

Bookham Wether trial results, year 3 - 2021

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- Thanks to the participants because without you there is no trial, to the sponsor Butt livestock for lunch and Craig Lawson from Landmark for the wool valuations plus the people who helped with the drafting on the Sunday and at shearing also the Bookham Hall committee for morning and afternoon tea.
- Congratulation to Dave Weir for the excellent condition of the wether's.
- The result this year have a high degree of robustness due to the fact that any age differences on entry have now disappeared.
- This trial is run for 4 shearing because we want to use the information to reflect what is happening to breeding flocks of the same bloodlines. Except for the reproduction data, wool production from wethers is highly corelated to ewe's wool production. In line with the wool to meat ration from ewes the value of the carcass will be included at shearing 4.
- The body weights in the tables are an off shears weight.
- The wool yield in the shearing details is a yield of the fleece wool calculated from the washing yield of the mid side sample. The average yield takes account of the lower yields of the oddments.
- The tables have some rounding errors which explains some slight differences between teams but the calculations are done on the correct numbers, eg FD is the same but the wool price is different
- A rule for all Bookham trials is that teams are allowed to lose 2 wethers and it does not affect the results because the total is divided by 9 or 8 wethers but after that the average value per head is impact by being divided by 8 regardless of the number in the team. This rule has impacted 4 team this year.
- The teams that originated off a stud are marked in the summary tables in blue.
- The following tables are provided to allow you to assess the performance of the teams.
- 1. The team summary sorted on average value per head, gives a measure of the wool genetics of the sheep
- 2. The team summary sorted on total wool value of the team, adds the wool genetic value to the robustness of the sheep.
- **3.** The team summary sorted on **average value per DSE** expresses the wool genetics on a common feed basis. <u>There is no data to say bigger sheep are more efficient re using pasture</u>. Bigger sheep eat more. The impact of bigger sheep on meat value and reproductive performance will be looked at after the final shearing.
- **4.** A table of **FD and total dollars over the 3 years**.

It is my view that the true assessment of the performance of bloodlines should be based on the data in tables 2,3 and 4 as it is the combination of these factors that drives your profitability of the merino enterprise. Different merino enterprise i.e. aims to sell all wethers off into the lamb market vs keeping wethers for 2 shearings will mean different traits are required in the respective bloodlines.

Compiled using data collected at the shearing and from mid side samples taken 3 weeks before.

If you have any questions about the data contact me to discuss the issue.

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Greendale Merinos Statement of Proven Performance:

Through Greendale Merinos' involvement in various industry benchmarking trials and evaluations we can clearly see the substantial impact and improvement that Greendale genetics have on enhancing the most heritable and profitable traits of a commercial merino wool growing and breeding business.

Greendale Merinos have proven that breeding moderate sized sheep to be the **most efficient** and **profitable animal**.

This has and continues to be proven over a number of comparisons in which our genetics participate in, including the Bookham Ag Bureau Wether Trial which saw teams using Greendale Genetics to **once again**

