

## **WELCOME TO WINGAMIN**

The stud has been an integral part of our family life and our farming enterprise for 33 years but the timing is now right to downsize as Caitlin begins a new chapter in her life and we try to keep abreast of the challenges of getting older!

It's our intention to offer our very best, fully classed young "keeper" ewes by auction this year and again in 2022 as we feel these future breeders will contribute the most to the industry moving forward.

A small nucleus of mature ewes will be retained for Caitlin's future at this stage while we look forward to retirement in the next couple of years.

## STUD HISTORY

Wingamin White Suffolk Stud was established in 1988 by Clive and Deb Shillabeer (registered flock 50). The stud's foundation sheep were purchased from top Suffolk, Poll Dorset and White Suffolk studs including the well renowned Elouera stud dispersal. Four Suffolk rams (1 Burwood and 3 Allendale rams) were used over an eleven year period (as documented in the breed's flock register book) to reinforce a strong and sound Suffolk base resulting in approximately half the flock being coloured during those years.

In 1993 we commenced showing to promote the breed and our increasing number of ideal white sheep. Successful from the start our show record reflects the depth of quality and soundness in our breeding flock. Our numerous championships and Interbreed wins at major shows over the past 28 years is testament to our dedication towards breed excellence and attention to detail.

One surreal year for us was in 2012 when we finished an amazing show circuit by taking out all three interbreed titles – Supreme Prime Lamb and Maternal Breeds Ram, Supreme Prime Lamb and Maternal Breeds Ewe and Supreme All Breeds Group at the Royal Adelaide Show. We capped off this unrivalled show run with the sale of our leading stud ram Wingamin 112462 "Trifecta" to Gary Heilig, Montana, USA, for \$35,000.

We have been Lambplan performance recording for over 25 years and utilising industry leading sires to stay current and progressive. With performance and more recently eating quality at the forefront we have worked hard to maintain sound breeding decisions that have given us rapid genetic gain without compromising economically important visual traits such as structural soundness, carcase composition, good skins and dense downs wool.

One current, solid performer that ticks all of the above boxes is Warburn 160048. Sired by Somerset 130153 out of a Wingamin 112462 "Trifecta" daughter we were fortunate to purchase this ram in 2017. Used in a number of studs, sons have sold for \$32,000, \$24,000, \$19,000 & \$13,500 and a daughter bred by Detpa Grove currently holds the national record price for a ewe at \$6,500. Warburn 160048 daughters and grand-daughters feature prominently in our sale and we are sure you will appreciate the quality.