

Hillcreston Park

BIGGA

30th Annual On Property

**SUPERFINE
MERINO &
POLL MERINO
SALE**

25 October 2021

Inspection from 10am
Auction commences 1pm

'Summer Hill'
Bigga NSW

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WELCOME

Friends, I would like to welcome you to Hillcreston Parks 30th Ram Sale.

With restrictions in place and border closures we are all waiting on the easing of restrictions. If you are interested in rams or ewes and can't attend, please let me know.

We will have around 1000 superfine merino ewes for sale in November, drafted into age groups. Lambs will be weaned early December. We are currently scaling down and have sold some country.

Covid-19 restrictions will mean that social distancing will be applied. All sanitization and registration of visitors will apply.

The Rams this year are a great range of Ultrafine and Superfine Rams for your viewing. The last 12 months have really helped the sheep grow and do well, so the microns are at their highest level. The tests were carried out by Riverina Wool Testers with the same Laser machine that is used by AWTA.

All curvatures that are over 110 are special Ultrafine rams and you will find that all rams are unmulesed. We have not mulesed for five years now with very little change to animal husbandry practices.

Rams are a little plainer than 10 years ago but are larger in frame and are cutting far more wool, we have increased our grown sheep wool cut by around 1 Kilo a head over the last 15 years while keeping the special superfine wool on the sheep. We have done this for profitability and to satisfy the European wool market. Animal husbandry and sustainability in our industry is very important for our future.

Wool buyers are finding it very difficult to find enough 74's better type wools to buy in the market. Let's hope the future is ours. Remember we as Australians still grow the majority of the best wools in the world. It can't be supplied by anyone else except a small supply from NZ.

If you can't attend and would wish to look at a particular ram, we will be taking photos of the actual sheep and its wool and can email the photos to you. The future of the superfine wool industry is in our hands, lets keep growing this wonderful product.

We will have phone and internet coverage available.

Take care and keep healthy with luck it would be great to see you here.

Danny, Megan, David & Katherine Picker

HILLCRESTON PARK SUPERFINE HORN & POLL MERINO STUD

A/C Danny and Megan Picker
Flock No. 4584 Poll Flock No. RM 1161

30th Annual Ram Sale

8 ½ months wool on rams on offer

On offer in in 2021

2 Stud Superfine Rams

2 Stud Poll Superfine Rams

32 SS Superfine Merino Rams

9 SS Poll Superfine Merino Rams



Sale Poll and Horn Rams

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HILLCRESTON PARK MERINO AND POLL MERINO STUDS

Over the last 16 years we have been using selective breeding to give our sheep more frame and bone structure while still keeping our prized 1PP type wool that is soft and bright with a stylish crimp and long staple length.

We are selecting for a modern sheep, producing a bigger carcass and more wool whilst maintaining style, handle and brightness, a move that has been demanded by industry, markets and our clients.

In 2002, we undertook an AI program using a 15.6 micron Merryville Ram who sold for \$42,000. This successful outcross started the Stirling family that has consistently performed well and has proven to be a sale day favourite.

In 2010, Alfoxton President was used in our AI program, this outcross has worked brilliantly with sale rams testing as fine as 16 micron and weighing over 100KG.

In 2013, we purchased a \$5,000 son of Alfoxton Diplomat, who sold for \$46,000 from Conrayn Merino Stud.

These crosses have proved successfully in helping us achieve our aim of breeding sheep with more wool and on larger frames, whilst maintaining the bright, soft, stylish wools Hillcreston Park is known for.

SHOWING & SELLING IN 2022

ARMIDALE MERINO RAM SHOW AND SALE

February

AUSTRALIAN SHEEP AND WOOL SHOW, BENDIGO

July

ANNUAL HILLCRESTON PARK ON PROPERTY SALE OCTOBER

CLASSING AND DELIVERY

As part of our dedication to our clients, Hillcreston Park offers a free classing and ram selection service and a delivery service within 200km.

Feel free to contact us anytime.

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INFORMATION

Hillcreston Park sells its rams under the condition that they retain all semen marketing rights.

Light Luncheon: Will be available by the Bigga School P & C.

