.4	2.6	1.9	2.4
Roseville Park Poll, 173116	32	-10	16	2.2	3.0	3.9	1.6	2.1	2.7	2.2	2.4
Stud Park South, 085227	28	-13	10	2.5	2.8	2.7	1.3	2.0	2.2	1.5	2.7
Willandra Poll, 180447 (Link Sire)	27	-5	30	2.2	2.9	3.7	1.8	2.2	2.3	1.7	2.8
Wongara Poll, 190017	33	-1	0	2.4	2.8	3.2	1.4	2.0	2.6	2.1	2.8
Progeny Group Average	36	13	23	2.1	2.6	3.4	1.4	2.1	2.6	1.8	2.6
*Progeny No is at weaning Further assessment results after shearing for the 2022 drop will be available in the Site Report released via me											

#### **Visual Trait Assessment**

An independent classer grades all progeny as either Tops, Flocks or Culls based on their visual assessment of all traits relative to the Site's Breeding Objective. This classing reflects the approach that may be undertaken in a commercial flock and is presented as a deviation from the average score. Progeny are also scored, between 1 and 5, on a range of visual traits which are also reported as deviations from the average score. Scores are reported as adjusted sire means.

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Classings Classic Ram Sale at Murray Bridge - September 1

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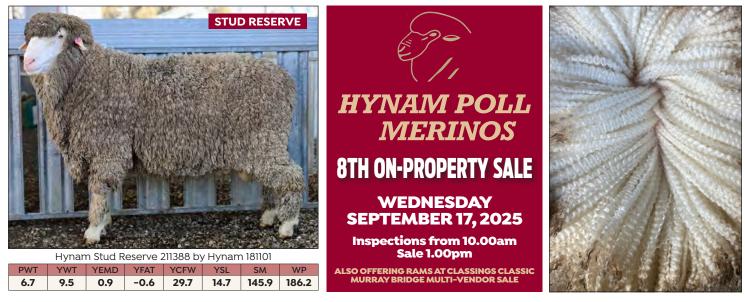


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Based initially on Large SA bloodline, recent infusions from Wallaloo Park, Gunallo, Ridgway Advance, Forest Springs and Triggervale we have continued to maintain our adult sheep under 20 micron, cutting 5-6 kg with staple length of 80-90 mm in 8 months.

Our rams perform successfully throughout the North East, Western District, Mallee, Central, Southern Vic, SA and Southern NSW. We will be offering rams at Classings Classic Murray Bridge multi vendor sale as well as our On Property Sale to be held 2025 on 17 th September at 1pm. At our 2024 On Property we received a top price of \$3400 and averaged \$1602. At Classings Classic we received a top price of \$9000 and averaged \$5083.

With the aid of breeding values (ASBV'S), genomic testing and visual selection we continue to improve on traits, growth, fat, eye muscle, clean fleece weight and staple length. We have ceased mulesing and are implementing 8 month shearing with positive results. We are now RWS accredited.





Lot 70, Hynam 230453 by Ridgway Advance 210080, sold for \$9000 (L-R Kevin Hynam, James Dunn)

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Lot 10, Hynam 231071 by Hynam 200157, sold for \$3400 (L-R Kevin Hynam,Rob,Michelle and Chris Brown

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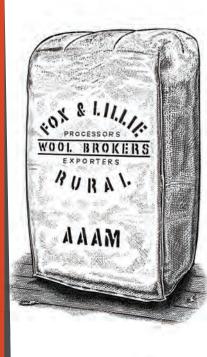
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## <u>Kamarooka Park Poll Merinos</u>

#### **EXHIBITING ON-PROPERTY**

Principals: Erroll & Jan Hay Address: Home Estate, Kamarooka, Victoria 3570 40kms north of Bendigo, 20kms west of Elmore Phone: (03) 5436 9250 Mobile: 0457 436 925 Rainfall: 450mm Stud Classer: Erroll Hay Stud Advisor: Michael Elms Ovine Johnes Vaccinated for 16 Years Accredited Brucellosis Free



#### KAMAROOKA PARK WAS ONE OF THE TOP 25 VICTORIAN STUDS FOR THE SALE OF RAMS IN 2023

Erroll and Jan welcome visitors to our Loddon Valley Merino Field Day, on Friday, 28th February 2025.

