# MOUNT RONAN

## WHITE SUFFOLKS & MATERNALS

Specialising in the breeding of elite quality prime rams



7<sup>th</sup> SUMMER RAM SALE **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022 On Auctions Plus ONLY Commencing at 1.00pm WST** 





# 50MATERNAL RAMS5030WHITE SUFFOLK RAMS30

SPECIALLY SELECTED FLOCK RAMS

ACCREDITED BRUCELLOSIS FREE FLOCK No. OV/AC/044



2021 drop Mount Ronan Summer Sale rams ..... ....world class profit genetics in an athletic package.

## "The profitability of our producers' prime lamb enterprises is the key to the future of Mount Ronan."

## WELCOME TO MOUNT RONAN.....



We have been suffering a very hot summer here in WA, which has been pretty tough on livestock, and humans alike. Hopefully our border will be open for travel as usual (pre-COVID) shortly. Keep safe and well.

Joanne and I wish our Eastern States producers the best, and will look forward to hopefully being able to visit them this autumn – ...... don't hold your breaths. Alternatively, we will endeavour to meet you all in a personal skype session.

We also hope that all visitors and intending purchasers, who log onto our sale on Auctions Plus, have an enjoyable experience.

I started this breeding program 53 years ago. I am now more convinced than ever that the search for outstanding high-production females has yielded wonderful commercial performance in the Mount Ronan sheep genotype. We are convinced that these rams will uphold the Mount Ronan tradition of resilience, robustness, and outstanding prime lamb production performance.

# For more than half a century, we have been actively searching for tough sheep which produce wonderful results over a long lifetime. We expect these rams to enjoy a long and productive working life.

These youngsters were weaned onto dry pasture in mid-October and have received a daily trail feed of pellets up until sale time. They were LAMBPLAN scanned on the 4<sup>th</sup> January.

As usual, all the rams have been vaccinated with Guidair, Glanvac B12 3 in 1, and Scabiguard. They are guaranteed to be free of lice and the flock is accredited free of brucellosis.

Joanne and I hope that you successfully purchase your ram preferences, and we will follow up with the after-sales service, as usual. Good luck.



## Signing up with AuctionsPlus - www.auctionsplus.com.au

## Please register 24 to 48 hours before the start of the sale.

1. Go to the home page and click 'sign up'



- 2. Fill out the required information to create an account. A confirmation email will be sent to your email inbox, which will need to be actioned.
- 3. Once you have created an account and confirmed your email, you then need to upgrade to a buyer on the system
  - a. Once logged in go to your dashboard
  - b. From your dashboard click on the green button "request approval to buy"
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- 4. Once your buyer training has been completed, the AuctionsPlus office will be notified and will approve your request.
- 5. An email will be sent to you once it has all been approved.

## AuctionsPlus Sequential Online Only Sale – How to guide:

## www.auctionsplus.com.au

**First and foremost in order to bid in any AuctionsPlus livestock sale buyers need to be registered with A+ as a buyer.** Follow the steps in the "sign up doc"

The sale will run so that one lot at a time is offered/available for bidding.

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Every time a bid is placed on the lot, a 30 second timer will start again keeping the lot open.

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## **Insurance Disclaimer**

Stud Animals are not covered by commercial livestock insurance.

Insurance risk of stud animals sold at auction transfers to the purchaser at the fall of the hammer, including animals remaining on the vendor's property.

Purchasers therefore are advised to insure their animals at the completion of the sale.



## Please note:

Mount Ronan stipulates that all rams which are to be registered and transferred into stud flocks will require a total payment of \$3000 (excluding GST).

If rams are purchased at the auction for less than \$3000 and the buyer wishes to have the rams transferred and registered for stud use, then the purchaser will be required to make up the difference between the purchased price and \$3000 (plus GST) before the transfer and registration can take place.

## Semen marketing rights & collection:

Mount Ronan reserves the right to collect semen for our own use from any rams offered in the catalogue. Collection will be at Mount Ronan's expense and at the convenience of the purchaser.

