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and January delivered.

Another of the Kowald's entries, comprising 108-head, was second in the same category.

Averages for lambs from Merino dams stood at 23.07kg, 3.0FS and 1829 bonus points.

Other interesting statistics showed 89pc of entrants used either Poll Dorset, Prime SAMM, White Suffolk or Suffolk sires but other breeds represented were Dorper, Coolalee, Greeline, South Suffolk, Texel, Dohne and Ile de France.

Based on performance Mr Davidson singled out Duranillin producers Rob and Danni Hewton's first ever entry of Ile de France cross lambs, saying they were a breed to watch after gaining eighth spot in the lambs from Merino ewes category.

On the ewe side, 86pc of breeders used Merino (40pc), Prime SAMMs, Prolific or Border Leicester but other maternal lines represented were Dorper, Greeline, Dohne, Poll Dorset, Prime SAMM-East Friesian cross,



Zoetis senior sale representative Ben Fletcher (left) had the opportunity to show the company's new vaccination gun to Remy Barrett and her father Wayne and Simon Cullam, all of Jerramungup, at last week's carcass competition awards.

Corriedale, Kelso and Texel.

Other data showed there was a difference of 60pc in the range of lamb marking with a low of 80pc compared

with 140pc for the highest, giving an 108pc average for all entrants.

Breaking it down further, 41pc of Merino dams

achieved a lamb marking rate of more than 100pc compared with 93pc of non pure Merino dams that averaged more than 100pc.

TOP 10 300+ LAMBS

PLACE	TRADING NAME	LOCATION	BREEDING	POINTS
1	Quintarra Farms	Esperance	SAMM x SAMM	2708.36
2	GH & CA Barrett	Jerramungup	SAMM x SAMM	2548.21
3	R. Nixon & Co	Kalannie	SAMM x Mo	2451.95
4	PD Lynch & Co	Hyden	Poll Dorset x (Merino & F1 SAMM)	2336.96
5	RW & PM Taylor	Lake Grace	SAMM x SAMM	2313.88
6	Naballing Estate	Woodanilling	SAMM x SAMM	2204.93
7	North Stirling Downs	Gnowangerup	Suffolk x Merino	2202.64
8	RD & LZ Cullam	Jerramungup	SAMM x SAMM	2188.85
9	RW & PM Taylor	Lake Grace	SAMM x SAMM	2146.82
10	Evergreen Grazing	Kojonup	Poll Dorset X F1 Prolific	2120.30

TOP 10 LAMBS FROM MERINO DAMS

PLACE	TRADING NAME	LOCATION	BREEDING	POINTS
1	Capemont Farms	Katanning	SAMM x Merino	2602.11
2	Capemont Farms	Katanning	SAMM x Merino	2584.28
3	R. Nixon & Co	Kalannie	SAMM x Merino	2451.95
4	Capemont Farms	Katanning	SAMM x Merino	2442.35
5	BW James & Sons	Hyden	(Poll Dorset & White Suffolk x Merino)	2296.76
6	T. O'Brien	Jennacubbine	Poll Dorset x Merino	2222.42
7	North Stirling Downs	Gnowangerup	Suffolk x Merino	2202.64
8	RJ & DS Hewton	Duranillin	Ile de France x Merino	2197.92
9	RE Blight & Co	Beverley	Poll Dorset x Merino	2191.96
10	RE Blight & Co	Beverley	Poll Dorset x Merino	2132.03