Table 2: Ranked on average team value

ENTRANT	BLOODLINE	NO OF WETHERS	GFW	FD	YIELD	CFW	CLEAN PRICE	BODY WT	\$/HD
MCGUFFICKE PARTNERS	GREENDALE	10	9.7	17.8	67	6.2	1511	71.6	\$90.53
AVOCA	GREENDALE	9	10	20.3	69.6	6.8	1333	69.1	\$87.05
LEONARD/ KAVENEY	TALLAWONG	10	8.4	17.9	70.8	5.8	1578	69.3	\$86.97
KINGSLEA PARTNERSHIP	GROGANSWORTH	9	9	19.6	74.7	6.5	1347	77.2	\$84.38
R & S HYLES	YARRAWONGA	10	9.1	18.1	65.1	5.7	1516	72.5	\$83.66
S & R MILLS	GREENDALE/ STILLBROOK	9	8.7	18.6	71.2	6	1448	74.4	\$83.58
M & Z GILES	BOGO/ GRASSY CREEK	8	8.6	18.5	71.1	5.9	1479	73.3	\$83.52
AJ & R DAWSON	WINYAR	9	9.7	20.3	70.1	6.6	1267	83.6	\$82.82
PALING YARDS CO	PALING YARDS	9	7.2	17	70.7	5	1747	75.1	\$81.75
MAYFIELD PARTNERSHIP	GREENDALE	7	10	18.5	67.5	6.5	1486	66.9	\$81.05
S R & D WEIR	BOGO	8	7.8	17.9	70.1	5.3	1577	71.1	\$80.10
WERONG	TALLAWONG	8	8.8	18.3	64.6	5.5	1503	74.2	\$79.70
D & R SYKES	BOGO	10	7.4	18.1	72.5	5.2	1545	<i>7</i> 5	\$76.58
M GAERLOCH PARTNER	GAERLOCH	9	7.9	19.8	75.5	5.8	1359	67.2	\$75.65
G & R ROBERTSON	MIXED	10	7.7	18.5	69.7	5.2	1474	70.1	\$73.55
MARKDALE STATION	LEACHIM/ HAZELDENE	9	8.1	19.4	69.6	5.5	1376	76.9	\$72.79
TINTAGEL PAST CO	SPRINGVALE	9	8	19.2	69.7	5.3	1396	64.1	\$71.79
TALMO PAST CO	BOGO	10	7.6	18.4	68	5	1489	69.6	\$70.87
TALLAWONG	TALLAWONG	7	8.3	17.6	66.7	5.4	1595	68.7	\$70.43
GLENROCK PARTNERSHIP	JOHNSON PARK	9	6.8	17.9	70.8	4.7	1559	72.6	\$70.08
M & K SHANNAHAN	BOGO/ TALLAWONG	8	6.7	17.6	71.6	4.7	1597	72.2	\$69.84
D & J YOUNG	LEACHIM/ BUNDILLA	10	7.4	18.2	67.7	4.8	1517	86.2	\$69.53
BIGGA PASTORAL	GRASSY CREEK	10	7.9	18.1	67.9	5.1	1367	76	\$68.09
BOOROOMBA	BOGO/ TALLAWONG	7	7.6	17.7	68.8	5.1	1615	76.4	\$67.52
M & R GROGAN	CENTREPLUS	9	7.2	18.9	66.3	4.6	1443	80	\$63.91
P & RK MOORE	BLINKBONNIE	7	8	19.2	69.4	5.4	1403	75.7	\$63.34
BOGOLONG	MIXED	9	6.9	19.2	68.7	4.6	1403	74.9	\$61.21
LAVERSTOCK	CENTREPLUS	8	7.3	19	64.1	4.5	1398	79.6	\$59.66
AVERA	AGES	-	8.14	18.56	69.27	5.45	1476	73.7	<i>75.36</i>

Table 3: Ranked on Total Team Value

ENTRANT	BLOODLINE	NO OF WETHERS	FD	YIELD	CFW	CLEAN PRICE	TOTAL \$ /TEAM
MCGUFFICKE PARTNERS	GREENDALE	10	17.8	67	6.2	1511	\$905.30
LEONARD/KAVENEY	TALLAWONG	10	17.9	70.8	5.8	1578	\$869.67
R & S HYLES	YARRAWONGA	10	18.1	65.1	5.7	1516	\$836.64
AVOCA	GREENDALE	9	20.3	69.6	6.8	1333	<i>\$783.48</i>
D & R SYKES	BOGO	10	18.1	72.5	5.2	1545	\$765.81
KINGSLEA	GROGANSWORTH	9	19.6	74.7	6.5	1347	\$759.41
S & R MILLS	GREENDALE/ STILLBROOK	9	18.6	71.2	6	1448	\$752.20
AJ & R DAWSON	WINYAR	9	20.3	70.1	6.6	1267	<i>\$745.42</i>
PALING YARDS	PALING YARDS	9	17	70.7	5	1747	<i>\$735.78</i>
G & R ROBERTSON	MIXED	10	18.5	69.7	5.2	1474	<i>\$735.55</i>
TALMO PAST CO	BOGO	10	18.4	68	5	1489	\$708.69
D & J YOUNG	LEACHIM/ BUNDILLA	10	18.2	67.7	4.8	1517	\$695.26
BIGGA PASTORAL	GRASSY CREEK	10	18.1	67.9	5.1	1367	\$680.92
M GAERLOCH PARTNER	GAERLOCH	9	19.8	75.5	5.8	1359	\$680.89
M & Z GILES	BOGO/ GRASSY CREEK	8	18.5	71.1	5.9	1479	\$668.13
MARKDALE STATION	LEACHCIM/ HAZELDEAN	9	19.4	69.6	5.5	1376	\$655.12
MAYFIELD PARTNERSHIP	GREENDALE	7	18.5	67.5	6.5	1486	\$648.40
TINTAGEL PAST CO	SPRINGVALE	9	19.2	69.7	5.3	1396	\$646.07
S R & D WEIR	BOGO	8	17.9	70.1	5.3	1577	\$640.81
WERONG	TALLAWONG	8	18.3	64.6	5.5	1503	\$637.63
GLENROCK	JOHNSON PARK	9	17.9	70.8	4.7	1559	\$630.73
M & R GROGAN	CENTREPLUS	9	18.9	66.3	4.6	1443	<i>\$575.15</i>
TALLAWONG	TALLAWONG	7	17.6	66.7	5.4	1595	<i>\$563.43</i>
M & K SHANNAHAN	BOGO/ TALLAWONG	8	17.6	71.6	4.7	1597	\$558.71
BOGOLONG	MIXED	9	19.2	68.7	4.6	1403	\$550.92
BOOROOMBA	BOGO/ TALLAWONG	7	17.7	68.8	5.1	1615	\$540.12
P & RK MOORE	BLINKBONNIE	7	19.2	69.4	5.4	1403	\$506.73
LAVERSTOCK	CENTREPLUS	8	19	64.1	4.5	1398	\$477.30
AVERAGES		-	18.6	<i>69.3</i>	<i>5.5</i>	1476.0	676.94

