

## BELLEVUE'S 14<sup>TH</sup> ON PROPERTY DORPER & WHITE DORPER RAM SALE

Date: Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Time: 1pm (Qld), with inspections from 10am (or welcome by prior arrangement)

**Location:** Google Maps: **Bellevue Grazing Company** will get you here

Bellevue

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Web: www.bellevuedorpers.com.au

**Instagram:** bellevuedorpers

Facebook: Bellevue Dorpers

**Agent & Outside** Landmark Toowoomba is the agent.

**Agents:** A 3% rebate is offered to outside agents, introducing a client in writing to Landmark

Toowoomba (07 4637 3000) 24 hours before the sale and who attend the sale with, or buy

on behalf of, their clients and settle within 7 days.

Animal Health: Brucellosis: Bellevue is Ovine Brucellosis accredited. QGMM0549 expires 31/10/2021

Accommodation: Pre-booking advised. Toowoomba (1 hr drive), Pittsworth (30 min drive), Goondiwindi

(1.45 hr drive), Warwick (1.15 hr drive), Dalby (1.10 hr drive), Millmerran (15 min drive)

Bellevue's 14<sup>th</sup> on property Dorper & White Dorper Ram Sale will be held on **SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> September 2019**, at Bellevue, Millmerran, Qld.

Auction commences at 1pm (Qld), with inspections from 10am on sale day, or by prior arrangement.

We are proud to present 150 of Bellevue's lead selection of **2018** born Dorper & White Dorper rams. Many will be just 12 months of age. All are quality, performance recorded, with LAMBPLAN ASBV's.

Details, including the catalogue and ram videos will be available closer to sale date at https://auctionsplus.com.au/auctionV2/New/#/presale/12158

Register for email updates by clicking the link at www.bellevuedorpers.com.au

We will once again present the 'Bellevue Ram Evaluation Guide' to assist buyers with purchasing. This guide, along with LAMBPLAN ASBV's, includes visual scores on each ram, including structure, balance, feet, colour, cover, head, horns and live weight. This information gives the Bellevue ram buyer, prior to, and on the day of our sale, relevant information to make valuable selection decisions based on the buyers particular breeding objectives and environment. Backing this up, each lot is videoed and presented through AUCTIONSPLUS to buyers who cannot attend our sale in person, giving them the opportunity to purchase with confidence.

The emphasis we place at Bellevue on selecting for structural soundness and balance, breeding history, combined with our objective use of LAMBPLAN data, has created a solid platform for genetic gain in our rams with each new generation.

Carcass competition success with our commercial prime lamb enterprise reinforces that Bellevue's strict selection criteria is delivering rams that are producing quality, high yielding, early maturing, prime lambs. 2018 saw Bellevue Dorper commercial prime lambs win the Champion Pen of Carcass Lambs and the Reserve Champion Pen of Carcass Lambs at the Warwick Show and Rodeo Assn annual Prime Lamb Competition. This backed up our 2017 success, where Bellevue received Champion Single Carcass Lamb, and 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 42-46kg live weight category, with dressing percentages of 55.7, 53.6 and 56.4.

Prime lamb prices are at record highs, and the industry is strong, with the benefit of a solid demand from many domestic and international markets going forward. The time has never been brighter to produce quality lamb. We understand the challenging and on-going weather conditions, and hope that we can all celebrate a good break in the season soon that will allow us all to participate in the production opportunities going forward. When this drought breaks, one thing is for certain, quality rams will be required in the paddock, ready to work.

Dorpers have proven their place in the Australian lamb industry. They have proven their place here at Bellevue. We're in the worst drought on record, we haven't harvested a winter or summer crop for the past two+ seasons, yet the Dorpers keep getting pregnant, lambing, raising lambs and giving us the ability to send a finished 44kg live weight animal out the gate, at an early age, without eating us out of house and home. We can't speak highly enough of our Dorpers and their productivity, especially during this dry.

If you purchase at our sale and would like us to hold your rams because of the dry, please don't hesitate to talk to us. We are more than happy to assist.

To all Dorper and prime lamb breeders, we wish you every success with your endeavours. We invite you to attend our sale, whether you are, or are not in the market for rams. Feel welcome to come along, have a day out and catch up with fellow prime lamb producers, check out our rams and taste test our Bellevue Dorper lamb chops for lunch.

MLA have recently released some interesting producer information on the benefits of using ASBV's, visit:

https://genetics.mla.com.au/prime-lambs/

and

https://www.mla.com.au/news-and-events/industry-news/not-convinced-about-breeding-values-producers-respond/?utm\_campaign=52915\_FFBK%20-

%2026%20July%202019&utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=Meat%20%26%20Livestock%20Australia&dm\_i=4PKB,1 4TV,92VQV,35FR,1

To see Sophie's Bellevue Dorper photos, visit:

Facebook: Bellevue Dorpers Instagram: bellevuedorpers

With our very best wishes

David & Robbie Curtis & Sophie Madge (Curtis)