

TOP 10 300+ LAMBS

PLACE	TRADING NAME	LOCATION	BREEDING	POINTS
1	RW & PM Taylor	Lake Grace	Prime SAMM x Prime SAMM	2791.53
2	Ikewa Grazing	Mingenew	Prime SAMM x F1 Prime SAMM	2632.71
3	PT & IM Jensen & Sons	Pingaring	Prime SAMM x Merino	2585.33
4	RW & PM Taylor	Lake Grace	Prime SAMM x Prime SAMM	2556.30
5	GH & CA Barrett	Jerramungup	Prime SAMM x Prime SAMM	2531.75
6	Quintarra Farm	Esperance	Prime SAMM x Prime SAMM	2512.06
7	RD & LZ Cullam	Jerramungup	Prime SAMM x Prime SAMM	2448.37
8	Ryan Farming	Greenhills	White Suffolk x Composite	2437.93
9	Capemont Farms	Katanning	Prime SAMM x Merino	2415.10
10	RD & LZ Cullam	Jerramungup	Prime SAMM x Prime SAMM	2397.42

TOP 10 LAMBS from MERINO DAMS

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1	PT & IM Jensen & Sons	Pingaring	Prime SAMM x Merino	2585.33
2	Capemont Farms	Katanning	Prime SAMM x Merino	2469.73
3	Dare Farming	Wagin	Prime SAMM x Merino	2468.77
4	Capemont Farms	Katanning	Prime SAMM x Merino	2415.10
5	BJ & R Norrish & Son	Ravensthorpe	White Suffolk x Merino	2413.33
6	ME & LH O'Neill	Lake Grace	Prime SAMM x Merino	2400.85
7	Capemont Farms	Katanning	Prime SAMM x Merino	2367.73
8	Capemont Farms	Katanning	Prime SAMM x Merino	2332.42
9	RE Blight & Co	Beverley	Poll Dorset x Merino	2326.86
10	SK & TR Angwin	Wagin	Poll Dorset x Merino	2254.61

to introduce White Suffolk as a way to get lambs off even quicker.

Previous competition winners Peter, Isla, Craig & Rachel Jensen, Uralla stud, Pingaring, won two categories with a single line of lambs.

Their 418 Prime SAMM sired lambs that averaged 24.56kg with a 2.68FS and 2585.33BP achieved by 86.4pc of the draft took out the best line of lambs out of a Merino dam.

They also won the new section for the best line of unshorn spring lambs delivered before December 12.

Peter Jensen said they were primarily Merino people but turned off about 2000 Prime SAMM cross prime lambs to WAMMCO annually as well as a good percentage of their pure Merino lambs.

He said they had had a helpful season for their April drop lambs and were able to turn them off at five months of age.

They used Prime SAMMs as terminal sires and found the breed contributed to a better lambing percentage



Colin Joyce (left), CD & VJ Joyce, Kukerin, Kelly Gooch and Pauline Taylor, RW & PM Taylor, Lake Grace, WAMMCO chief executive officer Coll MacRury, WAMMCO's Damien Giumelli, Michael O'Neill, ME & LH O'Neill, Lake Grace, Graeme Taylor, Elders Lake Grace, Ross Taylor, Kal Joyce, Kelvin O'Neill and WAMMCO supply development officer Rob Davidson.

than they could achieve by using Merino sires.

This year's event used the same weight, fat score and lean meat yield grid as in previous years but in recognition of the increased demand for heavyweight lambs, especially from North American customers, the upper limit for the ideal

carcase weight was increased from 24kg to 26kg further playing to the Prime SAMM's renowned ability to produce heavy lean lambs.

This year 25,089 lambs from 93 consignments were assessed bringing the total over the 12 years to more than 235,000 lambs and the

number of first time entrants who finished highly in the different categories was also a highlight for the organisers.

As an overall group this year's lambs averaged 23.33kg with an average 3.04 FS and gained an

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