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The Wiltshire Horn is the original shedding meat sheep, with origins going at least as far back as Roman times and possibly originating from northern Africa and/or the Middle East. During the 18th century it is recorded as being the most populous sheep in parts of southern England where it grazed extensively across the rough hilly common land and was renowned for its hardiness and ability to convert poor forage into lean meat. With the insurgence of the wooled merino breeds into the UK the breed fell from favour, and has only recently benefited from a renaissance with declining wool prices. The rams make excellant terminal sires with a high degree of hybrid vigour in the progeny. The breed was first introduced into New Zealand in the 1970's but since the majority of the foundation animals were crossbred stock the pure breed has never become strongly established here, and there are only a handful of breeders. The NZ Wiltshire or Wiltipoll has found more favour here, being a crossbred of a Wiltshire Horn with a polled wool breed. The pure Wiltshire Horn has a much stronger following in Australia with a very active breed society.

AVONSTOUR PARTNERSHIP Avonstour Rare Breeds Farm, 1170 Makuri Road, R. D. 25, Stratford, Taranaki 4395

Flock No. 1 (Registered 2004)

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Website www.rarebreeds.co.nz/avonstour/html

This flock was founded in 1989 by Avonstour Partnership on 7 inlamb ewes bred by Mr Robin Harwood (F.2 Aust.). Ewes added: 4 bred by Mr W.Ceaser, 3 bred by A. La Roach. Sires used have been bred by Mr Robin Harwood (F.2 Aust.); W.Ceaser, and Owner. No Return - 2016

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TROWBRIDGE, BEVERLEY

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This flock was founded in 1998 by Beverley Trowbridge on Wiltshire Horn foundation stock from Tim Gow's certified organic Mangapiri Downs Stud in Southland. Ewes added: 2002, Wiltshire Horn in-lamb ewes bred by D.Horton (F.36 Aust.)

Sires used have been bred by B.L.Wilson (F.84 Aust.); and Owner. No Return - 2016

A.B.F.

MEADOWS-FROST, ANTHONY & RITCHIE, CHERYL 26 Aubrey Road, R.D.3, Silverdale, Auckland 0993

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This flock was founded in 2009 by Anthony Meadows-Frost and Cheryl Ritchie on 4 ewes, bred by Beverley Trowbridge (F.2). Ewes added: 2011, 3 bred by Beverley Trowbridge (F.2).

Sires used have been bred by Beverley Trowbridge (F.2); and Owners.

 Ewes retained from previous year
 22

 Maiden ewes from own flock
 7

 Ewe lambs from own flock
 7

 Total
 36

Lambs bred in 2015 - Rams, 10; ewes, 9.

Sires used in 2016 -

'MVF 24/08' (45)6 bred by Beverley Trowbridge (F.2)

'Bluestone 3/14' (55), bred by Owners.

A.B.F.

QUINLAN, DAVID & MARGARET 5 Hiwinui Road, R.D.3, Drury, Auckland 2579

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This flock was founded in 2009 by David & Margaret Quinlan on 6 ewes, bred by Beverley Trowbridge (F.2).

Sires used have been bred by Beverley Trowbridge (F.2). Ewes kept in flock not put to ram 2016, 2.