



BINDAWARRA MERINO STUD

"Profitable sheep for all areas"

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Ram Sale Preview

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BINDAWARRA NEWS

Preview of Sale Rams for 2014 Selling Season

Bindawarra will again be taking one pen of five rams to Hamilton Sheepvention this year. The rams have grown out very well this year and are looking good. We will also be showing rams at the Ballarat Sheep Show on July 27th. If you are nearby, we invite you to come along to inspect these rams.

Hamilton Sheepvention & Bairnsdale Sale Rams

Please find following the test results and comments about each of the top rams that will be offered this year. Rams that are not taken to Hamilton may be offered at Bairnsdale. Further ram fleece test results can be found on our website. See details next page.

Tag No	Sire	Micron	SD	CV	Comments
115	358	17.0	2.8	16.5	Huge ram, long stapled, good crimp. Hard to fault.
167	162	16.6	2.2	13.3	Big, plain white ram with a long staple. Has presence.
229	33	18.0	2.5	13.9	Younger poll. Smaller build with elite, long white wool.
377	253	16.5	3.2	19.4	Long, white, heavy cutting wool. May have been over-
328	253	16.0	3.1	19.4	Bold thick wool. Heavy cutter. Should not be over-looked.
256	344	18.1	2.9	16.0	Good length staple with nice crimp. Well structured body.
239	344	16.8	2.4	14.3	Good wool, nice build. Hard to fault. Productive.
142	KP	17.3	2.8	16.2	Very good. Well grown, has presence.
246	344	17.7	2.8	15.8	Lovely ram, typical Bindawarra type.
343	253	16.5	2.1	12.7	Nice even sheep. Wool has tested the best of team. May

Open Day—July 9th 2014

We had almost 60 people brave the cool weather to visit us on our open day on July 9th. The rams presented very well with many positive comments. We have found that the Open Day is the best opportunity for clients and agents to inspect the rams at their leisure.



Panoramic photo of visitors to Open Day 2014

We are Online!!

After a lengthy delay and problems in cyberspace that are beyond our comprehension, we finally have a website. As Lisa designed the site with assistance from Emily, the site is basic, but we hope that you will use it to keep in touch with what we are doing. All newsletters, ram details and contact details will be on the website. Please let us know what you think!! www.bindawarra.com.au

And we are also on Facebook, thanks to Emily again. Please like us to keep even more up to date with what is happening at Bindawarra.

Australian Sheep and Wool Show—Bendigo

Bindawarra fleeces have again won prizes at Bendigo. Steve entered a fleece that won the Champion Super Fine section with a score of 93/100. This score was only 0.25 less than the reserve champion of show. The fleece was 6.8kg (5.8kg clean fleece weight) with an outstanding yield of 85% and 63 newtons. This fleece was from a commercial ewe. This result exceeded all expectations. Megan's Henry has another ribbon for her, gaining second in the schools section. This will be Henry's last show fleece. Steve was also a steward for the Sheep Show, working for two days to showcase our Merino wool industry.

Interesting Quote

Dates to remember:

- *Open Day -
9th July 2014*
- *Hamilton Sheepvention -
5th August 2014*
- *Bairnsdale Ram Sale -
2nd September 2014*

Whilst reading the Stock & Land recently, Steve came upon an article that featured Mr Jack Cotton from Tasmania (S & L, May 22, 2014). In the article, Mr Cotton states that "I prefer to buy rams off an operation that is commercial as well as stud—because the genetics are backed up by performance."

We hope that many of you feel the same as Mr Cotton and appreciate that the genetics that are present in our stud are used extensively in our own commercial woolgrowing operation, which has grown solidly with proven success. We are happy with the balance that we are achieving by running the two separate ventures with the same bloodlines.