

Orrie Cowie achieve major sale at Bendigo

Dennis and Heather Dalla, Orrie Cowie Poll Merino and Merino studs, Warooka, SA reported a very significant private sale of one of their Poll Merino rams at the Bendigo ASBA show to Graham Coddington, from the Coddington Poll stud, Dubbo, NSW for a very significant, but undisclosed price.

The ram, OC 1025-12 is a very big and correct son of Nepowie 16, weighing 143kg and carrying a silky soft, brilliant white and well-nourished fleece with a 99.3% comfort factor.

Mr Coddington said the ram was, “tall, long, very correct on his feet with a classical nourished fleece and was well let down on his belly and points, yet has a good, clean and open faced head; the sort of sheep that will suit our summer rainfall country at Dubbo.”

He made the offer to purchase the ram at Bendigo as his commitments to other events made it virtually impossible for him to get to the Orrie Cowie sale where the ram was originally catalogued, plus he wanted to be able to display the ram at his on-property sale.

Dennis Dalla was naturally elated with the sale and said “The Nepowie 16 infusion has worked very well for us and we are very pleased with all his sons in our sale.”

He said there was also a lot of interest in the ram’s 147kg half-brother; 102520 that was “built like a Mac truck with sappy and heavy cutting medium wool.” This ram was sold at the Orrie Cowie on-property sale for the top price of \$10,000 to local Yorke Peninsula regular buyers DY & PM Reade. At this sale, their 72 Merino and Poll Merino rams averaged a very solid \$2221.

Dennis Dalla said that another pointer to the strength of this Nepowie infusion is Collinsville’s top Poll ram that is in their Adelaide sale team, and attracted a lot of interest at Bendigo is also sired by Nepowie 16.

Photo caption:

Orrie Cowie principal, Dennis Dalla holds the impressive Poll Merino ram Orrie Cowie 1025-12 that was sold at Bendigo to the Coddington Poll stud, Dubbo and represented here by principal Graham Coddington.