Mount Ronan retains exclusive semen marketing rights for all rams offered in the catalogue.

## The accuracies of the ASBVs are extremely high because Mount Ronan has measured so many sheep on LAMBPLAN .....and

# It is the wonderful balance between growth and muscling, and the outstanding resilience of the Mount Ronan sheep genotype which sets them apart from the rest.

	BWT	WWT	PWWT	PFAT	PEMD	ТСР	LEQ
Mount Ronan	0.34	9.85	15.45	-0.20	2.47	149.0	149.0
average							
White Suffolk	0.32	10.01	15.79	-0.30	2.06	144.6	140.3
average							



Group of sale rams before shearing, January 2022.



Ewe lambs with lambs, August 2020.

## <u>MOUNT RONAN GENETICS......</u> .....DRIVING PROFIT!!!!

"We like the Mount Ronan sheep. They are everything we are chasing. The thing I like the most is their carcase type. Despite the fact that a lot of work has been put into their maternal characteristics they still have very good carcase attributes.

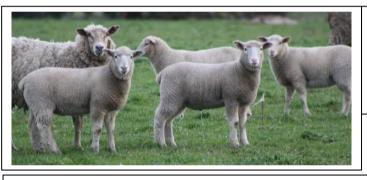
The ewes produce very uniform lines of lambs with very well-muscled carcases which yield really well. Their fat scores just seem to drop into the grid wherever you put them.

We turn off top end supermarket lambs and they are in the 2-3 scores. We take them out to heavy export weights around 32 kilos and they are mostly 3-4 scores.

After more than 50 years of selection for resilience at Mount Ronan the ewes have the ability to "do" in tough conditions and keep bouncing back. That strong constitution is what you get in the Mount Ronan sheep. Our mature ewes scanned 191 percent across the flock this year after

3 years of drought. They are wonderful, functional mothers and lamb survival is outstanding."

## Andrew Hunter, Hills Park, Yerong Creek, NSW.



Andrew Hunter and son Royce, with champion sheep dog, Bruiser.

"Mount Ronan White Suffolks and Maternals are wonderful sheep. If you are looking for "bang for buck" and wanting maximum kilograms of lamb per hectare, then don't bother looking anywhere else."

Justy Fleay, Redgum Hills, Kojonup, WA.

"I think a massive advantage of these Maternals is their mothering ability. I see them physically counting their lambs, they are great milkers and they stamp their hooves at the dogs. The lambs have wonderful doing ability and are quicker maturing.

One of the main advantages is when I sell export lambs they are not bubbling with fat.

*They make your mouth water just looking at them. They are very heavy but their leanness is very good."* 

## Owen Blake, Tandari Pastoral, Harefield, NSW.



Cameron Male, with his son Andrew.

"We found it hard to buy first cross ewes we liked without paying too much for them, so that's why we switched over to the Maternals.

We went to Mount Ronan in WA because of their reputation. The rams are easy doing and have longevity and produce unbelievable mothers. They are just so protective of their newborns.

The lambs are very easy doing and their growth rates are phenomenal.

We buy the rams online through Auctions Plus. We know what we are getting using ASBVs and we haven't been disappointed yet.

It's a really simple process and no drama at all getting them trucked over here."

Cameron Male, Dalrye, Yerong Creek, NSW.



## ASBV PERCENTILES

Use the following percentile band tables to work out where an individual ram sits relative to the 2021 drop cohort for all sheep measured in Australia in that dataset across a range of traits.

Percentile band table data is adapted from the Sheep Genetics website. Analysis date 15 January 2022.

