

# Alma Merinos

Poll & Horned Genetics

Rams for **Wool**, **Sheep** and **Meat Sales**

## Spring 2020 Newsletter

For **Alma** clients and Western woolgrowers



### Spring 2020

Significant Autumn rains followed by optimum growing conditions and timely showers have resulted in one of the best seasons we have experienced at **Alma**. After a tough start in 2019 this year's sale rams have flourished in the last 6 months producing a **clean, bright, nourished clip of wool** and continuing to grow out rapidly. The last 12 months has highlighted their ability to **survive** through the tough seasons and **thrive** when times are good. All rams are in excellent condition and looking forward to joining.

An abundance of feed available in Autumn allowed the ewes to lamb down very well and we saw unscanned paddock run mobs marking over **125% of lambs**. We have heard similar stories from **Alma** clients across the region and are extremely happy with the ewe's performance. It is a pleasure to see the Hay Plains **green** again.

The annual **Alma Ram Sale** day is on **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September**, with Poll and Horn rams available for selection. We welcome any prospective clients to view the sale rams in the paddock before the sale or in the yards during the sale day. Please contact us to make your appointment.

### 2020 Sale Rams

***Poll and Horned Rams will be available***

**RAM GRADES**

**POLL: \$800**

**HORNED: \$750**

(GST Exclusive)

**Alma Sale Ram Day**

**Thursday 24 September**

**Please contact us at Alma to place your order.**

### Alma Diary 2020

- **Alma Sale Ram Preview**  
Woolgrowers are invited to preview the 2020 **Alma Sale Rams**. Please contact [Peter](#) or [Will](#) at Alma
- **Friday 18 September 2020**  
**Hay September Sheep Sale**  
Alma and Yamba Station will have 550 1yr and 900 5yr ewes on offer
- **Thursday 24 September 2020**  
**Alma Sale Ram Day**  
Rams are in excellent condition and ready for joining.

**" well-nourished wool on a big, plain bodied sheep. "**

## Investment in Quality Genetics

**Alma Merinos** attended the **Glenville Merino and Poll Merino Annual** on property sale at Cowell SA. This was an unusual trip including a detour via Broken Hill, a permit to enter the state and a visit to a virus testing clinic.

4 Poll Merino Sires were purchased, including the equal top priced ram of the sale. These rams have very large frames and are well structured with soft wool growing skins. They have bright white crimped wool with excellent staple length with micron ranging from 20-22micron and comfort factors up to 99.7.

These sires complement the **Alma Vision** to produce merinos which grow a true medium, stylish clip of wool on large framed rapidly growing animals suited to Western NSW.

We thank Daryl, Bary and Klay from Glenville and look forward to seeing the Poll Merino **Alma** Rams these sires can produce.



**Graham and Will with the equal top priced Glenville Poll Merino**

### The Alma Merino Vision

"To breed Merinos that adapt to and utilise the vegetation of Western NSW through all seasons; Merinos that provide a profitable business and lifestyle for their owners by producing valuable **Wool, Sheep** and **Meat Sales**."



**Woolly Alma Blood Sale Ewes**

## Fast Maturing Merinos

During classing in the middle of August the 1yr reserve rams **averaged 90kg** bodyweight. These rams have received no supplementary feeding and have been paddock reared on **native saltbush and clover** plains. We are very pleased with their progress and impressed how rapidly they have recovered from the dry Spring/Summer conditions.

This year's lambs are powering ahead with a majority of wethers ready to sell straight after weaning. Our 1yr and 5yr surplus ewes have been shorn and recovered from lambing. They are in the best possible condition and will be available at the **Hay September Sheep Sale on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September**.

With confidence remaining in the lamb and sheep markets we are looking forward to the season ahead and hope Spring sheep and meat sales go well for all.

Please [contact Peter, Will or Graham Morphett](#) to discuss your **Alma** ram requirements

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