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On-property sale

The Orrie Cowie annual onproperty ram sale was held on 10th August. We would like to sincerely thank all the buyers and underbidders on the day, as well as Elders staff who conducted the sale, and those who helped in anyway.

Buyers from 4 states went home with excellent value for their money. EC & LN Koehler and Sons, Murray Bridge took home an outstanding son of OC Silky for top price of \$7,000., a Poll

Merino ram (Apr/May 2015 drop) with excellent body and very crimpy white strong wool. His AWTA tests are FD 20.9µ, SD 2.7µ, CV 12.9%, CF 99.7% and weighing 114kg in July.



The top-priced Merino ram sold to Michael & Stephen

Voigt, Wilmington for \$5,000, a well-balanced 2014 Srping drop with great staple length & density, growing a gutsy medium/strong wool, perfectly crimped and nourished. He weighed 138kg in July with fleece measurements FD 22.3µ, SD 4.0µ, CV 18.1%, CF 98.7% and Y 75.3%.

The average sale price was \$1794 over 154 rams sold on the day: a very affordable price given medium / strong wools are selling 1300-1500c/kg clean. Flock rams sold at a base of \$600, with more available until December.

Our Redwood White Suffolks and Poll Dorsets measured extremely well for EMD and Body Weight, averaged \$1,184/hd, with a top price of \$1,800. Excellent value with lambs bringing up to \$200/hd.

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Important Dates:

- SA MERINO FIELD DAYS, BURRA 22ND MARCH '16
- BROKEN HILL AGFAIR 6-7TH MAY 2016
- SE MERINO FIELD DAYS 27THJULY 2016
- ASWS-BENDIGO 15-17 TH JULY 2016
- HAMILTON SHEEPVEN-TION 1-2ND AUG 2016
- PRE-SALE INSPECTION 9TH AUGUST 2016
- PRE-SALE BIRTHDAY PARTY 9TH AUGUST 2016
- 51st ANNUAL **RAM SALE** 10TH AUG 2016
- DUBBO NATIONAL 23-25TH AUG'16
- MERINO INSIGHT & ADELAIDE SHOW 4TH-9TH SEPT 2016
- KI FIELD DAYS 29TH SEPT 2016

MISSED OUR SALE? INTERESTED IN THESE SHEEP? NO WORRIES!

There is one more opportunity this year to snap up some high quality genetics.

That is, every spring we select out just 40 rams to bring up as woollys for the sale the next year. This leaves almost the whole drop for sale of top young rams ready and rearing to work, from September onwards.

Make an appointment, visit picturesque Orrie Cowie and select your rams at your leisure





RIGHT CHOICE - The RIGHT WOOL from the RIGHT GENETICS on the RIGHT BODIES

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Orrie Cowie Multi-Vendor Sales

This year we are offering rams at Dubbo, Classings Classic, Adelaide and also a ewe at Adelaide.

DUBBO NATIONAL: 25th August 2016

OC M222-150062 (April/May 2015 drop)

A big young sire with great depth of barrel and extra heavy cutting pearly white medium wool, reared as a twin.

FD 19.9µ; SD 3.0µ; CV 15.1%; CF 99.8%; BW 106kg

CLASSINGS CLASSIC : 5th September 2016

OC Trojan-150605 (June 2015 drop)

Magnificent free, white nourished fleece on a big frame with lots of growing to do.

FD 19.7µ; SD 2.6µ; SD 2.6%; FD 99.8%, BW 107kg

ADELAIDE SALE : 9th September 2016

"Trojan" OC Prom181-140050 (April/May 2014 drop)

A massive big square ram for age, exceptional growth rate, magnificent bone, feet and horn set. Carrying a long staple with stiff lock, waxy, crimpy, pure white wool that is evenly crimped and aligned. The quickest maturing ram ever bred at Orrie Cowie.

FD 19.0µ; SD 2.7µ; CV 14.2%; CF 99.6%; BW 172kg

OC Exceller556-140488 (April/May 2014 drop)

Magnificent crimpy strong wool with lock and sheen. Whiter than white. Nourished. Extremely long staple.

FD 20.7µ: SD 2.8µ; CV 13.5%; FD 99.5%; BW 140kg

EWE OC Little Joe-140033 (April/May 2014 drop)

A very impressive ewe, wowing judges. Adelaide 2015 awarded Reserve Grand Champion March shorn ewe and Champion Medium Merino March shorn ewe, Canberra GSSM 2016 Champion Medium/Strong ewe, FD 19.8µ; SD 3.0µ; CV 15.2%; FD 99.8%; BW 107kg

Visit our website: www.orriecowie.com.au

NB. AWTA fleece tests taken on 1st June 2016. Body weights

LAMBING

We had a good lambing spring 2015 with 114% in the merinos, single sire mating at 2% for a 35 day joining period.

Our April-May 2016 drop have just been weaned at 105%, single sire mating of 1.5% for a 35 day joining period We thank the local NRM board for their support in fox-baiting the Peesey Swamp.

TROJAN



OC Exceller556-140488







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TO THRIVE & SURVIVE & YOUR **PURCHASE IS GUARANTEED** TO PERFORM