



## 2016 GLOBAL DOHNE CONFERENCE – AUSTRALIA Thursday 21 July 2016

- 8:00 am Tours of Fletcher International Meat Works and Macdonald Woolbrokers in Dubbo are offered after breakfast.
- Fletcher has the ability to process up to 90,000 lambs and sheep each week with two processing plants in Australia. Fletcher: <http://www.fletchint.com.au/>
- 9.30am Morning tea break and tour of Macdonald Woolbrokers is the largest single site Woolbroker in NSW, processing 40,000 bales a year, which is 34% of the Dubbo Wool Market.”  
Macdonald Woolbrokers: <http://www.macwool.com.au/index.html>
- A suggested tour at delegates own expense, would be to Taronga Western Plains Zoo or have a rest morning and explore Dubbo ready for the conference.  
<http://www.dubbo.com.au/>
- 11:30 am Expo Centre, Dubbo Showground - Registration and Lunch
- 12:45 am Welcome  
Introduction, Master of Ceremonies  
Richard Beggs, President, Australian Dohne Breeders' Association

### SESSION 1

#### Past Present and Future Prospects of the Dohne Breed from Around the World

*The Global Conference begins with International speakers representing the Dohne Breed in South Africa, South America and Australia*

- 1:00 - 1:20 pm Koos Vosloo  
President of the Dohne Merino Breed Society of South Africa  
Edenburg, South Africa  
*"The Dohne in South Africa"*  
Question Time is included in this session
- 1:20 - 1:40 pm Allan Casey - Technical Adviser to the Australian Dohne Breeder's Association  
Founding and Life Member of the ADBA  
Brett Wilson – Dohne Database & NSW Department of Primary Industries  
*"The Dohne in Australia"*  
Question Time is included in this session
- 1:40 - 2:10 pm Roberto Cardellino  
Past-President of the Dohne Merino Breeders Association of Uruguay and  
former delegate to the World Federation of Merino Breeders  
*"The Dohne in South America"*  
Question Time is included in this session
- 2:10 - 2:30 pm Tom Filbin  
Rafter Seven Merinos, Inc  
Eureka Country, Nevada, USA  
*"The Sheep Industry in America"*  
Question Time is included in this session

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- 2:30 - 3:10 pm      The Afternoon Break provides delegates with the opportunity to network with industry professionals and view product displays as below:
- National sale rams
  - Stud displays
  - Commercial sheep displays
  - Industry displays

### **SESSION 2: Promoting the Global Sheep Industry**

*Key industry representatives present on promoting the Global Sheep industry*

- 3:10 – 3:30 pm      Shane Bodiam  
Chief Operating Officer  
Hassad Australia  
*“Corporate Agriculture and its role in the Australian Sheep Industry”*  
Question Time is included in this session

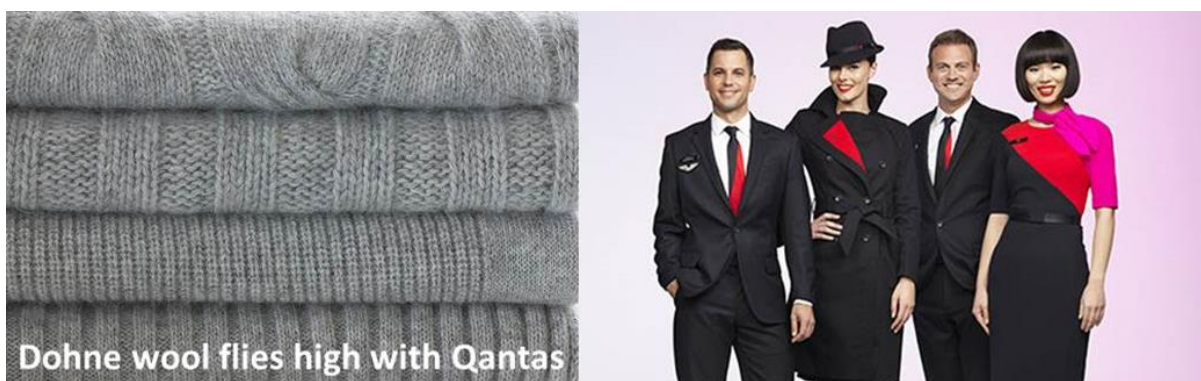
- 3:30 – 4:00 pm      Paul Swan  
General Manager, Research  
Australian Wool Innovation  
*“R&D for industry growth”*  
Question Time is included in this session

- 4:00 – 4:30 pm      Stuart McCullough - Chief Executive Officer  
Australian Wool Innovation & The Woolmark Company  
Damian Madden - Global Digital Engagement Manager  
Australian Wool Innovation & The Woolmark Company  
*“Marketing wool to the world”*  
Question Time is included in this session

- 4:30 pm              Close of Thursdays proceedings  
The Dinner Break provides delegates with the opportunity to network with industry professionals and view product displays as below:
- National sale rams
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- 6:00 pm              AWI Cocktail Party and Fashion Parade

