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HISTORY & BLOODLINES

Waradgery Coopworth Stud was founded in 2005 with the purchase of 90 ewes from the Cleverlie Coopworth Stud Dispersal.

An additional 250 ewes have been purchased from John Marriott's Clifton Hill Stud in subsequent years.

Since that time we have adopted an extensive AI programme annually using the best available genetics from NZ & Australia. The best progeny from this program are used as Stud Sires.

OUR COOPWORTHS

Waradgery is one of only a few studs which maintains a focus on breeding a true to type Coopworth. We do not breed composites. If another breed is used then the progeny are back-crossed to introduce the desired traits.

This maximises hybrid vigour when Terminal Rams are used over our Coopworth ewes. Hybrid vigour is important to us & our clients

We breed a sheep which shows thickness and depth in body whilst maintaining the maternal features emphasising fertility and growth. Our Coopworths have an excellent temperament. This is important when handling the sheep in the yards and at shearing and is reflected in their mothering ability at lambing.

LOCATION

'Waradgery' is located on the Brim Brim Plateau at Brit Brit in the Western District of Victoria. At 300m elevation we enjoy a 700ml average rainfall. The timing of the Autumn break can be variable but we can usually rely on a good spring.

PRODUCTION SYSTEM

Our business consists of 5000 commercial ewes run over 2 properties comprising approx. 1000ha. The 2&3 year old ewes are joined to Coopworth rams for a July/August lamb, whilst the older ewes are joined to a Terminal ram to produce a June/July born sucker.

The Maternal wether and later Terminal lambs are either finished in an on farm feed system or sold as light kill or stores. This flexibility has enabled us to take opportunities as various seasons & markets provide.

We achieve weaning rates of 130% in the earlier Terminal mated ewes and up to 145% in the later Coopworth ewes. Having large numbers of lambs is central to our production system and is the key profit driver.

The Coopworth Stud is maintained at 300 ewes. Up to 50% of the ewes are classed out of the Stud into the Commercial Flock annually. This maintains a high level of selection pressure driving genetic gain. Our size enables us to know our sheep well enough to validate selection. We can identify with generations of well performing sheep.

OBJECTIVE MEASUREMENT

As Coopworth breeders we have been performance recording with Lambplan since the establishment of the Stud. Each sale ram has 21 data entries including 12 observed traits. The Stud has a strong genetic linkage across the Maternal breeds and offers rams in the Top Percentile Bands each year.

RAM SALES

Since 2009 Waradgery has been a vendor in the National Coopworth Selected Ram Sale. We have topped this sale on a number of occasions and always achieved a good price average & total clearance rates.

In the future all the top rams will be sold at the On Property Sale. This will enable buyers to select their rams from the best available draft of sale rams.

Further rams will be available for Private Selection following the Sale.

FLOCK HEALTH

The Waradgery flock is footrot & lice free.

Ovine Brucellosis accred. No. 3618

OJD Vacc since 2004. 2nd Gen since 2009.

THE MATERNAL SELECTION INDEX

The management of Lambplan have constructed an economically based selection index for the Maternal sheep. In the past, much of the selection of sheep has been distorted because of the over-emphasis of some traits to the relative exclusion of others. This applied, particularly, to fertility, as it is a trait you cannot "see".

As sheep are multi-purpose, multi-trait animals, it can be difficult to place the correct selection emphasis on the traits of maximum economic importance. A selection index ranks traits according to their relative economic importance, arriving at a single figure which is very convenient for both the ram breeder and the ram buyer. Individuals are still quite free to select their rams with a slightly greater emphasis on certain traits, but for maximum economic return, the use of the Maternal Selection Index will result in the greatest total economic return.

THE MATERNAL \$ INDEX

Birth Weight	11%
Wearing Weight	23%
Post-Wearing Weight	25%
Fat Depth	4%
Eye Muscle Depth	5%
Milk (Maternal Wearing Weight)	5%
Greasy Fleece Weight	3%
Worm Egg Count	8%
Number of Lambs Weaned	16%

The construction of this index takes into account the rams genetic influence on the lifetime performance of his daughters (50% genetic influence), plus the 25% influence on the grand-daughters, 12.5% influence on the great grand-daughters, etc., plus the extra value of the wether sons and the value of approximately 33% of the daughters that are not used for breeding within the ram buyers own flock.

New Zealand based sires require a number of lambings and rearings by the Australian based daughters to develop a meaningful breeding value for milk (maternal weaning weight).

