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2025 SALE RAMS

- ✓ VISUAL EMPHASIS
- ✓ RAW MEASUREMENT
- ✓ FULL PEDIGREE
- ✓ FULL ASBV'S

*Ensuring predictable
breeding!*

Wednesday 17th September, 2025
Sale at 1pm - Inspections from 9am

160 Rams Offered

200 Grade Rams available from mid-September

Ram Inspection Day - Saturday 6th September from 9am

Breeding for Quality with Productivity

2025 / Season News

Our family would like to sincerely thank everyone for their continued support throughout the 2025 ram selling season. Each year, we remain committed to improving our sheep by focusing on profit-driving traits during selection—ultimately delivering more profitable genetics for you, our valued clients and friends.

In 2025, we continue to operate as a productive family team, with Glen, Margot, Mitch, and Kevin working side by side. It's a privilege to carry on this legacy across three generations.

This year also saw Campbell return to Wollongong to play Rugby League in the St George Illawarra Dragons pathways system (Jersey Flegg U21's), while completing his fitter machinist trade—an exciting step in both his sporting and professional life.

This year has shown the value of Merinos with both high fleece quality and strong early growth. With the right genetics and management, growers have been able to capitalise on a strong sheep market. We acknowledge the varied seasonal conditions our clients have faced in recent months. For those who have enjoyed a strong start to the year, we hope your crops and pastures continue to thrive into spring. For those in regions that have experienced a dry start, please know we are thinking of you—and we hope recent rain has brought some relief, with improved conditions ahead as we move into spring.

At Lachlan Merinos, we prioritise commercial reality when making breeding decisions within our stud operation.

We continue to take an aggressive approach to our breeding program, investing in two large Embryo Transfer (ET) and Artificial Insemination (AI) programs for our 2025 lambing. This year, we predominantly used Lachlan Poll sires, including industry-leading sire LM 220118, alongside WIR220450 — a ram purchased at Bendigo in 2023 for \$70,000. Sons of both LM 220118 and 220450 will make up a significant portion of our 2025 sale team. We're excited about the impact these two sires will have, as their progeny are set to further elevate the productivity and profitability of our clients' flocks into the future.

We continue to invest significant time and resources into measuring every stud lamb born on-farm. This process begins at lamb marking, where DNA is collected to determine both parentage and genomics across ewe and ram progeny. From there, we track and record all measurable traits throughout each sheep's lifetime.

This rigorous approach allows us to identify and select animals that excel in key profit-driving traits. Combined with our ruthless classing criteria for structure, conformation, and heavy-cutting, high-quality wools, this balanced selection strategy drives strong, reliable genetic gain—for both our stud and our clients.



We believe that when genomic data is applied thoughtfully and in harmony with visual assessment and classing, it becomes a powerful tool that sets the foundation for long-term profitability and progress.

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Client Spotlight

Schilg Family Success

Congratulations once again to **Ben Schilg and family “Piney Range”** on their outstanding achievements at the **2025 Hay Sheep Show!**

The Schilg family first introduced **Lachlan genetics** in 2014 and continue to demonstrate the strength, consistency, and quality of their breeding program.

Their impressive 2025 results include:

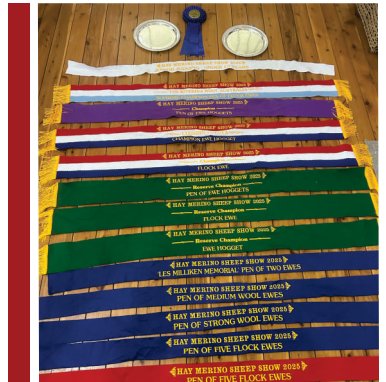
- 1st Pen of 5 Flock Ewes
- 2nd Pen of 5 Flock Ewes
- 1st Pen of 5 Strong Wool Ewe Hoggets
- 1st Pen of 5 Medium Wool Ewe Hoggets
- Champion Pen of Ewe Hoggets
- Supreme Champion Pen of Flock Ewes
- Best Two Ewes (Any Class)
- Champion Ewe Hogget
- Champion Flock Ewe
- Reserve Champion Flock Ewe
- Most Successful Exhibitor – Flock Section



A special mention and congratulations to **Des and Irene Ryan, ‘Temora’** who have been using Lachlan genetics for the last 15 years. They were very competitive on the day, coming second and third to the Schilg teams in each class they competed in!