Following the speaking sessions, delegates will be treated to a Cocktail Party and Fashion Parade to be held in the Expo Centre, Dubbo Showgrounds



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8:30 am Expo Centre Dubbo Showground - Registration

8:50 am Welcome  
Richard Beggs, President, Australian Dohne Breeder's Association

### SESSION 3: Technical Session

*Day two of the Global Conference commences with a Technical Session when leading industry representatives will provide Key Technical Presentations on Genetics and Genomics*

9:00 – 9:20 am Kobus Delpont  
Manager, Dohne Merino Breed Society of South Africa  
*"Improving reproduction rate in the South African Dohne Merino Population"*  
Authors GJ Delpont & JJ Olivier  
Question Time is included in this session

9:20 – 9:40 am Hamish Chandler  
Manager  
Sheep Genetics Australia (SG)  
*"Dohne Genetic Evaluation on the world stage"*  
Question Time is included in this session

9:40 – 10:00 am Julius Van der Werf  
Manager of the Genetics Program  
Australian Sheep CRC  
*"Genomics and the Nucleus Flock"*  
Question Time is included in this session

10:00 – 10:30 am Morning Tea Break provides delegates with the opportunity to network with industry professionals and view product displays as below:

- National sale rams
- Stud displays
- Commercial sheep displays
- Industry displays

### SESSION 4: Meat Research and Development

*Explore Meat Research and Development and be informed with presentations from Meat Industry Representatives on the latest research findings*

10:30-10:50 am Lu Hogan  
Industry Engagement & Training Coordinator  
Sheep CRC  
*"Commercial Flock Genomic Benchmarking and ram selection implications"*  
Question Time is included in this session

10:50-11:10 am Sarah Strachan  
Operations Manager, Meat Standards Australia, Meat & Livestock Australia  
*"Lamb eating quality and the Future of MSA"*  
Question Time is included in this session

11:10 – 11:30 am Bruce Peat  
Farmer & Meat Processor  
*"Industry / Processor Prospective of the Dohne Breed"*  
Question Time is included in this session

11:30 – 1:00 pm Lunch – Including Jim Murray AWI Shearer training demonstrations  
During the lunch break delegates will have the opportunity to network with other professional producers in a relaxed atmosphere

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### SESSION 5: Education

*The Australian Dohne Breeder's Association has a number of key partner relationships with various institutions around Australia. Education is vital in influencing the next generation of sheep breeders from these institutions*

- 1:00 – 1:30 pm      Geoff Duddy  
Sheep Solutions  
Leeton NSW  
*"The Dohnes role in the Australian Sheep Industry"*  
Question Time is included in this session
- 1:30– 1:45 pm      Robert (Bob) Dunn  
New South Wales Department of Primary Industries  
*"Hands on Education - the Practical Advantage"*  
Question Time is included in this session
- 1:45 – 2:00 pm      Kathryn Egerton-Warburton  
Charles Sturt University  
*"Dohne Partnerships with Education and Training"*  
Question Time is included in this session
- 2:00 - 2:40 pm      The Afternoon Break provides delegates with the opportunity to network with industry professionals and view product displays as below:
- National sale rams
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- ### SESSION 6: Producer Prospective
- Testimonials from producers using Dohne Genetics to improve their production system in a range of environments around Australia*
- 2:40 – 3:00 pm      Wayne Hawkins  
Frances, SA  
JBS Swift Great Southern Lamb Producer of the Year  
*"The maternal qualities of the Dohne"*  
Question Time is included in this session
- 3:00 – 3:20 pm      Barry Hutton  
Rivalea Australia Pty Ltd, Corowa NSW  
*"Ethical sheep breeding and management and the performance of the Dohne in a feedlot "*  
Question Time is included in this session
- 3:20 - 3:40 pm      Graham Lean  
Agrivet Business Consulting  
*"Dohnes: How they stack up financially"*  
Question Time is included in this session
- 3:40 – 4:10 pm      Michael O'Brien  
2009 NSW Farmer of the Year  
O'Brien Brigalows Pastoral, Walgett NSW  
*"The role of Dohnes in a large scale mixed farming operation"*  
Question Time is included in this session

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## Friday 22 July 2016 (continued)

4:10 pm Close of Thursday's proceedings  
The Dinner Break provides delegates with the opportunity to network with industry professionals, view product and animal displays

### MLA Formal Conference Dinner – Dubbo RSL Club

6:00 – 7:00 pm Pre dinner meet and greet  
Cocktail Finger Food

7:00 pm Main Course

7:30 – 8:00 pm Guest speaker  
Cameron McMaster, South Africa  
"Celebrating 50 years since the establishment of the breed society"

8:30 pm National Ram Sale  
The National Dohne Ram Sale will be held during the formal dinner.  
The premier event auction will be the showcase of the 2016 selling season.  
Studs from across Australia will be offering stud rams in single pens.

