



AUSTRALIAN HAMPSHIRE DOWN BREEDERS ASSOCIATION



August 2015 Newsletter



2015 HAMILTON SHEEPVENTION ASSBA INTERBREED GROUP 3RD

Picture: Helen Raven (Jurambula, Flock 183) with her 3rd place group in the ASSBA Interbreed.

2015 AUSTRALIAN SHEEP & WOOL SHOW

This year at the Australian Sheep and Wool Show the Hampshire Downs were well represented with 37 exhibits from six exhibitors. The largest class was the 'Ewe under 1 ½ years shorn' class with nine entries. All rams had to be scanned before being shown, some exhibits registered a muscle score of 50mm and more. The judge was Robert Grieve who made many comments on the carcass size and the large quantity of muscle carried on all exhibits.



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2015 AUSTRALIAN CHAMPION HAMPSHIRE DOWN RAM

Picture: Johnos (Flock 185) Champion Ram held by Brad Johnson with Judge Robert Grieve.

Judges Comments: An eye catching ram, head held up high, very stylish ram. (Ram under 1 ½ years old)
Weight: 94.5kg, Fat: 9mm, Muscle: 49mm

AUSTRALIAN SHEEP & WOOL SHOW 17/07/2015 (VIC) Judged by Mr Robert Grieve

Hampshire Down Classes

Ram over 1 ½ yrs shorn.	1 st Wollondale	2 nd Wollondale	3 rd Jurambula	4 th Boonong Park (7 in class)
Ram under 1 ½ yrs in wool.	1 st Johnos (1 in class)			
Ram under 1 ½ yrs shorn.	1 st Wollondale	2 nd Jurambula	3 rd Jurambula	4 th Johnos (7 in class)
Pair of Rams	1 st Johnos (1 in class)			
Ewe over 1 ½ yrs shorn.	1 st Wollondale	2 nd Jurambula	3 rd Jurambula	4 th Glen West (8 in class)
Ewe under 1 ½ yrs in wool.	1 st Johnos	2 nd Boonong Park (2 in class)		
Ewe under 1 ½ yrs shorn.	1 st Wollondale	2 nd Glen West	3 rd Johnos	4 th Wollondale (9 in class)
Group of 3, under 1 ½	1 st Wollondale	2 nd Jurambula (2 in class)		
Group of 3, over 1 ½	1 st Jurambula	2 nd Wollondale (2 in class)		

Champion Ram – Johnos (Ram under 1 ½ yrs in wool)

Reserve Champion – Wollondale (Ram under 1 ½ yrs shorn)

Champion Ewe - Wollondale (Ewe over 1 ½ yrs shorn)

Reserve Champion – Johnos (Ewe under 1 ½ yrs in wool)

Most Successful Exhibitor - Wollondale

Picture (Right): Largest Class with nine exhibits

Ewe under 1 ½ yrs shorn.

1st Wollondale 2nd Glen West 3rd Johnos
4th Wollondale





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2015 AUSTRALIAN CHAMPION HAMPSHIRE DOWN EWE

Picture: Wollondale (Flock 210) Champion Ewe held by Heidi Sherwood.

Judges Comments: Lamb at foot, carries herself well, full of meat and milk. (Ewe 1 ½ years old and over, closely and evenly shorn)

BALLARAT SHEEP SHOW 26/07/2015 (VIC)

Champion Ram – Aurora Park (Ram over 1 ½ yrs shorn)

Reserve Champion Ram – Boonong Park (Ram over 1 ½ yrs shorn)

Champion Ewe – Aurora Park (Ewe over 1 ½ yrs shorn)

Reserve Champion Ewe – Aurora Park (Ewe under 1 ½ yrs shorn)



2015 BALLARAT SHEEP SHOW CHAMPION HAMPSHIRE DOWN EWE

Picture: Interbreed line up, Aurora Park (Flock 178) Champion Ewe held by Mathew Hill, and Kane Hildred holding the ewe lamb.



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HAMILTON SHEEPVENTION 03/08/2015 (VIC) Judged by Graeme McCarthy

Hampshire Down Classes

Ram over 1 ½ yrs shorn.	1 st Jurambula	2 nd Jurambula
Ram under 1 ½ yrs in wool.	1 st Jurambula	
Ram under 1 ½ yrs shorn.	1 st Jurambula	2 nd Jurambula
Ewe under 1 ½ yrs in wool.	1 st Jurambula	2 nd Jurambula
Ewe under 1 ½ yrs shorn.	1 st Jurambula	2 nd Jurambula
Sires Progeny	1 st Jurambula	
Group of 3	1 st Jurambula	

Champion Ram – Jurambula (Ram under 1 ½ yrs shorn)
Reserve Champion – Jurambula (Ram over 1 ½ yrs shorn)
Champion Ewe - Jurambula (Ewe under 1 ½ yrs in wool)
Reserve Champion – Jurambula (Ewe under 1 ½ yrs shorn)

Most Successful Exhibitor - Jurambula



Picture (Above): Hampshire Down Rams at Sheepvention



Tag: 4169/14, Weight: 107.5kg, Fat: 12mm,
Muscle: 50mm



Tag: 4022/14, Weight: 81.5kg, Fat: 12mm,
Muscle: 49mm

2015 HAMILTON SHEEPVENTION CHAMPION HAMPSHIRE DOWN RAM (left), & EWE (right)

Picture: Jurambula (Flock 183) Champion Ram & Ewe held by Helen Raven.

On the 19th of April a few of our breeders attended the ASSBA Victoria education day. One of the speakers was Professor Jon Hickford from Lincoln University in New Zealand. Jon was very insightful with his talk in the sheep genetic area. The laboratory that he works at provides testing for many different gene markers on genotypes. Some of the tests the laboratory works on are Footrot, Cold Tolerance, Scrapie, Dermatosparaxis (White Dorper) and T+ Muscling (Texels). More information about these tests can be found at the laboratory website (below)

<http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/Lincoln-Home/Research/Research-and-testing-service/Gene-marker-laboratory/>

EWES WANTED!

Adam Bartlett (South East Victoria) is currently looking for a large number of Hampshire Down ewes.
Mobile: 0458 850 375



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If you would like any photos of your flock, shows or articles posted by the page, please email Mathew Hill (mattyboy24@live.com).

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Flock 178 - Aurora Park Hampshire Down Stud VIC
Flock 185 - Johnnos SA/VIC
Flock 203 - Rolling Hills Hampshire Downs Stud NSW
Flock 211 - Hayes Stud VIC

Flock 183 - Jurambula NSW
Flock 202 - Wollondale Hampshire Downs NSW
Flock 210 - Boonong Park Hampshire Downs VIC

A reminder that the Australian Hampshire Down Breeders Association **AGM** will be held at the **Devonport Show (TAS)**.

Shows

FEBRUARY

Bushy Park (TAS)

MARCH

Balmoral Show (VIC)

Korumburra (VIC)

Red Hill (VIC)

Pakenham (VIC)

APRIL

Bunyip (VIC)

Berwick (VIC)

Royal Sydney Easter (NSW)

JUNE

Campbell Town (TAS)

JULY

Australian Sheep & Wool Show (VIC)

Ballarat Sheep Show (VIC)

AUGUST

Hamilton Sheepvention (VIC)

SEPTEMBER

Royal Adelaide (SA)

Royal Melbourne (VIC)

Horsham (VIC)

OCTOBER

Royal Geelong (VIC)

Warrnambool (VIC)

Royal Launceston (TAS)

Longford (TAS)

Royal Hobart (TAS)

NOVEMBER

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Devonport (TAS)

Ballarat Show (VIC)

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