#### Light refreshments will be available at our on-property display.

We are looking forward to 2025 where we will have the progeny from our four Ridgway Advance Sires on display at our Loddon Valley Field Day and at our on property Ram Sale Tuesday 16th September 2025.

We are continually encouraged that buyers are looking for rams that are naturally run, grass fed and unhoused. They successfully cope with the elements and continue to thrive in these conditions.

At our Ram Sale 2024 we had competitive bidding by new and returning clients along with a strong presence of stock agents. We would sincerely like to thank McKean McGregor Bendigo, Fox and Lillie Rural, Elders Bendigo and Ararat, Paul (Pav) Kinnaird from PPHS South Australia.

We would like to congratulate Will (Buster) Holt from McKean McGregor Bendigo for being crowned the best young Victorian Auctioneer at the Australian Livestock and Property Agents Association's Competition at Mortlake 2024. Buster has been involved selling KPP Rams for the last two years. Well done Buster.



Erroll Hay, Alistaair Knight, auctioneer Will Holt, Jason and Richard Knight with their top price ram that sold for \$3,200



This year we lost Shane Blackman from Bart 'n' Print. Shane has been a close and personal friend and has assisted us with our Ram Sale Catalogue, Field Day booklet and other printing.

We'll miss his cheekiness, fun and expertise. Shane will be very sadly missed.



Nick Punton, Erroll Hay, Bill Punton, Will Holt and Adam Millard with the equal top price ram that sold for \$3,200



First time buyers Sam Burston of Mount East Ada Poll Stud is pictured with Tom Miller and Errol Hay. The ram sold for \$3,000

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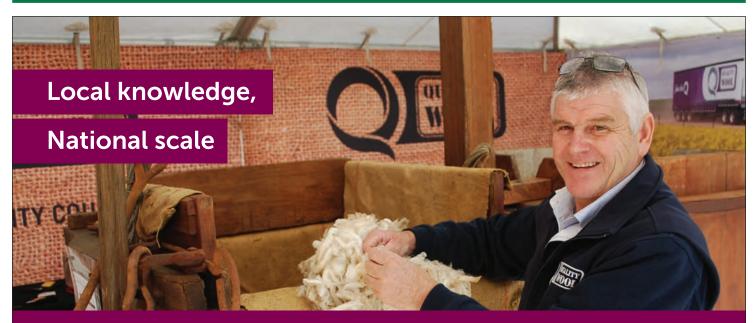
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#### **EXHIBITING ON-PROPERTY**

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Stud Master: John Humbert Stud Adviser: Steve Chalmers Ovine Johnes Approved Vaccinate, Brucellosis Accredited

#### John and Rosemary wish everybody a warm welcome to Kedleston Park's on-property display.

Our breeding objective is to produce balanced Merino sheep producing quality and quantity of lambs, mutton and elite wool to produce profitable outcomes for our clients, to keep their sheeps enterprises highly profitable. We are using Genomic Testing, Merino Select, ASBV figures as an aid in Sire selection for ourselves and our clients.



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The versatility and all purpose qualities of our Merino Ewes, our surplus ewes joined to White Suffolk rams produced lambs that topped the Bendigo fat lamb market in July at \$309 per head. The same day our Merino wether lambs topped the Merino section at \$235 per head plus had shorn \$60 of wool, giving them a total return of \$295.

We will be glad to see you at the Field Days and wish everyone a profitable year in 2025.



Reserve Ram sold privately for \$20,000 before the Auction.



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## Kerrilyn Merino

Norm Weir with Australian

#### EXHIBITING AT SERPENTINE RECREATION RESERVE

Norm Weir

Principals: Norm & Kerri Weir Address: 599 Bealiba South Road, Dunluce Vic 3472 Norm: 0409 917 413

Email: kerrilynmerinos@gmail.com Website: www.kerrilynmerinos.com Gudair vaccinated since 2005 - Brucellosis Accredited

Kerrilyn had the honor of supplying the wethers for the Victorian School Wether Challenge. Sixty-six wether lambs were shorn on the 4th March 2024 and eleven different schools from most parts of the Victoria picked up six wethers each and took them back to their schools.