It's fantastic to see passionate Merino breeders being recognised for their dedication, with the next generation also playing an active role in their success.

These outstanding results highlight the ongoing performance and versatility of **Lachlan genetics** — consistently producing sheep with exceptional wool quality and quantity, combined with terrific structure and conformation that stand out both in the paddock and the show ring.



Jones Family Wether Success

Year after year, the **Jones family** follows a proven system — running their wethers for two years, shearing them three times, and then selling them as two-year-olds.

This year, their wethers sold to a **top of \$250** and **averaged \$240**. Prior to sale, they cut **8.5 kg of wool at 19.5 microns**.

These results clearly demonstrate that Merino enterprises remain highly competitive in terms of **gross margin per hectare** — especially when genetics deliver high-value wool, positive carcass traits, and exceptional growth. This further highlights the practical outcomes of the Jones family's success in the **Australian Merino Production Trial** over the past two years.

Vale – Alan Knight

A valued client and dear friend for over 20 years, **Alan Knight** was known for his dedication to breeding top-quality Merinos and his deep passion for wool and farming. He was an extremely hard worker whose legacy will be remembered with great respect and admiration.




LACHLAN MERINO

SIRES

SEMEN POLL SIRE: LM 220118 PP

(AI BRED) SIRE: GP180030
DAM: LM170639



2023 14.5 MTHS	2025 3 YRS OLD
MICRON 17.7	MICRON 18.1
SD 2.3	SD 3.1
CV 13.0	CV 17.0
CF % 99.9	CF % 99.5
BW 109.5KG	BW 143KG


ASBVS	WP	SM	PWT	YWT	YEMD	YFAT	YCGFW	ACFW	YFD	YSL
	205	165	8.6	10.8	0.03	-1.18	47.5	35.7	-2.1	9.3

Lachlan 220118 stood out early as a ram lamb, showing such promise that he was selected for both Artificial Insemination (AI) and Embryo Transfer (ET) as a lamb.

From the outset, his correctness, balance, and presence have been exceptional. He stands square and correct on all four feet, with structure and symmetry that consistently impress. His hindquarters are particularly well shaped, and his overall structure is balanced and correct. His width flows smoothly from front to back, complemented by a soft, pure muzzle.

He carries a long, soft, free-growing fleece on a loose, uncomplicated skin, with exceptional whiteness that continues right through to the belly. He's the type of sire that suits joining across a wide range of ewe types, offering versatility without compromise.

Lachlan 220118 is the best ram we've ever bred—his breeding performance has been outstanding.



His progeny are consistently well balanced, with excellent back ends, depth, and length. They carry thick, waxy, white wool with excellent staple length and lock, all on uncomplicated skins.

At our 2024 on-property auction, 18 of his progeny sold to a top of \$13,000, averaging \$5,222.


Over the past two years, LM220118 has been widely used across the industry. According to Sheep Genetics, he now has 466 recorded progeny across 8 different flocks—highlighting the strength and accuracy of his data.

He has also been entered in the 2025 Drop South West Slopes Sire Evaluation. This will provide even more robust data on his performance, including for traits that are otherwise hard to measure. We're excited to see how he compares against industry benchmarks and to offer even greater confidence to our clients through increased accuracy.

SEMEN: \$70/dose + GST

LACHLAN MERINO SIRE

SEMEN POLL SIRE LM 220450 'KING' PP (AI BRED) SIRE: WIR 200037
DAM: WP 180490




2023 14 MTHS	2025 3 YRS OLD
MICRON	MICRON
19.6	19.1
SD	SD
2.8	3.3
CV	CV
14.1	17.4
CF %	CF %
99.3	99.8
BW	BW
117KG	149KG

ASBVS	WP	SM	PWT	YWT	YEMD	YFAT	YCGFW	ACFW	YFD	YSL
	214	161	7.3	8.5	0.32	-0.45	47.5	35.7	-0.8	14.6

An opportunity to buy a ram of this calibre is rare.
Originally destined to be retained as a stud sire at Wiringa Park, WA, we were fortunate to privately purchase him for \$70,000, with a 50% semen share, at the 2023 Bendigo Sheep Show.

