



Industry Leading Whiteface Genetics



Annual On-Property Sale
Friday 7th October 2022, 11.00am

160 White Suffolks & 80 Maternal Composites

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Never too Old to Learn

Earlier in 2022 I attended the excellent MLA genetic forum in Adelaide. I encourage more producers to make the effort to get there in the future. One of the more interesting presentations was given by Will Barton from Gundagai Meat Processors. GMP have introduced IMF% and yield payment parameters into their grid alongside the traditional HSCW measurement. While at this stage we are not seeing these grids in the South we believe we are well positioned for the future. Our two main White Suffolk Sires of our 2022 offering, Days 190114 and Felix 191175 are both top 5% for IMF.

I also attended a sheep genetics update for ram breeders in May where they outlined amongst other things their new indexes. Lambing ease has been added to the LEQ index, with Days 190114 and Felix 191175 both being in the top 5% for lambing ease, coupled with their growth, muscle, worm resistance and IMF they both consequently index comfortably in the top 1% of the breed.

The Maternal analysis has seen number of lambs weaned (NLW) replaced by weaning rate (WR). It is made up of component traits, conception, litter size and ewe rearing ability. These changes have meant little change for the Days Whiteface Maternal flock with our flock average for weaning rate still well above the national average.

Our genetic trends show we are increasing our post weaning wt. trend line while decreasing our adult weight in relation to the rest of the maternal analysis. We believe fast early growth and a moderate sized ewe are important profit drivers of a prime lamb enterprise.

Once again, we have a group of rams by the impressive CH170188 who is in the top 1% for WR, top 5% for eye muscle and has an extraordinarily high maternal carcase production plus index. Also, for above average growth he has a low mature weight as earlier mentioned which is important in maintaining a moderate sized ewe flock.

The most represented sire in the offering is homebred sire 20M036. He has a really well balanced set of ASBV's including a top 5% weaning rate which sees him sit in the top 1% on the maternal carcase production plus index.

Please contact us on 0428 521 640 or by email lday@dayswhiteface.com.au if you have any questions about our breeding programme.

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2021 Drop Maternal Composite Ram Lambs

Give Lachy a call on 0428 521 630

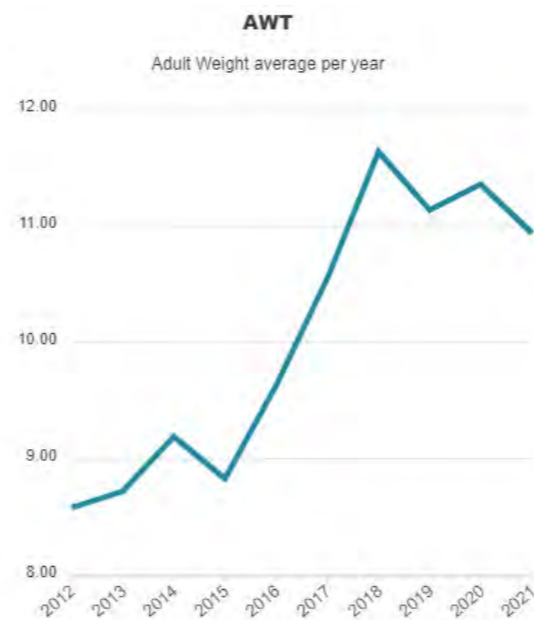
Why Choose Days Maternal Composites?



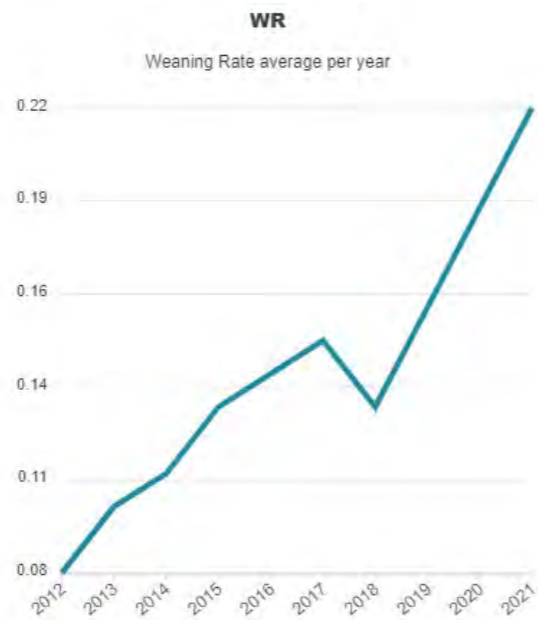
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While we have always put plenty of emphasis on fertility, fat and muscle in recent years we have been able to bend the growth curve. By this I mean we have been able to increase our post weaning weights while moderating our mature ewe weight. The ability to have lots of fast growing lambs (high fertility) from a moderate sized ewe flock is imperative to a profitable prime lamb enterprise.

INCREASING POST WEANING WT WHILE REDUCING ADULT WT



THE WEANING RATE (WR) ASBV REPLACES THE OLD NUMBER OF LAMBS WEANED (NLW) ASBV



White Suffolks



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GROWTH

One of a terminal sire's largest contributions to the profit of a prime lamb enterprise is the ability to turn lambs off early

INTRAMUSCULAR FAT

Looking to the future. Only Gundagai are paying for this at this point in time but down the track it could under-pin many brands

EYE MUSCLE DEPTH

This gives both the visual shape buyers are looking for as well as contributing to yield in the boning room

Continued investment in genetics



Waratah 200556 purchased for a new Australian record price of \$8,000 at the Waratah ewe dispersal in April 2022