9:15 pm Dessert  
Music and dancing

### Day 9: Saturday 23 July 2016

Meals B

#### Annual General Meeting

9:30 am Annual General Meeting of the ADBA

The Australian Dohne Breeder's Association has its Annual General Meeting scheduled for 9.30 am at the **Woolpack Function Centre, Dubbo Showground.**

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided by the Australian Dohne Breeder's Association.

Everyone is welcome to attend with Council arranging guest speakers.



#### Dubbo ~ Sydney

After the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting at 11:00 am, board your coach for a transfer to Sydney. Sydney is a vibrant city with plenty to see and do. You may wish to visit the Sydney Opera House or climb the Sydney Harbour Bridge just to mention a few attractions this city has to offer.

**All Tours in Sydney are extra and at delegates own expense.**

The Global Dohne Conference and Pre-Tour concludes at this point in Sydney.  
Optional Tours are available to Western Australia and South Australia.

For a complete list of activities while in Sydney please visit <http://www.sydney.com/>

**Accommodation: North Sydney Harbourview Hotel, Tel: (02) 9955 0499**

Disclaimer: Program and speakers subject to change.

**Tour and Conference Concludes**  
**OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL STATE TOURS ARE OFFERED AS FOLLOWS:**

**Optional Tour – South Australia**  
**Monday 25 July to Wednesday 27 July 2016**

**Day 1: Monday 25 July 2016**

**Meals L D**

**Adelaide to Barossa**

**THE FLIGHT FROM SYDNEY TO ADELAIDE IS AT DELEGATES OWN ORGANISATION AND EXPENSE.** The two major airlines that operate in Australia are Qantas and Virgin Australia.

**Location:** Adelaide Pickup at 10:00 am from the Adelaide Central Bus Station, 85 Franklin Street, Adelaide SA 5000. The Central Bus Station is a 15-minute taxi journey from the Adelaide Airport and is located in the city centre.

**Location:** Barossa Delegates to spend the day sightseeing around Angaston, including Menglers Hill Lookout and visiting Seppeltsfield Winery.  
Delegates will have dinner with South Australian Dohne Breeders.

For Additional Information regarding the Barossa visit: <http://www.barossa.com/>

**Accommodation: Hotel Novotel Barossa Valley Resort, Tel: (08) 8524 0045**

**Day 2: Tuesday 26 July 2016**

**Meals B L D**

**Barossa**

**Location:** Barossa Delegates will visit Grant Burge Winery for tastings in the morning.

Tour participants will be treated to a Dohne stud sheep display from the South Australian Dohne Breeders. Conference participants and South Australian Breeders will have the opportunity to discuss their breeding program in one central location and showcase their animals.

For Additional Information regarding the Barossa Visit: <http://www.barossa.com/>

Depart on Flight QF595 at 5.30pm and Arrive Perth 7:25 pm WA time



## Optional Tour – Western Australia Tuesday 26 July to Friday 29 July 2016

**Tuesday 26 July 2016**

**Meals D**

**Location: Perth**

**THE FLIGHT IS AT DELEGATES OWN ORGANISATION AND EXPENSE.** Depart from Adelaide on Depart on Flight QF595 at 5.30pm and Arrive Perth 7:25 pm WA time

**Day 1: Wednesday 27 July 2016**

**Meals D**

**Location:** Muresk



Delegates will be collected from Perth Airport and travel to Muresk Institute Northam for the WA Dohne Sire Day. Dohne breeders from across Western Australia will be available to discuss their breeding programs and have a selection of animals on display. Delegates will have the opportunity to view the Muresk partnership and meet staff and students studying a variety of Agricultural courses. Dinner will be in the historic Muresk homestead with Western Australian Dohne Breeders and Staff from Muresk.

For Additional Information regarding Muresk please visit

<http://www.dtwd.wa.gov.au/trainingproviders/mureskinstitute/Pages/default.aspx>

**Accommodation: - Muresk**

**Day 2: Thursday 28 July 2016**

**Meals BLD**

**Location:** Muresk



Cameron McMaster the “Father” of the Dohne Breed from South Africa will conduct a Ram Breeding Workshop today. This will be an incredible opportunity to meet with Cameron and discuss concepts with a pioneer of the breed.

International delegates will be given the opportunity to share their farming experiences with the students from Muresk.

The students would appreciate hearing first-hand about agriculture in other areas of the world, both in general terms and also individual farming practices.

**Accommodation: - Muresk**

**Day 3: Friday 29 July 2016**

**Meals BL**

**Location:** Muresk



The Ram Breeding Workshop will conclude today by noon.

Transport will be provided to delegates back to Perth.

You are free to extend your stay to visit tourist attractions of Perth, Fremantle and further afield, AT YOUR OWN EXPENSE.

Alternatively you can use the time before your flight home to do a quick tour of Perth and pick up some mementoes for family and friends back home.