\* Preferred index

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## Maternal percentile band table

	BWT	WWT	PWWT	AWT	PFAT	PEMD	NLW	PFEC	YGFW	YFD	MCP+
Top 1%	-0.16	11.8	18.0	20.3	1.2	3.3	24%	-81	30.8	-4.4	168.6
Top 5%	0.08	10.7	16.0	17.9	0.5	2.6	20%	-66	25.6	-3.3	159.7
Top 10%	0.17	10.1	15.1	16.7	0.3	2.2	17%	-58	22.7	-2.6	153.8
Top 20%	0.27	9.3	13.8	15.4	-0.1	1.7	14%	-48	18.6	-1.1	145.9
Top 30%	0.35	8.7	12.9	14.4	-0.3	1.3	11%	-41	14.7	-0.3	140.7
Top 40%	0.41	8.2	12.1	13.6	-0.5	1.0	9%	-35	10.9	0.1	136.4
Top 50%	0.47	7.7	11.3	12.7	-0.6	0.7	8%	-28	7.9	0.4	132.5

## Terminal percentile band table

	BWT	WWT	PWWT	PFAT	PEMD	NLW	PFEC	IMF	SHRF5	ТСР	LEQ
Top 1%	-0.54	12.3	19.2	1.0	4.1	14%	-63	0.40	-2.9	158.7	156.9
Top 5%	-0.38	11.5	17.8	0.5	3.4	11%	-53	0.02	-1.1	153.1	149.7
Top 10%	-0.10	11.0	17.1	0.3	3.0	9%	-46	-0.10	-0.3	149.7	145.5
Top 20%	0.15	10.4	16.2	0.0	2.5	8%	-38	-0.24	0.6	145.5	140.2
Top 30%	0.23	10.0	15.4	-0.2	2.2	7%	-32	-0.33	1.3	142.4	136.3
Top 40%	0.29	9.6	14.7	-0.3	1.9	6%	-26	-0.41	1.9	139.6	133.2
Top 50%	0.34	9.1	14.0	-0.5	1.7	5%	-21	-0.48	2.5	137.1	130.4

ASBVs are highlighted throughout the catalogue for your convenience.

- BWT = Birth weight
- WWT = Weaning weight
- PWWT = Post weaning weight
- AWT = Adult weight PFAT = Post weaning fat
- PEMD = Post weaning eye muscle depth
- NLW = Number of lambs weaned %
- PFEC = Post weaning faecal egg count
- YGFW = Yearling greasy fleece weight
- YFD = Yearling fibre diameter
- IMF = Intramuscular fat
- SHRF5 = Shear force after 5 days of ageing (tenderness)
- MCP+ = Maternal carcase production plus index
- TCP = Terminal carcase production index
- = Lamb eating quality index LEQ

For more detailed information about ASBVs, go to the following website: https://www.sheepgenetics.org.au/getting-started/asbvs-and-indexes/

## LAMBPLAN'S TRAIT LEADERS

Many of our White Suffolk and Maternal sale rams are trait leaders. In other words, they are in the top 10% of the LAMBPLAN database for growth, leanness, muscling, or a combination of these traits. They are in the top 10% of all the rams of all terminal and commercial maternal breeds measured in the LAMBPLAN program in 2021 in Australia and New Zealand.

## Trait leaders are noted in the comments for each ram and boxes are shaded to make them more visible.



## **MATERNAL SIRE REFERENCE**

(With ASBVs as at 22/01/2022)

<u>PLEASE REMEMBER</u>: Don't compare Maternal ASBV's with Terminal ASBV's because they are different data sets. Comparisons will be misleading due to the use of different breed runs on LAMBPLAN.

## MOUNT RONAN 160047

BWT	WWT	AWT	PFAT	PEMD	NLW%	MCP+
0.4	6.9	13.97	0.5	3.0	8	136.5

A Maternal son of MOUNT RONAN 150334. Good growth and muscling combination.

## MOUNT RONAN 180012

BWT	WWT	AWT	PFAT	PEMD	NLW%	MCP+
0.8	10.3	15.46	-0.5	1.7	12	146.3

A Maternal artificial insemination son of the maternal ram GATES 140069. Strong growth, muscling and higher daughter fertility.

## MOUNT RONAN 180060

BWT	WWT	AWT	PFAT	PEMD	NLW%	MCP+
0.7	10.4	16.69	-0.2	2.1	0	135.1

A Maternal artificial insemination son of the maternal ram GATES 140069. Outstanding growth and muscling and higher worm resistance genetics.