Directions: From Crookwell take the main Bigga road for 60km Hillcreston Park is 2kms before Bigga on the left hand side.

Inspection: All stock can be inspected on Sale Day after 9.30am.

Delivery: If rams have to await transport, or if purchasers wish to have transport arranged, please advise the selling agents after the Sale, on your Buyer's Instruction Slip.

Airstrip: Are available both at Goulburn and Crookwell, please phone if required.

Accommodation: Please phone if required.

Health: All stock have been inspected by a Veterinary Surgeon and are all tested Brucellosis and Footrot FREE. Hillcreston Park are Johnnes MN3V.

Insurance: Cover can be affected immediately instructions are given.

Note on Rams: All rams have been paddock-reared, unhusked, and no use of hormones.

Tested by AWTA.

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OUR HISTORY

Hillcreston Park situated in the valley of Bigga is one of few superfine horn & poll merino studs in Australia consistently producing wool clips averaging under 17.0 micron.

Hillcreston Park was established in 1992 with a 25% draft of Hillcreston Merino stud.

Hillcreston Merino Stud was founded in 1910 when the Picker brothers purchased Collaroy blood ewes from G.D. Hay, 'Goonoongla' Bigga, NSW. In 1925 Sam Picker acquired a portion of the flock from his father and from that year until 1954 only 'Merryville', rams were introduced.

Rams introduced since 1954 have been from 'Valleyfield' and 'Winton' with a uniform stud ram from Merryville being purchased in 1980. In 2002 Semen was purchased of a 15.6 micron Merryville ram which is our Stirling Sire line, Rams are now fourth generation. & in 2010 Semen used of Alfoxtton President a 14 Micron Ram.

In 1963 Trevor Picker was taken into the partnership. Following the death of its Sam Picker in 1972 the stud was carried on by Trevor Picker and family.

Hillcreston Park has continued producing the same high standards that have been set in the history of Hillcreston. Our aim is to produce larger framed sheep with a long white staple, while still holding our traditional 1PP type wool. We believe with the current meat market trends a larger frame sheep is required while still holding our traditional type wool.

In July 1992 Hillcreston Park Poll Stud was registered, Flock No RM. 1161, after the purchase of Super Bute, a \$10,000 buy at Melbourne Sheep Show and Sale in 1989 from Mt Bute Poll Stud of Linton, Victoria. In December 1989, 20 stud ewes were purchased from Mt Bute and 30 stud ewes from Hillcreston to raise the stud ewes to 50. In 2009 a 15 Micron Stud Poll ram was purchased from Greenlands Stud & is breeding very well.

STUD REFERENCES

STIRLING

Ex Merryville Stud Ram
Hillcreston Park Stud Ewe

CAPTAIN

Sons of Wurrook (Supreme Super Fine Ram)
Hillcreston Park Stud Ewe

SNOWY

Star Snowy (Ex Merryville, NSW)
Hillcreston Park Stud Ewe

425 (SON)

425 (Ex Winton, Tasmania)
Hillcreston Park Stud Ewe

COMMANDER

Grandson of President

DELEGATE

Sons of Conrayn Diplomat

GREEN

Sons of Greenlands Poll

GRANDIO

Sons of Homebred 425 (Grange)