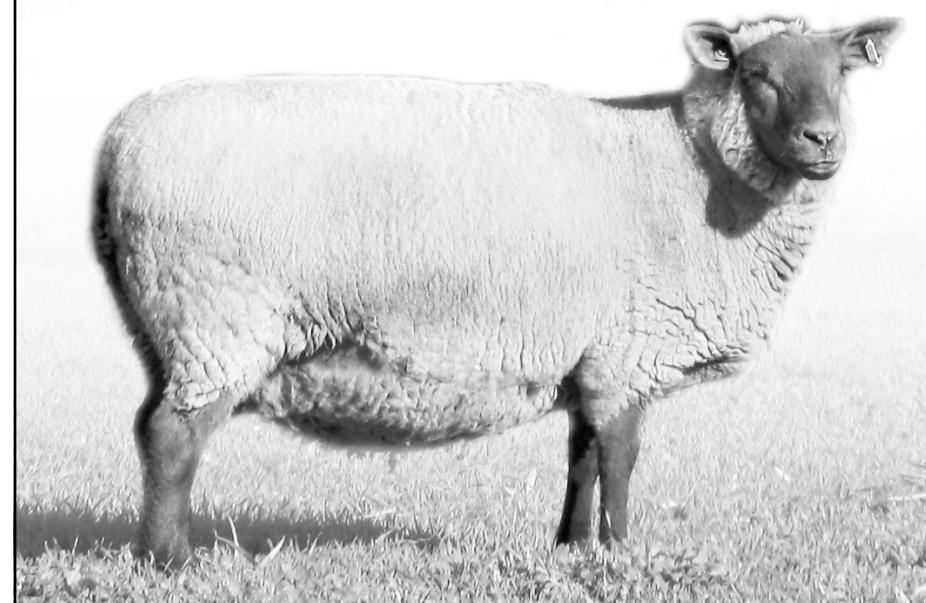
WARADGERY South Suffolk Stud

In May 2016 we were excited to purchase a significant portion of the *Willow Drive South Suffolk Stud* at their Flock Reduction Sale. We have subsequently purchased 2 Stud Rams along with a quantity of semen from various sires.

We believe that this breed will complement our Coopworth operation. We are attracted to the early maturing well shaped lambs with a high yielding carcass.

South Suffolk Rams are ideal for Ewe Lamb & Maiden Ewe joining for ease of lambing. Their markings & a tight fine skin enables a clear break for 3rd cycle joining of Maternal Ewes. This avoids late maternal lambs.

A Selection of Top South Suffolk Rams will be offered at the On Property Sale.



SOUTH SUFFOLKS

Lot 81	Tag 2070	DOB 15/07/20	Single	Sire Waradgery 18003
BWT	BWT (kg)	WWT (kg)	PWT (kg)	Sale Wt (kg)
Date	15/7/2020	3/12/2020	15/2/2021	14/9/2021
	5.0	45.5	52.0	74.0

Purchaser \$

Lot 82	Tag 2044	DOB 28/06/20	Single	Sire Waradgery 18003
BWT	BWT (kg)	WWT (kg)	PWT (kg)	Sale Wt (kg)
Date	28/06/2020	3/12/2020	15/2/2021	14/09/2021
	5.0	56.0	62.0	70.5

Purchaser \$

Lot 83	Tag 2057	DOB 29/06/20	Twin	Sire Waradgery 16035
BWT	BWT (kg)	WWT (kg)	PWT (kg)	Sale Wt (kg)
Date	29/06/2020	3/12/2020	15/2/2021	14/9/2021
	5.0	57.0	56.5	70.0

Purchaser \$

Lot 84	Tag 2051	DOB 29/06/20	Twin	Sire Waradgery 18003
BWT	BWT (kg)	WWT (kg)	PWT (kg)	Sale Wt (kg)
Date	29/6/2020	3/12/2020	15/2/2021	14/09/2021

Purchaser \$

Lot 85	Tag 2015	DOB 25/06/20	Twin	Sire Waradgery 18003
BWT	BWT (kg)	WWT (kg)	PWT (kg)	Sale Wt (kg)
Date	25/6/2020	3/12/2020	15/2/2021	14/9/2021

Purchaser \$

SOUTH SUFFOLKS

Lot 86	Tag 2042	DOB 28/06/21	Twin	Sire Waradgery 18003
BWT	BWT (kg)	WWT (kg)	PWT (kg)	Sale Wt (kg)
Date	28/6/2020	3/12/2020	15/2/2021	14/9/2021

Purchaser \$

Lot 87	Tag 2039	DOB 27/06/20	Twin	Sire Waradgery 18003
BWT	BWT (kg)	WWT (kg)	PWT (kg)	Sale Wt (kg)
Date	27/6/2020	3/12/2020	15/2/2021	19/9/2021

Purchaser \$

Lot 88	Tag 2001	DOB 21/06/20	Twin	Sire Waradgery 16035
BWT	BWT (kg)	WWT (kg)	PWT (kg)	Sale Wt (kg)
Date	21/6/2020	3/12/2020	15/2/2021	14/9/2021

Purchaser \$

Lot 89	Tag 2079	DOB 17/07/20	Single	Sire Waradgery 16035
BWT	BWT (kg)	WWT (kg)	PWT (kg)	Sale Wt (kg)
Date	17/7/2020	3/12/2020	15/2/2021	14/9/2021

Purchaser \$

Lot 90	Tag 2008	DOB 23/07/20	Twin	Sire Waradgery 160035
BWT	BWT (kg)	WWT (kg)	PWT (kg)	Sale Wt (kg)
Date	23/7/2020	3/12/2020	15/2/2021	14/9/2021

Purchaser \$

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BUYER'S INSTRUCTION SLIP

Buyer No.

Name.....

Address.....

PC.....

Email

Flock Name & No.
Stud Transfer Req'd Yes / No

Phone

LOT	TAG No.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE

Account to.....

Delivery Instructions.....

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Insure for.....

Signed.....

NO VERBAL INSTRUCTIONS CAN BE ACCEPTED



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Directions:



65km from Hamilton & 25km from Coleraine



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