## **MATERNAL SIRE REFERENCE**

(With ASBVs as at 22/01/2022)

#### MOUNT RONAN 180063

BWT	WWT	AWT	PFAT	PEMD	NLW%	MCP+
0.1	7.0	14.39	0.2	3.0	15	148.6

A Maternal artificial insemination son of the Merino ram TRIGGER VALE 130981. Good growth and outstanding muscling genetics. Lower birthweight genetics.

### MOUNT RONAN 190071

BWT	WWT	AWT	PFAT	PEMD	NLW%	MCP+
0.5	7.3	12.30	0.8	2.7	6	141.9

A Maternal son of Maternal ram MOUNT RONAN 160047. Good growth and strong muscling.

#### MOUNT RONAN 190260

BWT	WWT	AWT	PFAT	PEMD	NLW%	MCP+
0.4	7.8	14.31	-0.3	1.7	8	132.6

A Maternal son of Maternal ram MOUNT RONAN 180012. Lower birthweight genetics coupled with strong muscling.

#### MOUNT RONAN 190262

BWT	WWT	AWT	PFAT	PEMD	NLW%	MCP+
0.5	7.5	11.93	0.1	1.8	15	143.4

A Maternal son of Maternal ram MOUNT RONAN 150214. Positive production ASBVs and higher daughter fertility. High worm resistance.

#### MOUNT RONAN 190617

BWT	WWT	AWT	PFAT	PEMD	NLW%	MCP+
0.5	9.3	14.63	-0.8	1.0	1	126.3

A Maternal son of Maternal ram MOUNT RONAN 160599. Stronger growth genetics.

## MOUNT RONAN 200162

BWT	WWT	AWT	PFAT	PEMD	NLW%	MCP+
0.5	8.3	15.61	-0.7	1.3	3	131.4

An artificial insemination son of Merino ram TRIGGER VALE 180576, out of a selected Mount Ronan Maternal ewe. Used as a ram lamb for the 2021 mating. Good growth and muscling.

## MATERNAL SIRE REFERENCE (With ASBVs as at 22/01/2022)

## **MOUNT RONAN 200290**

BWT	WWT	AWT	PFAT	PEMD	NLW%	MCP+
0.5	9.3	16.74	-0.3	1.8	6	136.7

A Maternal son of Maternal sire MOUNT RONAN 180060. Used as a ram lamb for the 2021 mating. Good growth and muscling.

## MOUNT RONAN 200301

BWT	WWT	AWT	PFAT	PEMD	NLW%	MCP+	
0.5	9.7	16.75	0.2	2.8	5	142.8	

A Maternal son of Maternal sire MOUNT RONAN 190617. Used as a ram lamb for the 2021 mating. Strong growth and good muscling.

#### MOUNT RONAN 200427

BWT	WWT	AWT	PFAT	PEMD	NLW%	MCP+
0.7	9.9	16.81	-0.4	2.6	-6	139.9

A White Suffolk son of White Suffolk sire MOUNT RONAN 190019. Used as a ram lamb for the 2021 mating on selected Maternal and White Suffolk ewes. Strong growth, muscling and worm resistance.

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### Shaded ASBV boxes indicate trait leaders - top 20% or better for that trait.

Mount Ronan Maternal ewe, with a 50% Merino blood lamb, August 2020.





## WHITE SUFFOLK TERMINAL SIRE REFERENCES

(With ASBVs as at 22/01/2022)

#### **MOUNT RONAN 190001**

BWT	WWT	PFAT	PEMD	IMF	SHRF5	NLW%	ТСР	LEQ
0.51	10.8	0.0	2.9	0.14	-1.02	8	151.5	154.9

An artificial insemination son of White Suffolk sire ELLA MATTA 150097. Strong growth and muscling combination. Wonderful eating quality genetics.

#### **MOUNT RONAN 190060**

BWT	WWT	PFAT	PEMD	IMF	SHRF5	NLW%	ТСР	LEQ
0.26	9.3	-0.9	2.3	0.07	-1.19	6	152.6	157.6

A White Suffolk artificial insemination son of exceptional White Suffolk sire WOOLUMBOOL 173980. Lower birthweight genetics, with good growth and muscling. High worm resistance. Wonderful eating quality genetics.