SALE STUD RAMS

LOTS 1 - 2



Rams Tested by
Riverina Wool Testers
Early September 2021
Age 24 Months

Lot 1

Tag No. 19-61 SIRE SNOWY
MIC 17.3 SD 2.7
CV 15.3 CUR 123.55

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 2

Tag No. 19-50 SIRE COMMANDER
MIC 16.5 SD 2.2
CV 13.1 CUR 104.94

..... Purchaser Price

SPECIALLY SELECTED RAMS

LOTS 3 - 19

Lot 3

Tag No. 19-51 SIRE SNOWY
MIC 16.8 SD 2.3
CV 14.0 CUR 111.04

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 4

Tag No. 19-37 SIRE COMMANDER
MIC 16.8 SD 2.6
CV 15.7 CUR 105.24

..... Purchaser Price

SPECIALLY SELECTED RAMS

LOTS 3 - 19

Lot 5

Tag No. 19-53 **SIRE** COMMANDER
MIC 17.0 **SD** 2.7
CV 15.9 **CUR** 105.53

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 6

Tag No. 19-57 **SIRE** SNOWY
MIC 16.6 **SD** 2.6
CV 15.6 **CUR** 111.19

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 7

Tag No. 19-30 **SIRE** SNOWY
MIC 17.0 **SD** 3.0
CV 17.5 **CUR** 91.55

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 8

Tag No. 19-012 **SIRE** 425
MIC 17.5 **SD** 2.2
CV 12.4 **CUR** 104.81

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 9

Tag No. 19-20 **SIRE** DELEGATE
MIC 16.4 **SD** 2.9
CV 17.7 **CUR** 120.7

..... Purchaser Price



SPECIALLY SELECTED RAMS

LOTS 3 - 19

Lot 10

Tag No. 19-27 **SIRE** 425
 MIC 17.9 **SD** 2.6
 CV 14.7 **CUR** 109.73

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 11

Tag No. 19-16 **SIRE** COMMANDER
 MIC 17.5 **SD** 2.3
 CV 13.1 **CUR** 113.25

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 12

Tag No. 19-42 **SIRE** COMMANDER
 MIC 16.6 **SD** 2.5
 CV 15.0 **CUR** 92.47

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 13

Tag No. 19-43 **SIRE** COMMANDER
 MIC 17.4 **SD** 2.3
 CV 13.5 **CUR** 99.62

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 14

Tag No. 19-002 **SIRE** SNOWY
 MIC 16.9 **SD** 2.7
 CV 16.3 **CUR** 128.39

..... Purchaser Price



SPECIALLY SELECTED RAMS

LOTS 3 - 19

Lot 15

Tag No. 19-58 **SIRE** SUPER SNOWY
MIC 16.9 **SD** 2.6
CV 15.2 **Cur** 92.53

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 16

Tag No. 19-44 **SIRE** 425
MIC 16.1 **SD** 2.5
CV 15.2 **Cur** 112.67

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 17

Tag No. 19-17 **SIRE** SUPER SNOWY
MIC 15.9 **SD** 2.6
CV 16.3 **Cur** 104.85

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 18

Tag No. 19-25 **SIRE** SNOWY
MIC 15.2 **SD** 3.2
CV 20.8 **Cur** 105.18

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 19

Tag No. 19-004 **SIRE** SNOWY
MIC 17.5 **SD** 2.8
CV 16.2 **Cur** 103.36

..... Purchaser Price





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STUD POLL RAM

LOT 20 - 21

Lot 20

Tag No. 19-45 **SIRE** GRANDIO
MIC 18.0 **SD** 2.1
CV 11.6 **Cur** 104.16

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 21

Tag No. 19-1004 **SIRE** G POLL
MIC 16.0 **SD** 3.2
CV 20.2 **Cur** 102.71

..... Purchaser Price

SPECIALY SELECTED POLL RAMS

LOT 22 - 23

Lot 22

Tag No. 19-49 **SIRE** G POLL
MIC 16.6 **SD** 2.9
CV 17.5 **Cur** 119.62

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 23

Tag No. 19-65 **SIRE** G POLL
MIC 16.7 **SD** 3.1
CV 18.8 **Cur** 115.17

..... Purchaser Price



14 MONTH OLD SPECIALLY SELECTED RAMS

LOTS 24 - 45

Lot 24

Tag No. 20-789 **SIRE** SNOWY POLL
MIC 14.9 **SD** 2.3
CV 15.2 **Cur** 113.24

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 25

Tag No. 20-696 **SIRE** GRANDIO POLL
MIC 16.1 **SD** 2.5
CV 15.6 **Cur** 112.01

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 26

Tag No. 20-760 **SIRE** GRANDIO POLL
MIC 16.0 **SD** 2.3
CV 14.2 **Cur** 104.62

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 27

Tag No. 20-683 **SIRE** GRANDIO POLL