Table 4: Ranked on Average Value divided by DSE

For the 4 teams with 7 sheep, their \$/hd based on the 7 sheep was used for this calculation.

ENTRANT	BLOODLINE	DSE	\$/DSE
MAYFIELD PARTNERSHIP	GREENDALE	1.15	\$80.52
MCGUFFICKE PARTNERS	GREENDALE	1.23	\$73.53
AVOCA	GREENDALE	1.19	\$73.26
LEONARD/KAVENEY	TALLAWONG	1.19	\$72.99
TALLAWONG	TALLAWONG	1.18	\$68.14
R & S HYLES	YARRAWONGA	1.25	\$67.11
M & Z GILES	BOGO/ GRASSY CREEK	1.26	\$66.27
S R & D WEIR	BOGO	1.22	\$65.52
M GAERLOCH PARTNER	GAERLOCH	1.16	\$65.47
S & R MILLS	GREENDALE / STILLBROOK	1.28	\$65.33
TINTAGEL PAST CO	SPRINGVALE	1.10	\$65.13
KINGSLEA PARTNERSHIP	GROGANSWORTH	1.33	\$63.57
PALING YARDS CO	PALING YARDS	1.29	\$63.31
WERONG	TALLAWONG	1.28	\$62.47
G & R ROBERTSON	MIXED	1.21	\$61.02
D & R SYKES	BOGO	1.29	\$59.38
TALMO PAST CO	BOGO	1.20	\$59.22
BOOROOMBA	BOGO/ TALLAWONG	1.31	\$58.74
AJ & R DAWSON	WINYAR	1.44	\$57.61
M & K SHANNAHAN	BOGO/ TALLAWONG	1.24	\$56.26
GLENROCK PARTNERSHIP	JOHNSON ROCK	1.25	\$56.14
P & RK MOORE	BLINKBONNIE	1.30	\$55.61
MARKDALE STATION	LEACHIM/ HAZELDENE	1.32	\$55.05
BIGGA PASTORAL	GRASSY CREEK	1.31	\$52.10
BOGOLONG	MIXED	1.29	\$47.53
D & J YOUNG	LEACHIM/ BUNDILLA	1.48	\$46.91
M & R GROGAN	CENTREPLUS	1.38	\$46.46
LAVERSTOCK	CENTREPLUS	1.37	\$43.59
AVERAC	1.26	\$62.06	

Table 6: Fibre Diameter and Total Dollar Values for the 3 years

- The difference in DSE value between teams is very solid with this year's data, as all animals have had the opportunity to express their genetics for growth.
- At this stage of the trial, you can use the 3 data sets to look at the relative wool production merit of the teams. Teams that perform well on all the measures have robust performance.