#### **MOUNT RONAN 200006**

BWT	WWT	PFAT	PEMD	IMF	SHRF5	NLW%	ТСР	LEQ
0.21	10.4	0.4	2.3	-0.12	-1.29	16	151.6	151.4

A White Suffolk artificial insemination son of White Suffolk sire FELIX 151229. Used as a ram lamb for the 2021 mating. Excellent growth and muscling combination. Lower birthweight genetics and outstanding daughter fertility. Excellent eating quality genetics.

#### MOUNT RONAN 200074

Γ	BWT	WWT	PFAT	PEMD	IMF	SHRF5	NLW%	ТСР	LEQ
	0.28	9.4	0.1	2.8	-0.10	-1.74	12	149.6	149.2

Another White Suffolk artificial insemination son of White Suffolk sire FELIX 151229. Used as a ram lamb for the 2021 mating. Strong growth and excellent muscling combination. Lower birthweight genetics and outstanding daughter fertility. Very good eating quality genetics.

#### **MOUNT RONAN 200106**

BWT	WWT	PFAT	PEMD	IMF	SHRF5	NLW%	ТСР	LEQ
0.14	8.8	0.3	2.0	0.01	-1.57	13	143.2	143.5

Another White Suffolk artificial insemination son of White Suffolk sire FELIX 151229. Used as a ram lamb for the 2021 mating. Strong growth and excellent muscling combination. Lower birthweight and outstanding daughter fertility genetics. Very good eating quality genetics.

## WHITE SUFFOLK TERMINAL SIRE REFERENCES

(With ASBVs as at 22/01/2022)

#### MOUNT RONAN 200148

BWT	WWT	PFAT	PEMD	IMF	SHRF5	NLW%	ТСР	LEQ
0.45	10.5	-0.2	2.0	-0.15	0.07	8	148.9	149.8

Another White Suffolk artificial insemination son of White Suffolk sire FELIX 151229. Used as a ram lamb for the 2021 mating. Excellent growth and muscling combination. Higher daughter fertility. Very good eating quality genetics.

#### MOUNT RONAN 200427

BWT	WWT	PFAT	PEMD	IMF	SHRF5	NLW%	ТСР	LEQ
0.25	8.7	0.0	2.8	0.12	-1.60	3	148.9	151.9

A White Suffolk son of White Suffolk sire MOUNT RONAN 190019. Used as a ram lamb to mate selected White Suffolk and Maternal ewes for the 2021 mating. Good growth and excellent muscling combination. Lower birthweight genetics. Wonderful eating quality genetics.

#### SOMERSET 190158

BWT	WWT	PFAT	PEMD	IMF	SHRF5	NLW%	ТСР	LEQ
0.52	12.5	-0.5	4.8	-1.39	0.96	7	177.0	159.8

A White Suffolk son of White Suffolk sire SOMERSET 170147. Used in an artificial insemination program on selected White Suffolk ewes for 2021 lambing. Outstanding growth and muscling.

#### WOOLUMBOOL 173980

BWT	WWT	PFAT	PEMD	IMF	SHRF5	NLW%	ТСР	LEQ
0.37	10.4	0.4	3.2	0.56	-4.63	3	161.2	172.0

An outstanding White Suffolk son of ELLA MATTA 150097, and grandson of the outstanding sire MOUNT RONAN 110583. Used in the artificial insemination program for the 2019, 2020 & 2021 lambings. A wonderful balance of high production ASBVs, genes for exceptional worm resistance and outstanding eating quality.

<u>Notes:</u>						
Ashmore Ella Matta Felix Langley Heights Somerset Woolumbool	(SA) (SA) (NSW) (NSW) (VIC) (SA)	MR = Mount Ronan SOD = Sire of Dam DAM MS = Dam Mothering Score				
Shaded ASBV boxes indicate trait leaders – top 20% or better for that trait.						