It is a credit to all schools that not one sheep was lost as sixty-six wethers were shorn again at Clunes on the 28th August 2024.

Just short of 6 months growth under very different management conditions they cut 3.77 KG without the belly wool, averaged 19.9 micron with a staple length of 67 mm.

It is interesting to see that the 3 heaviest cutting sheep that shore over 5 KG were 2nd 3rd and 5th in fleece values. The sheep that had the 5th highest fleece value and the 3rd highest wool cut also had the best EMD figure of 42 at 70.5 KG live weight.

Wool cut and meat can be done.

Kerrilyn had great results at the Australian Sheep and Wool Show in 2024 winning the Most Successful Stud fleece exhibitor. This included the Reserve Champion Fine\ Medium fleece, the Reserve Champion Strong fleece and 1st place in the Superfine and Strong wool ram sections.

At the Marnoo Victorian State Merino Field day, Kerrilyn was awarded the best display ribbon and made the final 4 in the pen of 3 rams. The Natte Bealiba FNC (premiers) fleece show Kerrilyn won Champion Fleece and McClelland's, one of our clients, had the heaviest fleece.





 Ram lamb 2024 from the Grand champion

 Ram lamb 2024 from the Grand champion

 Barnedium wool ewe 2023, above.

 Ram Born 30-10-2023 Body Weight 75 KG

 1-0-2024 still a lamb July 2024 wool tests.

16.7 micron 2.9 SD 17.3 CV 99.9 CF

LODDON VALLEY STUD MERINOS

## **Kerrilyn Poll Merino**



### KERRILYN MERINO & POLL MERINO STUD

**14TH ON-PROPERTY SALE** 

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 2025





This Ewe is one of the twin lambs shown in the photo with her mother and sister, below. Born 26-8-2023 Body weight 76 KG 31-10-2024 still with lamb's teeth. July 2024 wool tests 17.3 micron 2.8 SD 16.2 CV 99.8 CF

Australian Sheep & Wool Show, Bendigo 2023 Reserve Grand Champion Fine Medium Wool Ewe of the Show, Champion Fine Medium Poll Ewe & Victorian Bred Fine Medium Ewe with her twin ewe lambs in August 2023. THE ANNUAL



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## Koole Vale

#### Alan Harris



#### **EXHIBITING AT SERPENTINE RECREATION RESERVE**

Principals: Alan & Prue Harris Address: 617 Nagambie Road Costerfield Vic 3523 Telephone: 03 5433 2860 Mobile: 0417 058 780 Email: koolevale.merinos@bigpond.com Web: www.koolevale.com.au Ovine Johnes Vaccinated (Gudair) since 2005 - Brucellosis Accredited





#### Koole Vale is situated at Costerfield 13kms from Heathcote on the Nagambie Rd. The Stud was established in 1995.

Sires used to breed in our stud have been selected on strict criteria, ensuring our type, aims and goals are consistent and productive. Sires bred by Rangeview, Orrie Cowie and Belbourie genetics have been used with great success.

Our aim is to have a good framed, versatile merino that cuts plenty of white waterproof wool of Fine-Medium to Medium type, that keeps dust out and tests positive.

Productive merinos are our simple philosophy, not comprising on wool cut, long deep bodies with good barrel and having good fertility are all key profit drivers that keep our clients profitable and sustainable.

Our 9th On Property Ram Sale topped at \$3300 to long time client Bill Barlow of Wanalta. The sale averaged \$1475. The White Suffolk rams sold to a top of \$1300. Thanks goes to our clients who had their rams shorn and wool donated to MND. The top priced ram Lot 3, cut 9.4kg of wool in 7 months and measured 44mm eye muscle depth, this epitomises our breeding principles, a balanced, productive merino. The first 6 rams in our sale were all over 40mm EMD.

In 2025 we will hold our 10th On Property Ram Sale on Wednesday 24th September. On offer will be approximately 50 Poll and Merinos and 35 White Suffolk Rams. We offer a select few top rams at Bendigo.