ENTRANT	BLOODLINE USED	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	TOTAL \$
MCGUFFICKE	GREENDALE	15.5	16.9	17.8	\$1,233.79	\$1,154.10	\$905.30	\$3,293.19
R & S HYLES	YARRAWONGA	15.9	17.4	18.1	\$1,173.54	\$1,083.60	\$836.64	\$3,093.78
AVOCA	GREENDALE	17.2	19.1	20.3	\$1,068.71	\$1,142.80	\$783.48	\$2,994.99
LEONARD/KAVENEY	TALLAWONG	15.4	17.2	17.9	\$1,074.23	\$972.94	\$869.67	\$2,916.84
AJ & R DAWSON	WINYAR	17.8	18.8	20.3	\$1,107.09	\$1,016.30	\$745.42	\$2,868.81
D & R SYKES	BOGO	16.1	17.7	18.1	\$1,105.53	\$986.15	\$765.81	\$2,857.49
KINGSLEA	GROGANSWORTH	17.6	18.5	19.6	\$1,039.25	\$1,024.40	\$759.41	\$2,823.06
MAYFIELD	GREENDALE	16	17.3	18.5	\$1,136.88	\$1,000.50	\$648.40	\$2,785.78
S & R MILLS	GREENDALE / STILLBROOK	16.8	18	18.6	\$928.98	\$1,087.40	\$752.20	\$2,768.58
TALMO PAST CO	BOGO	15.8	17.2	18.4	\$1,054.29	\$979.87	\$708.69	\$2,742.85
BIGGA PASTORAL	GRASSY CREEK	16.8	17.8	18.1	\$1,031.00	\$1,012.70	\$680.92	\$2,724.62
G & R ROBERTSON	MIXED	15.9	17.2	18.5	\$1,014.53	\$960.49	\$735.55	\$2,710.57
M GAERLOCH PART	GAERLOCH	17.1	18.6	19.8	\$959.88	\$1,044.10	\$680.89	\$2,684.87
S R & D WEIR	BOGO	16.4	17.7	17.9	\$1,097.50	\$918.37	\$640.81	\$2,656.68
MARKDALE STATION	LEACHIM/ HAZELDENE	16.5	18.5	19.4	\$978.43	\$1,005.00	\$655.12	\$2,638.55
M & Z GILES	BOGO / GRASSY CREEK	16	17.6	18.5	\$1,089.01	\$862.15	\$668.13	\$2,619.29
PALING YARDS	PLAING YARDS	15.1	16.7	17	\$987.56	\$882.42	\$735.78	\$2,605.76
TINTAGEL PAST CO	SPRINGVALE	16.9	18.1	19.2	\$926.32	\$988.92	\$646.07	\$2,561.31
WERONG	TALLAWONG	16.3	17.6	18.3	\$974.30	\$925.26	\$637.63	\$2,537.19
GLENROCK	JOHNSON PARK	16.2	17.7	17.9	\$952.91	\$896.55	\$630.73	\$2,480.19
TALLAWONG	TALLAWONG	15.3	16.8	17.6	\$1,101.86	\$729.90	\$563.43	\$2,395.19
BOOROOMBA	BOGO/ TALLAWONG	15.8	17.1	17.7	\$1,006.80	\$837.51	\$540.12	\$2,384.43
D & J YOUNG	LEACHIM/ BUNDILLA	16.5	17.7	18.2	\$894.39	\$770.61	\$695.26	\$2,360.26
P & RK MOORE	BLINKBONNIE	16.9	18.1	19.2	\$1,005.66	\$829.33	\$506.73	\$2,341.72
M & R GROGAN	CENTREPLUS	17.3	18.2	18.9	\$854.26	\$900.38	\$575.15	\$2,329.79
M & K SHANNAHAN	BOGO/ TALLAWONG	15.9	17.2	17.6	\$873.20	\$813.87	\$558.71	\$2,245.78
BOGOLONG	MIXED	17.8	18.5	19.2	\$836.33	\$820.57	\$550.92	\$2,207.82
LAVERSTOCK	CENTREPLUS	16.8	18.1	19	\$843.27	\$762.84	\$477.30	\$2,083.41
AVE	RAGES	16.4	17.7	18.5	\$1,012.48	\$943.18	\$676.94	\$2,632.60