MIC 16.0 **SD** 2.4
CV 15.0 **Cur** 107.86

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 28

Tag No. 20-706 **SIRE** GRANDIO POLL
MIC 17.6 **SD** 2.5
CV 13.9 **Cur** 105.79

..... Purchaser Price



14 MONTH OLD SPECIALLY SELECTED RAMS

LOTS 24 - 45

Lot 29

Tag No. 20-652 **SIRE** G POLL
MIC 16.3 **SD** 2.5
CV 15.1 **Cur** 110.46

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 30

Tag No. 20-712 **SIRE** GRANDIO POLL
MIC 15.9 **SD** 2.2
CV 14.0 **Cur** 130.42

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 31

Tag No. 20-360 **SIRE** COMMANDER
MIC 16.5 **SD** 2.3
CV 13.6 **Cur** 116.84

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 32

Tag No. 20-941 **SIRE** DELEGATE
MIC 17.5 **SD** 3.2
CV 18.2 **Cur** 115.61

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 33

Tag No. 20-779 **SIRE** DELEGATE
MIC 16.3 **SD** 2.1
CV 12.9 **Cur** 112.08

..... Purchaser Price



14 MONTH OLD SPECIALLY SELECTED RAMS

LOTS 24 - 45

Lot 34

Tag No. 20-127 **SIRE** COMMANDER
 MIC 16.7 **SD** 2.4
 CV 14.5 **Cur** 109.19

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 35

Tag No. 20-746 **SIRE** DELEGATE
 MIC 15.9 **SD** 2.3
 CV 14.2 **Cur** 113.27

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 36

Tag No. 20-515 **SIRE** COMMANDER
 MIC 16.6 **SD** 2.7
 CV 16.0 **Cur** 110.70

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 37

Tag No. 20-1824 **SIRE** STIRLING
 MIC 15.8 **SD** 2.9
 CV 18.3 **Cur** 106.00

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 38

Tag No. 20-382 **SIRE** COMMANDER
 MIC 17.7 **SD** 2.9
 CV 16.2 **Cur** 117.93

..... Purchaser Price



14 MONTH OLD SPECIALLY SELECTED RAMS

LOTS 24 - 45

Lot 39

Tag No. 20-1790 **SIRE** STIRLING
 MIC 15.4 **SD** 2.4
 CV 15.5 **Cur** 105.09

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 40

Tag No. 20-24 **SIRE** 425
 MIC 17.6 **SD** 2.8
 CV 15.9 **Cur** 105.93

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 41

Tag No. 20-834 **SIRE** SUPER 425
 MIC 17.5 **SD** 2.7
 CV 15.5 **Cur** 93.05

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 42

Tag No. 20-154 **SIRE** SNOWY
 MIC 16.0 **SD** 2.6
 CV 16.4 **Cur** 113.65

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 43

Tag No. 20-100 **SIRE** 425
 MIC 16.1 **SD** 2.6
 CV 15.9 **Cur** 107.68

..... Purchaser Price



14 MONTH OLD SPECIALLY SELECTED RAMS

LOTS 24 - 45

Lot 44

Tag No. 20-72 **SIRE** 425
 MIC 17.3 **SD** 2.3
 CV 13.5 **Cur** 114.74

..... Purchaser Price

Lot 45

Tag No. 20-890 **SIRE** 425
 MIC 17.3 **SD** 2.3
 CV 13.2 **Cur** 120.43

..... Purchaser Price

DISCLAIMER

1. Vendor accepts no responsibility for the accuracy or variation of fleece measurements.
2. Hillcreston Park retains 100% of semen marketing rights unless otherwise organised.

Danny Picker



The Vendor confirms that information provided includes the information recommended by the Australian Association of Stud Merino Breeders to be supplied to buyers.

BUYERS INSTRUCTION SLIP

PURCHASE DETAILS

Name:

Address:

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Telephone: Fax:

Signature: Email:

Please send accounts direct to me OR

Agent

DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS

Lots Purchased:

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Insurance:

Special Instructions:

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ACCOUNT SETTLEMENT

The signature of your Agent is required if you elect to settle through an Agent.

Agent: Signature:



- *Roger Connley and Jarrod Demarco from Nutrien Victoria. Roger and Yvonne Connley Purchased Lot 10 after sale for \$7000*



- *Last years top price Ram at Auction for \$4,000 David and Meg with Joan and Don Price.*