#### 2024 Highlights

#### Loddon Valley

- Champion Fleece
- 2nd Pen of 3 Ram Lambs

#### Wimmera Autumn Merino

- Champion and Reserve Champion Medium Ewes
- Reserve Champion Fine Ram
- Ballarat
  - Champion Medium Ram
  - Champion and Reserve Champion Medium Ewes
- Hamilton
  - Champion and Reserve Champion Medium Ewes
  - Reserve Champion Medium Ram
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Kevin Crook

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#### Kevin and Danni welcome you to their Display at the 2025 Loddon Valley Stud Merino field day.

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This is the approach we are taking at Tamaleuca Poll Merinos. We desire to breed a large frame sheep which carries a good quality and quantity of wool, as we get paid in kilos for our wool and carcase.

The 2024 season was a very busy one for us, as once again we headed to Blackall Queensland to compete in the State QLD Merino Sheep Show. We came home with being sashed the Supreme Sheep of the show with our strong wool ewe "Stella".

We also competed in numerous shows and field days across Victoria, NSW and SA.

The 2024 season has been extremely dry in most parts of Victoria and South Australia which had an effect on most sheep sales.

We were very excited to have a total clearance at our annual on property ram sale but did see the average down a little on the previous years. To help with the dry season we decided to drop our sheep numbers a fraction so we could continue with the doing it well approach by concentrating on the quality of the sheep in the stud.

With the close of the 2024 year, we wish everyone a better 2025 season and hope to catch up with all our friends, clients and everyone in the sheep game.

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**2025 SALE** 

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Website:www.terrickwest.com.au

Classer: Ross McGauchie Stud Advisor: Chris Bowman Ovine Johnes Free, MN-3 Vaccinated, Brucellosis Free





Principals: C & E McGauchie



TW 230223 sold for \$20,000 to Demondrille Stud NSW

#### Welcome to the 2025 Field Days.

The team at Terrick West are very happy to welcome you to our 2025 Field Day

Once again, our stud has had a very successful show and sale season.

Interest has been very strong despite the very difficult season across Victoria and South Australia.

We are all looking forward to improved wool prices and seasonal conditions in 2025.

Our young stud sire TW 220405(Max) won the Supreme Junior Ram at Bathurst Show in February. He was shorn again in March and went on to be Grand Champion March Shorn Ram in Dubbo and Reserve Champion in Adelaide.

We have had good interest in semen sales from him with 400 doses sold so far.

We were very pleased with our wonderful success at Bendigo Sheep and Wool Show.

TW 230182 was judged Champion in the All Purpose Class in the show and then went on to top the Ram Sale at \$25,000. Purchased by Overland Poll Merino Stud NSW.

TW 230223 also placed first in the Fine Wool section of the All Purpose Class and sold for a second top price of \$20,000 to Demondrille Poll Merino Stud NSW.

Our On Property Sale results were 80 rams Offered and averaged \$3188.

Looking forward to catching up on the 28th February 2025.



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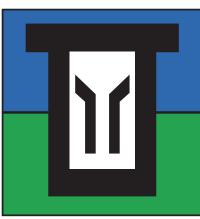
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#### ON PROPERTY RAM SALE Friday, 29th August 2025 "Wadalla" - 1072 Old Boort Road, Bears Lagoon

1. Willera Merinos has a simple breeding objective, but with layers of priority and focus, first and foremost our stud breeding structure is based around maximising production out of our commercial flock, i.e. meeting spec on contracted wool with micron and length at 6 months with our entire clip, finding the optimal ratio between growth and wool cut as to maximise the efficiency of our animals, in terms of feed conversion.

On the back of that comment the growth, be it early growth is pivotal to our system as it allows our trade stock to reach processing spec as fast as possible and in the female sense gives us the ability to join ewe lambs at 9 months. Less time in the paddock means more grass for breeders.

On a "type" front, which many breeders talk about we are looking for consistency and uniformity within the stud flock, that gives us the ability to utilise our genetics on a broad scale and from a ram selling point of view provide evenness yet diversity within individuals for clients.



#### Displaying at "Wadalla" - 1072 Old Boort Road, Bears Lagoon

2. Choosing our genetics is looked upon by many of our clients from a proof point of view, "they're genetics are working for them, we want a piece of it too".

Our rams are ticking a lot of the boxes that are important to us. • Uncomplicated phenotype, but genetically diverse.

