



SOUTH SUFFOLK NEWSLETTER

Here is around up of happenings within our breed since my last newsletter. We are presently experiencing an extreme weather pattern having gone from being dry to quite wet over this past week. Hopefully the rain will give us all confidence going into autumn and winter.

Ram sales seem to have been steady but there have been some reductions in ewe numbers because of drought and changing land use, this is now impacting on our sheep industry along with low wool and lamb prices – not great and very hard for me to put a positive spin on the situation. As a breed we must continue to be proactive and be seen in the market with advertising etc. Our ever decreasing breeder numbers is making this difficult!! If anyone has innovative suggestions please contact me!

Below is a rundown on our stud ram sales from throughout the country.

CHRISTCHURCH SALE - 25 NOVEMBER

AJ & CH Prouting	- \$2000, \$2000, \$1000, \$3200, \$1800
SJ Sinclair	- \$5400, \$2000, \$800
JP & LB Chamberlain	- \$3300, \$2400, \$2600, \$800
Pine Grove	- \$2000
Heather Henderson	- \$2000
AT & AD McCall	- \$2000
DM & BJ Butterick	- \$1400

JA & NG Brown - \$800
M Quinn - \$800, \$800
RN Currie - \$800

FEILDING SALE - 13 December

AT & AD McCall - \$1200
JA & NG Brown - \$1100, \$1100
SJ Sinclair - \$1100

GORE SALE - 10 January

AT & AD McCall - \$4100, \$800, \$1000
RJ & EA Berney - \$2100, \$1500, \$800

A reminder of our breed tour, this year it is going to be based in Timaru and take place on 17 & 18 May. Breed Committee meeting 16 May at 2.30pm and the Annual Dinner on 17 May.

Itinerary and Registration Form out soon.

Day one will be based around the South Canterbury area while day two in the North Otago region. These tours are a great opportunity to see areas you may not be familiar with and catchup with like-minded people. As a group this is our only major gathering for the year so I encourage you all to try and support the tour.

I look forward to seeing as many breeders as possible in May.

Regards

Stuart Sinclair