"This young ram stood out at weaning and has continued to grow into a tremendously well-balanced young sire. He was used at Wiringa Park as a ram lamb, both via AI and naturally, such was the confidence we had in him. He has all the traits of a true modern stud sire—structurally very correct, with short pasterns, squareness, and wool that oozes nourishment, lustre, staple length, and density." —Allan Hoble, Wiringa Park

His wool quality — especially between the hips and at the back of the head—is exceptional and hard to find elsewhere.



SEMEN: \$70/dose + GST

WIR 220450 was entered in the Sire Evaluation Trial in South Australia, where his performance has further supported what we've seen in his progeny across the country. With lambs now on the ground in NSW, VIC, SA, and WA, his progeny are proving to be highly productive, uncomplicated animals with high fleece weights and strong carcass traits. Scan the QR code to access the full sire evaluation report showcasing 220450's dominant performance.

He consistently delivers a **high percentage of top-end animals** with a notably low cull rate. His ability to perform across a wide range of environments reinforces his value as a reliable, industry-relevant sire.



Over the past two years, 220450 has been used extensively across the industry. According to Sheep Genetics, he currently has **424 recorded progeny across 6 different flocks**—further validating the accuracy and reliability of his performance data.

Lachlan Merinos

More than just a Ram Source

At Lachlan Merinos, we go beyond providing top-quality rams. Our full range of services includes:

- **Expert Sheep Classing** tailored to your flock's needs
Glen and Mitch offer a free classing service to all clients at Lachlan Merinos. Having an experienced outside perspective to class your own ewes is a highly valuable process. This helps improve the evenness of your flock and boosts productivity by identifying top-tier structure, growth, fleece quality, and quantity.
They're also more than happy to assist with ram selections, using their expertise to recommend the right types of rams that align perfectly with your breeding goals and program.
- **Ongoing support through regular advice on management and breeding decisions**
We are always more than happy to share our experiences and collaborate with our clients, as we believe this relationship is highly beneficial for everyone involved. This also benefits our breeding program—when visiting clients, it allows us to better understand how we can breed superior stock to further improve your flock.
- **Free ram delivery right to your doorstep**
We offer free ram delivery to all eastern states of Australia if you are unable to pick up your rams on sale day.
- **Comprehensive EID and technical support to keep you ahead**
Mitch has extensive experience in data collection and EID tag use. With the recent NSW EID mandate, if you have any concerns, questions, or would like to ask about our tag preferences, Mitch is happy to share his insights on how EID tags can benefit you and your sheep breeding program.
- **Assistance with surplus sheep connections and marketing to maximize your returns**
We regularly receive inquiries looking for Lachlan Merino blood ewes for sale. Lachlan Merino sheep continue to be in high demand on Auctions Plus. We are more than happy to help you achieve the maximum price for your quality stock—whether that's by connecting you with interested buyers or sharing your stock on our social media channels. We're committed to securing the best outcomes for our clients!

We're committed to helping you succeed at every stage of your sheep enterprise.



PREJOINING PROGRAMS : ALL ABOUT GETTING INTO THE BEST FIELD POSITION TO GET THE BEST POINTS

Dr Tim Gole BVSc MANZCVs (Sheep Medicine)
For Flocks Sake Pty Ltd Dubbo



What does Rugby have to do with pre-joining programs and sheep reproductive programs? Pretty much everything Rugby is a great analogy. The pre-joining program is the same concept as pre-season rugby training or pre-game fitness testing . How many Wallabies took on the Lions recently without a fitness test? Answer - none - because winning is too important. In the sheep business game getting the best reproductive result sets up cash flow but also our ability to maximise selection intensity for genetic gain So the pre-joining program is like the score board at half time (scanning) - start strong & you are in a good position, but get a bad kick off and you're playing catch-up for a draw. As a veterinary-based sheep advice and services business our motto is "control the controllables" and setting up pre-joining right is in our control

Here's our top 4 pre-joining tips

1 PRE-JOINING RAM EXAMS

We invest so much in quality rams to provide high performance, yet do we treat them like athletes? The pre-joining fitness exam occurs 10 weeks pre-joining - it focuses on Teeth, Testes and Toes . We do this a min 6-10 weeks prior, so that we can do any management , improve performance and make sure they are good to go. It's also cheap insurance against a Brucellosis disaster.

2 NUTRITION

No surprises here. Ewe body condition score at joining drives a large part of scanning results but learning how to body condition score and getting your hand on some ewes allows you to get an altimeter and get in great field position for when the ram goes in. Close to joining and a fair way off ideal? Flushing with energy/protein (esp lupins) is a great way to stage a comeback from inside your own half.

