



Top Priced Poll Merino 2015
Julian Webb \$3100



Top Priced White Suffolk 2015
Taris Richardson \$3200



WELCOME

The previous season saw some great cereal yields despite poor spring rains. It would be great to see that repeat itself but with a little more rain at the right time in spring to help all crops.

CHINA TRIP

What a great eye opener! I was lucky to inspect Australian wool at several big mills witnessing processing from the raw product through to the finished garment. What was particularly interesting was seeing the wool taken out of the bales and blended with all types of wool. This included wool with a three micron range, adequate strength and length with no premium for style. It all went in together! One mill specialises in shorter wool and would love to see sheep producers shear more that once a year. We also went to Inner Mongolia where I believe most of the merinos are. Due to the harsh winter climate the farmers have to be able to house all their sheep (it snowed while we were there). Australian genetics featured very strongly at the state run Ram Breeding Centre. The wool market we were told, should maintain strong demand now and into the future.

TAKE HOME MESSAGES

Although I witnessed strong demand for our wool in China, our main profit drivers are still to increase wool cut per hectare by improved management along with wool cut/per head, something that has always been a feature of Yanta sheep. Using sheep breeding values helps identify those rams that are superior money producers.

MARKETS AND ASBVS

At a recent Sheep Genetics Regional Forum held at Hahndorf it was pleasing to hear that participation in Merino Select and Lamb Plan is steadily increasing. The wool market and in particular the meat market

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YANTA on property sale
Wednesday 31st August

are both enjoying buoyant times presently. Investing in genetics that improve your flock in the money making traits is going to pay real dividends. Hopefully, the information we provide, aids with this. I again remind you that all rams have been rigorously visually assessed before figures are considered.

RAM PRESENTATION

At our Merino display at Wudinna, I decided to still take our younger rams but we have also included three rams from our 2014 drop. These have worked in the February/March mating on our commercial ewes so people can see them after working with no preparation. EP Livestock are not holding a display this year for the White Suffolks.

PRE-SALE RAM DISPLAY

This year I have decided to have a pre-sale display of my sale rams to give clients a chance to view the White Suffolks and Poll Merinos. At this stage it is likely to be at 1.00pm Friday August 26. I will give a short talk on the rams and explain the ASBVS as related to them. Refreshments to follow



29th ON PROPERTY SALE

Wednesday 31st August 2016

Sale starts 2pm

Inspections from 12 noon

www.yantasheepstuds.com.au and 

70 White Suffolk Rams 12-14mths old

40 Poll Merino Rams 13-14mths old

MerinoSelect & Lambplan breeding values including GROWTH RATE

OJD Vaccinated - Brucellosis Accredited Free

"Select with ease with ASBVs"

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WHITE SUFFOLKS

The aim at Yanta White Suffolks is still to purchase sires or semen to produce offspring that reach target weights more quickly, have good eye muscle measurements and are not too lean. The sale team this year has some excellent progeny from Ashmore 130227, Ashmore 130181 (both sons of leading Australian Sire Polumbi 451), Yanta 130128 and Yanta 110138.

Sires used in 2015

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Ashmore 130227

- Bought elite ram sale Adelaide 2014
- Son of leading WS ram in Australia - Polumbi 451
- A structurally well balanced ram
- PWT **16.1** PEMD **2.4** PWEC **-36**
- Carcase+ 212

Ashmore 130181

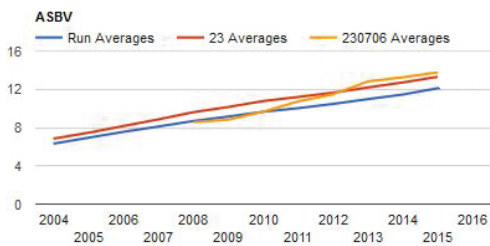
- Bought at Ashmore on property sale 2014
- Also son of Polumbi 451
- Very low birth weight ASBV
- PWT **16.0** PEMD **2.4** PWEC **-36**
- Carcase+ 209



- **Yanta 130128**
- Son of Wingamin 'Trifecta' 112462 AI
- Very thick strong body
- PWT **14.8** PEMD 1.5
- Carcase+ 195

All worker rams and potential ram breeders have been tested for Hypotrichosis (a rare genetic condition resulting in hairlessness).

Post Weaning Weight (yellow 230706 Yanta) blue White Suffolk average



PREVIOUS SALE RESULTS

YEAR	OFFERED	SOLD	AVERAGE	TOP PRICE
2012	78	40	\$740	\$3000
2013	69	62	\$821	\$1600
2014	60	54	\$850	\$2600
2015	66	66	\$1173	\$3200

POLL MERINOS

A few breeders have seen a drop in CFW in the pursuit of plain bodied sheep, however by selecting semen from rams that have high CFW coupled with low Early Breech Wrinkle EBVs, this is easily rectified. If bale fillers are desired you will find them at Yanta.

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Leahcim 123265 (AI)

- Worker ram at Leahcim
- YWT 6.8 YEMD 0.5 YCFW 19.9 YSL **17.9**
- DP+ 150

Tuckwood 091026 (AI)

- Used in 2011, son of the well known Leahcim 154
- Ewes from 2011 mating outstanding
- YWT **8.8** YEMD -1.0 YCFW **33.3** YSL **21.1** EBWR **-0.6**
- DP+ 176

Yanta 120247

- Son of Wallaloo Park Casper
- Rich well nourished wool
- YWT 5.8 YEMD -1.1 YCFW 19.0 EBWR -0.3

Leahcim 123005

- Bought in partnership with Nantoura
- Big plain body with SRS type wool
- YWT **10.6** YEMD -0.5 YCFW 16.2 YSL 9.9

Turretfield 121460

- First drop of lambs outstanding
- Offspring exceeded visual expectations
- YWT **12.4** YEMD 1.4 YCFW 19.4 YSL 11.0 EBWR **-0.8**
- DP+ 161



Mullorie Kenny "The Rock" (AI)

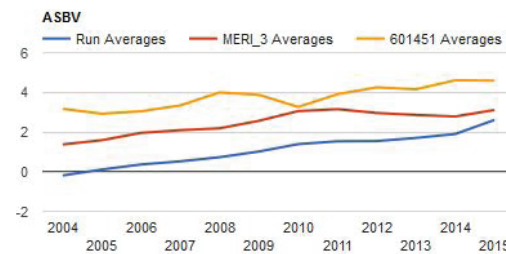
- Untested ram in sheep genetics
- Ram in semen package bought from Turretfield
- Bred some high profile rams
- 2012 Champion Poll Ram Adelaide

We still rigorously class all sheep for structure and conformation correctness, and place a strong emphasis on nourished, white, stylish elite wool.

Staple Length is a trait that I have focused on along with CFW particularly with the sires I have used in 2015. One of the AI sires (Tuckwood 091026) is in the top 1% (93% acc) for YSL and another ram (Leahcim 123265) is in the top 3% (87% acc) in MerinoSelect. I believe this will be of great value to those wanting to shear more than once a year.

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blue Merino average



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YEAR	OFFERED	SOLD	AVERAGE	TOP PRICE
2012	48	30	\$860	\$1800
2013	48	31	\$755	\$1700
2014	48	26	\$773	\$2000
2015	36	33	\$1257	\$3100