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merinos**

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## For your diary

**Plevna Merinos  
Inspection and Information  
Day**

Friday 23rd September  
Ram Inspection 1pm to 3pm

## **Plevna Merinos Ram Sale**

Tuesday, 4th October  
10am inspection  
12pm BBQ lunch  
1pm Sale Commences  
Sale will comply with Covid  
safe guidelines.



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Plevna Merinos  
news and happenings.

# WOOLPRESS

## EWES -LETTER + INVITATION

2022

Hello and welcome to our 2022 Newsletter and Invitation to our 10th Annual Sale. 2022 has rolled on in a similar fashion to 2020 and 2021, albeit with some added complications!

At Plevna our focus is breeding a dual purpose sheep with a great wool that is attractive



to shearers and less reliant on chemical. A lower input sheep that gives a higher return per acre in the country it is in. Boyd will discuss this more at the open day. We have received good client feedback in this area.

Earlier in the year we attended a wool harvesting workshop in Conargo which was a display of any new developments in this area.

One of our biggest problems seems to be we are still basically harvesting wool the same way we were 100 years ago.

There were some interesting concepts on display mainly in the form of sheep delivery systems eliminating the dragging of the sheep, as well as some shearing platform technology.

The Shear Easy System of Grant Burbidge was one of the better ones. As well the Peak Hill Industries' Shear Ezycsystem shows a lot of potential.

For anyone who is interested [www.peakhillindustries.com.au](http://www.peakhillindustries.com.au) and [www.burbidgefarms.com/wool-harvesting](http://www.burbidgefarms.com/wool-harvesting).

There were also designs on modular shearing race units.

Plevna is a member of Responsible Wool Services (RWS) and the Schneider group Authentico, which has enabled us to access the non mulshed premiums with our wool clip. These have varied from 15 to 20%.

This seems to be a growing trend and is a path to the future for wool with the more plain bodied multi-purpose merino, such

as Plevna, producing lambs, great fleece and easy care.

We had some great results at our sale last year.

- 99/100 rams sold
- Top was \$4750 bought by John and Janet Simmons and family.
- Average was \$1944
- Also the Ram purchase proceeds

of Lot 12 purchased by Rawson and Kerry Leach of \$3250 which went to a local family in need.

Thank you to all buyers.

Come and see what we have to offer. Inspection and Information Day Friday September 23.

Sale Tuesday 4 October. BBQ lunch 12pm, sale 1pm.



• Grant Burbidge showing Eliza Kelly how to shear using his Shear Easy System.

**We look forward to seeing you at our Inspection Day and Sale**

*Boydie and Alex.*



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### Making ASBVs work for you

- Pick a visual type that suits you.
- Match traits that align with your Breeding objective. E.g. Early growth target weaning weight (WWT)
- Realise some traits are antagonistic e.g. fleece weight is negatively correlated with fertility. Selection for fleece weight alone will result in decreased reproduction rates over time.
- Only select 3 to 5 traits, anymore will slow your genetic gain to your breeding objective.

Contact Boyd for any questions.

## You're Invited

### **2022 Open Day:**

Friday the 23rd of September.

**Guest Speaker** Wendy Gill Achieve Ag - 1pm

Sale rams will be displayed in lot numbers from 1pm to 3pm.

Also, on display will be a selection of Sires, breeding ewes and client's sheep.

### **2022 Sale Day:**

Tuesday the 4th of October.

80 Rams will be penned for inspection from 10.30 am onwards.

Also on display will be Sires, breeding ewes & Client's sheep.

**Sale commences at 1pm.**

Please RSVP for catering [ajaveyard@bigpond.com](mailto:ajaveyard@bigpond.com) or 0428921087

NSW COVID regulations no longer require masks in outdoor settings

## **Information Day Guest Speaker Wendy Gill from Achieve Ag**

The Inspection day will start at 1pm with a quick introduction and rundown on Plevna sheep.

Followed by Guest Speaker Wendy Gill from Achieve Ag.

We are excited to have Wendy Gill offer her professional services to our business.

We, as Sheep Breeders, often rely on the shopfront for technical advice when it comes to drenching, fly chemical application, nutrition and other animal health information. This often can lead to drenching when not needed, drenching with the wrong product, reliance on one chemical leading to resistance issues. We are seeing this with many of our chemical groups used in our drenching and fly preventative programs.

Having someone like Wendy on your side

can lead to a much more successful long term program.....

Wendy runs her own business called Achieve Ag

She will discuss:

- The services within her business, including worm testing
- Give an overview of the AWI SimpliFly extension program and talk about other flystrike extension programs that AWI are currently releasing.
- Discuss other topical information like feed quality etc.
- If time permits she will be available if people want to chat after the ram inspections have finished.
- The ram inspection will follow Wendy's presentation.



- 2021 Sale team lined up for inspection.

## **Client Achievements**

- John, Janet Simmons and family placed 2nd in the Ted Little Memorial Ewe Competition 2022
- Plevna blood 2021 wethers topped the Forbes saleyard sale 16/08/2022
- Plevna blood attracting solid Auctions Plus interest

# **RAM SALE + INSPECTION DAY**



**RAMS BRED WITH RESILIENCE –  
NO PRODUCTION FEEDING  
5 YEARS CEASED MULESING**

## **INSPECTION & INFORMATION DAY – FRIDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER**

- Ram inspection 1pm – 3pm
- Rams in lot numbers.

## **RAM SALE – TUESDAY 4 OCTOBER**

**Heavy cutting commercial sheep**

### **• FLEECE WEIGHTS:**

Long term average of 19.4 micron across the flock, 7.2kg fleece in adult ewes.

### **• FERTILITY & GOOD MOTHERING:**

High percentage of lambs weaned to ewes joined. Our stud ewes must rear lambs as a maiden to retain their place in the stud.

### **10th ANNUAL SALE**

- Offering top 80 Poll & Merino rams
- Inspection from 10.30am. Inspections prior to the sale by appointment.
- BBQ lunch 12pm • Sale commences 1pm
- For more info, call Boyd Aveyard 0428 921 087, or Jake Lebrocque 0429 571 643.



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**Plevna Dual Purpose Merinos - the right balance of wool, meat and lambs.**