3 PRE-JOINING EWE EXAMS

Never heard of them? This was born from MLA research which shows that "unfit" ewes are 4.4 x more likely to scan dry, have 3x higher mortality rates and birth lambs with a 21% higher risk of death. Can we control the quality of ewes that take the field? We certainly can. Pre-joining ewe exams is super quick ...hint - focus on udders and feet.

4 TEASERS AND TRICK PLAYS

Who doesn't like a tricky back-line move where there's dummy passes tricking the defence? Well thats what using vasectomized rams does - tricks the ewes into cycling earlier. Great for maidens and ewe lambs. Joining before December? Regulin is a melatonin implant that tricks the ewe to thinking its peak joining season.



Reflections from China

A Young Woolgrower's Perspective



Earlier this month, I had the incredible opportunity to travel to China as part of a young Australian wool industry delegation. Alongside seven other emerging leaders from across the country, we were warmly welcomed by the Chinese wool trade, Australian Government representatives, and some of Australia's most important wool customers.

Our tour included visits to leading textile mills such as Tianyu, Sunwoo, Xinao, Nanshan, and JHT Textiles. Seeing firsthand how our wool is processed and valued at the other end of the supply chain was truly eye-opening. At every stop, we were met with enthusiasm and hospitality that reflected the strong bond between our industries. One of the highlights was being received at the Australian Consulate in Shanghai by Acting Consul-General Khadija Haq and Gary Cowan, CEO of the National Foundation for Australia-China Relations (NFACR). Mr. Cowan spoke about the importance of building trade and cultural links—a message that really resonated with all of us on the tour.

Thanks to the NFACR grant and the organisation by Australian Wool Innovation (AWI), this trip has been an unforgettable experience. It's not every day you get to connect directly with the people and businesses who rely on the wool we produce

back home. Their shared passion for our product gave us a huge boost of confidence in the future of our industry.

In Beijing, we had the privilege of meeting Australian Ambassador Scott Dewar, who gave us valuable insights into the government-to-government aspects of the Australia-China relationship, and what this means for trade going forward.

I'm incredibly grateful for the support that made this trip possible. It's experiences like these that inspire young woolgrowers like myself to keep striving and to continue building strong, lasting relationships with our global partners.





20 YEARS OF ON PROPERTY RAM SALES



2025 / Ram Selling Season



Ram Sale Catalogue

Digital copies of the catalogue will be available from Sept 1st, and a Printed catalogue will be available at our On Property inspection day, 6th September. Please note the catalogue will be made up of data from the most up to date ASBV's from Sheep Genetics, as well as current, up to date raw fleece measurements.

Pre-sale ram inspection day

Sale Rams will be available for inspection prior to our 2024 Ram Sale, on Saturday 6th September. If you are unable to attend either sale or inspection day, please contact one of the team to arrange an inspection.

Auction Agents

Nutrien Stud Stock NSW will be the agents conducting the Auction.

Contact Brad Wilson: 0417 467 911

Outside Agents

4% rebate will be offered to outside agents in attendance on the day.

Semen Marketing Rights

Lachlan Merinos retains 50% Semen Marketing Rights unless negotiated prior to the sale.

For Buyers Unable to Attend on the Day

All rams will once again be videoed and available on YouTube, with the full catalogue accessible on our website.

If you are unable to attend the sale or inspection day, please get in touch with either:

Brad Wilson – 0417 467 911

Glen or Mitch from the Lachlan team

We're more than happy to assist with any remote purchases or provide additional information.

Lachlan Pro

The second selection of Lachlan PRO Poll Rams will be available during the 2025 ram selling season, in the auction or for private selection. These select group of rams have been specifically bred from specially selected Lachlan Poll ewes, where the breeding objective has been for a greater emphasis on carcass, early growth, staple length and breech traits, resulting in these sheep being NON-MULESED. These sheep have the backing of some powerful ASBV's, as well as terrific width of body, depth in the hindquarter and structurally sound. We have proactively developed this family within the stud as an option for those breeders who have ceased mulesing or focusing more on carcass.

We urge you to consider this when buying rams this year

1. This year's selections will impact lambs born in 2026.
2. Progeny will be 1yr old in 2027
3. This progeny will still be breeding stock in 2030/2031

Now is the Time to Maximise Your Flock's Profitability!