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- High yielding carcasses
- Long white well marked wools
- Our shearing teams love shearing our good combing, wrinkle free animals.
- Ethically grown therefore meeting consumer demands
- High conception, rearing ability, and weaning rates.
- Proven by ourselves that they perform in a range of climate zones.
- Structurally sound
- Efficient in terms of grass conversion to wool, meat, and lambs.
- 3. Below are some tables showing the ASBV averages of some of the key production traits we look heavily at, the red numbers are our Sire team for 2023/24 joining/lambing.

The bottom table shows the same traits but are the industry averages.







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**Stephen Huggins** 

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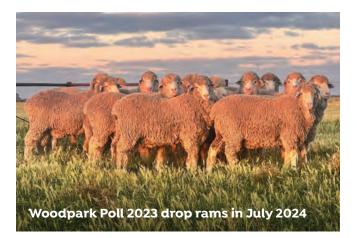
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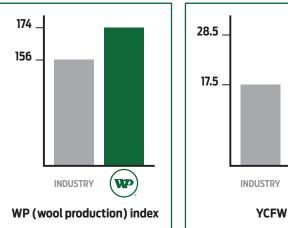
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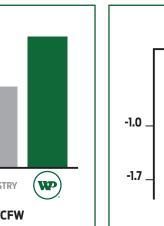
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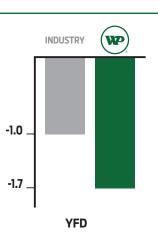
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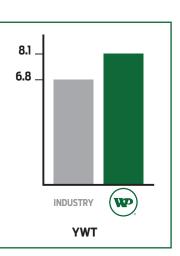


#### Where Woodpark Poll Sits in the Industry









#### Last 10 rams sold of 604 rams sold in 2023 ram season

TAG No.	SIRE	MICRON	SD	CV	CF	YWT	YEMD	YFAT	CFW	FD	MP+	DP
22-106	18-238	18.3	3	16.3	99.7	9	1.1	-0.5	31.8	-1.6	196	208
282	20-238	18	2.7	15.2	99.8	10.6	1.4	-0.5	33	-1.6	194	202
333	20-238	16.6	2.7	16.2	99.9	13.3	0.5	-0.09	11.6	-3.1	180	191
471	20-566	18.4	2.8	15.1	99.7	7	-0.7	-1	41.3	-1.8	207	202
597	18-163	17.2	2.8	16.2	99.6	7.3	0.2	-0.4	22	-2.2	167	171
753	19-168	16.7	3	17.9	99.6	7.5	0.5	-0.6	29.7	-2.4	189	195
760	19-015	17.4	2.9	16.7	99.8	5.9	0.5	0.1	26	-2.3	180	185
1062	19-623	18.1	2.7	14.7	99.5	7	0.8	0.4	28.3	-2.3	183	186
1066		19.3	3.5	18.3	98.9	7.6	0.5	-0.2	34.7	-1.2		
1271	20-195	16.2	2.4	14.8	99.6	7.6	-0.2	0	17	-3	190	198
Merino Select		Select	Top 1%		Top 5%	Top 1	0%	Top 20%	Top 3	80%		

ASBVs of last 10 rams of 600 sold this season. Sold in March this year six months after the first rams sold.

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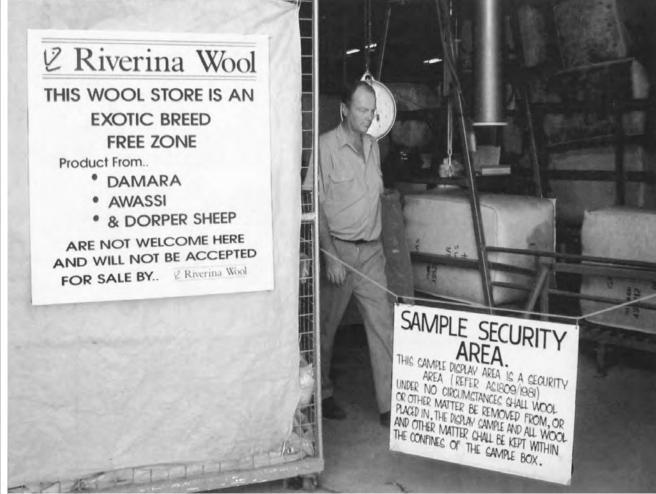
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