



CORA LYNN  
Merino & Poll Merino Stud

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# Newsletter – AUGUST 2023



Welcome to our August 2023 Newsletter. This year marks 122 years that the Lindsay family have been on “Cora Lynn” and also the 77th Anniversary of Cora Lynn Merino Stud, founded in 1946 by the Late James and Ron Lindsay. Cora Lynn was the first registered Wonga Daughter Stud in Australia.

Whilst this season is proving to be a little on the drier side, coupled with at the very least, “interesting” sheep prices, I think during these challenging times we should take stock of what we have, how fortunate we have been to ride on good solid prices in previous years and also remember that those wonderful merinos are still out there, growing wool and raising lambs...regardless of season or stock prices.

Over the past 122 years, merinos have certainly “put bread on the table” and many times subsidised other farming pursuits.

It is so important that we keep our eye on the prize and continue to breed the best

sheep we can.

Some of you may have noticed an absence of Cora Lynn in the Show ring and at some sheep displays.

Whilst these events are important to showcase our rams, we have been concerned with the growing trend of many studs to display “hot house” show rams, not really providing an accurate indication of the commercial capability of these rams.

Whilst it is possible to feed up rams to staggering weights and even brighten wool with the correct feed ration, we believe this is misleading and not the way we would like to progress. Likewise there is an attrition rate when showing sheep and often your best young rams are held back for 12 months or more whilst doing a show run!

This year, our rams have run on relatively dry pastures with oats as a supplement. Four weeks ago the top 50 were chosen to be shedded at night and receive a higher protein mix – 1 bag feeds the full 50, so certainly not getting pumped to a level that can affect their fertility or longevity.

Young rams that are overfed, generally take a long time to “let down” something we have done for many years with some Stud sires we have purchased and pushing young animals to excessive weights generally leads to joint and mobility issues.

Of course young sheep destined for the abattoir are a different story. I would love to see studs display overfed wethers as a commercial representation of what they can do and let the rams grow out a little more “holistically”!

We are thrilled with this years team. The rams were shorn in March and side sampled in late August. They are rams bred from the best Cora Lynn, Wanganella and Poll Boonoke genetics.

We are fiercely proud of our 77 years of breeding to keep abreast and ahead of changing times and trends and believe we provide well balanced and exceptionally productive rams. We are always grateful for the support of our clients. Please feel free to contact us at anytime

Steve, Rob and Kay

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# ON PROPERTY SALE 2022



Top priced horned ram lot 13, was purchased by Kelvin Williams representing J and K Williams, Young. The ram had a micron of 17.8 and a comfort factor of 99.2.

Other buyers included clients Andy & James Strahorn, Tomingley, purchasing 5 rams, Ian Taylor, Bogan gate, purchasing four rams, the Carney family, Wellington, purchasing four rams and Tony McLean, Tullamore, four rams.

The sale was conducted by Hartin, Schute Bell, Narromine with Jason Hartin as the auctioneer.

## 2022- SALE RESULT

The 35th annual Cora Lynn Merino ram sale was held at Peak Hill last Wednesday, Proving to be the wettest sale on record with road closures and 70mm falling within the 24hours!

Despite the weather, the Lindsay's were thrilled with the sale result, with a 75 % clearance of rams reaching a \$3800 top and \$1950 overall average, an increase of \$245 on the previous year.

In the breakdown Rob, Kay and Steve Lindsay of the Cora Lynn stud sold Poll Merino rams to a top of \$3800 and averaged \$2200, while Merino rams sold to a \$2300 top and averaged \$1570. Top priced Ram – lot 4, a son of Poll Boonoke 170374 x PB 155026 purchased by the Lindsay family in 2018 for \$20,000. The 16.9-micron ram with a comfort factor of 99.8 was purchased by David Johnstone, Four Winds, Tenterfield..... The Johnstone's also secured another 3 lots.

## 36th Annual On-Property Ram Sale Wednesday 20th September

INSPECTION PRIOR TO SALE DAY  
AVAILABLE

40 RAMS

SIDESAMPLED 25th August 2023

CATALOGUE AVAILABLE ONLINE EARLY  
SEPTEMBER

Lunch provided

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# IMPACT SIRES



WANGANELLA 170374 - \$20,000 - Top Priced Wanganella Ram 2019

In 2011, Cora Lynn decided to establish a family from the famous Wanganella stud, purchasing the top priced horned Ram offered during the 150th Anniversary sale for \$26,000.

Cora Lynn was successful in purchasing the top priced Wanganella ram in 2019 ( pictured above). An incredibly large ram with a pure muzzle, deep flank and well nourished, stylish wool. Micron 21.2, SD 3.2, CV 15.1, CF 99.3. EMD 39.0, Fat Scan 5.5mm. A highly productive ram sired by Wanganella 151992 - Sold for 22,000 in 2016.



POLL BOONOKE 170374 - \$20,000 - 2nd Top Priced Poll Ram 2019

Cora Lynn established its poll stud with the purchase of semen from Kamora Park 204 a very big, upstanding and correct ram. We also had other Poll crosses dating back to when P/GK had a Poll stud in the 1970's.

Cora Lynn secured the second top-priced ram of the sale 2018, Poll Bonooke 170374, for \$20,000.

With a micron of 20.5 and weighing 120kg, it was sired by Poll Boonoke 150026 and had 3.0 SD, 14.6pc CV and 99.7pc CF with an EMD of 42mm and fat scan of 6mm.

In the top 1pc for yearling weight with an ASBV of 11.0, the PB170374 was also top 5pc for YCFW with a figure of 27.4 and DP+ with an index of 162, and top 10pc for MP+ at 158.4.



CORA LYNN SECURES TWO NEW SIRES AT THE WANGANELLA & POLL BOONOKE ANNUAL RAM SALE 14 SEPTEMBER 2022

Cora Lynn was successful in purchasing the third top price Poll ram, Lot number 6 for \$20,000.

PB210204 FD: 20.1 SD: 2.6 CV: 12.9 CF: 99.8 BWT: 128kg

PB210204 was sired by PB160612 (PP) x Collinsville Poll 120102 x Glenlea Park 090004

Cora Lynn was also successful in purchasing Lot number 12 for \$9,000.

W210624 FD: 17.7 S.D: 3.1 CV: 17.5 CF: 99.8 BWT: 126.5

W210624 was sired by W19035 X Greenfields 160001