The window to breed the most profitable sheep is brief when viewed in the context of long-term success. We commend our existing clients who have chosen Lachlan Genetics and encourage you to continue selecting rams that align with your breeding objectives—helping drive your flock forward in the years ahead.

For those not satisfied with their current bloodline, there is no better time than **now** to make the switch to Lachlan Genetics. Our rams are proven to increase productivity and profitability.

Come and inspect our flock to see why **Lachlan Merinos** are renowned for delivering both quality and quantity in wool production, along with early growth and strong carcass traits. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any inquiries.

2024 / Ram Sale Summary



Lachlan Merinos' 19th Annual Ram Sale achieved **100% clearance** of 160 rams, with a top price of **\$21,000** and an average of **\$3,780**.

Top Price Ram:

Donald and Will Grant, 'Bundabarrina,' Collarenebri, secured the top price ram, **Lachlan 230012**. The 2023 autumn drop ram was a PP ram, with 18.0 MIC, 2.3 SD, 12.7 CV and 99.9 CF. The ram also had ASBVs in the top 1% for ACFW at +39.4! He also placed in the top 5% for YCFW at +39.1 and Wool Production at 200.2, as well as the top 20% for yearling fibre diameter at -1.9!

"He is a real impact sire with magnificent white wool, long staple and beautiful lock, as well as having an incredible frame and muscle with a beautiful head to match. I love his presence, structure and wool cutting ability," Mr Grant said.

Mark, Carol and Brad Jones, Condobolin, secured 25 rams to a top of \$7,000, twice, to average \$4,400. The Jones family, who have used Lachlan genetics for 20 years, selected their rams on nourishment, structure, and bright, white wool with 18-20 micron. Recently, the Jones family entered Lachlan blood wethers in the 2023-2025 Australian Merino Production Trial. It consisted of 50 teams of 30 randomly selected wethers, representing 35 different bloodlines. In the feedlot component of the trial, the Jones' wethers recorded the heaviest carcass average of 35.6kg, and in the pasture/

grazing crop system, for the first shearing, they also obtained the highest sheep value of \$180.09 per head, \$20.89 above the average.

Mitch Rubie said the top ram had been a standout since he was lamb. "He comes from our top embryo transfer ewe, who continues to breed good sheep," Mr Rubie said. "His full sister was embryo transferred as an 11-month-old ewe, giving eight embryos, and their lambs are dropping now. She's also rearing a lamb at 17-months old. We put this ram up because we know we've got his sister, and we've also collected semen to use within the stud. He had a massive fleece weight, but on a plain body, and is still very heavy cutting with great lock. He also has an adult clean fleece weight higher than his yearling clean fleece weight, which backs up what we're trying to do here at Lachlan, breeding long and deep bodied rams with a carcass that have those top fleece weights, with terrific quality.

Nutrien conducted the sale with John Settree as auctioneer.

Lachlan Merinos 2024 Sale Summary

\$1500-\$2000	50
\$2500-\$3000	24
\$3500-\$4000	37
\$4500-\$5000	25
\$5500-\$6000	12
\$6000+	12



DISPLAYING AT:

- Bendigo Sheep Show: 18th - 20th July
- Dubbo Nationals: 12th - 13th August
- South West Slopes Field Day: 2nd September
- On Property Ram Inspection: 6th September

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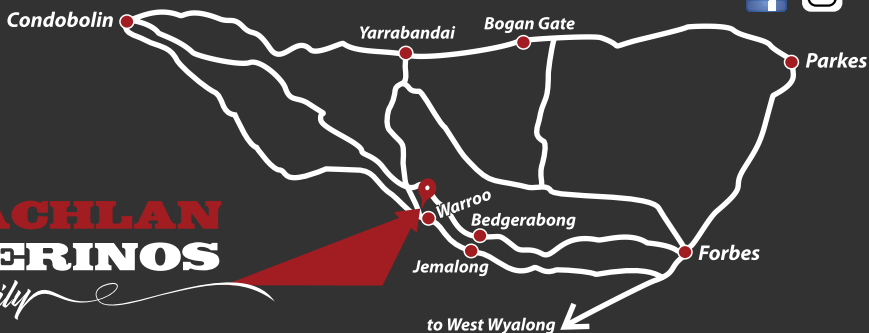
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