

SIXTEENTH AUSTRALIAN FLEECE COMPETITION

**AUSTRALIAN SHEEP
& WOOL SHOW
BENDIGO, VICTORIA
15TH - 17TH JULY 2016**

**Total Prize Value
Over \$15,000**

**Major Prize
\$2,000 Travel Voucher for
Grand Champion Fleece**

**Global Dohne
Conference Feature**



**Closing date for entry
forms and fleece delivery
Friday 3rd June 2016**

**Enter online at
www.sheepshow.com**

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COMPETITION OBJECTIVES

- To conduct a commercial fleece competition utilising current technology to assist both the objective and subjective measurement criteria.
- To conduct a fleece competition which provides educational outcomes to competitors, wool growers and the industry at large.
- To conduct a fleece competition encompassing all main wool types.

AUSTRALIAN FLEECE COMPETITION CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. Stud Breeders are not permitted to enter commercial sections.
2. Entries in the commercial divisions are to be shorn from sheep run under paddock conditions. Any fleeces from rugged or housed sheep or those showing evidence of non-commercial feeding practices will be entered into stud divisions.
3. Fleeces should be intact and conventionally skirted and rolled to current industry standards.
Any fleeces that are insufficiently skirted will have excess removed by stewards. Judges reserve the right to deduct points for colour & uniformity of length. Fleeces containing brands should not be submitted. Fleeces with brands will be penalised for colour.
4. Landmark Wool Staff shall act as collection points for fleeces.
Wooltrans Aust will transport fleeces to and from the show at no charge to the exhibitor from capital city depots within Australia, **providing they meet cut off dates.**
5. All fleeces will be weighed and tested for yield, fibre diameter, staple length and strength under the standard procedures of AWTA and based on IWTO regulations.
6. Fleeces will be allocated to their respective division according to test results.
7. Vegetable matter - A default value of 1.0% will be applied for all fleeces. For any fleece visually greater than 1.0% vm, the appraised value will be substituted for the default 1.0% value and the clean weight adjusted accordingly.
8. All benchmarks will be surveyed annually and adjusted in June each year.
9. Implied values will be based on AWEX wool types Eastern Market indicator averaged for the July 2015 to June 2016 selling season supplied by AWEX.
10. The Committee reserves the right to not issue Champion awards in any section subject to the overall judging criteria.
11. Each fleece must be accompanied by the fleece card, specifying the name of the exhibitor, phone contact, section entered, etc., **Additional fleece cards are available from Landmark wool personnel - contacts listed on the back of this brochure.**
Entry forms can be obtained from the Australian Sheepbreeders Association, Landmark Wool Staff (In each State) or from the following websites: www.landmark.com.au or www.sheepshow.com
12. The judges' decision is final and no discussions will be entered into.
13. Fleeces will only be accepted from sheep which have been the bonafide property of the exhibitor for at **least 6 months prior to being shorn.**
14. Fleeces must be shorn from the current season; ie July 2015 - June 2016.
15. All fleeces must remain on display until the conclusion of the show in the fleece exhibition area.
Exhibitors will be able to collect fleeces after 4pm on Sunday 17th July, or before or after the ram sales - Monday 18th of July.
16. Please note that all fleeces will be covered by insurance from property to show and return.
17. Winners of major fleece sections and State Champions will be kept for display purposes at a public viewing area - Victorian Wool Centre - Melbourne during the next 12 Months. (State Champions to be displayed in home State.)
18. Online entry is available on ASBA website: www.sheepshow.com
19. All fleeces from outside Australia will only be accepted if they comply with AQIS regulations.
20. Exhibitor contact details may be provided to media or show sponsors as part of show promotion or structured sponsorship agreements.
21. Trophies for the Most Successful Stud Exhibitor and Most Successful Commercial Exhibitor will be awarded to the exhibitor with the greatest number of aggregate points in each breed section, providing each individual fleece scores a minimum of 75 points.
22. Entry fees are:
 - \$16.50 incl. GST per entry for ASBA members
 - \$22.00 incl. GST per entry for non-ASBA members
 - **No fee if fleece is donated to:**

KEY TO JUDGES COMMENTS AND POINTS DEDUCTED FOR

U	FRIB / PCS / BLS PRESENT
M	SCOURABLE COLUR
V	SKIN PIECES
R	BRAND
L	CLUMPY SEED
F	SOFT COTT
A	DERMATITIS
N	WATER STAIN
H	PEN STAIN
S	DARK STAIN
K	MEDULATED FIBRE
Y	BLACK & COLOURED FIBRE
1	CHECK TEST PERFORMED - MICRON
2	CHECK TEST PERFORMED - YIELD
3	CHECK TEST PERFORMED - LENGTH & STRENGTH

ALLOCATION OF POINTS	MAX
CLEAN FLEECE WEIGHT	38
COMMERCIAL PROCESSING PERFORMANCE	38
COLOUR	6
EVENNESS	8
STYLE / CHARACTER / HANDLE	10
TOTAL POINTS	100

MERINO PERFORMANCE SECTION CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

These are stand alone divisions and entries will not be eligible for the major Australian Fleece Competition awards

- Fleeces must be only from growers who shear their flock in 6-8 month cycles as a commercial practice.
- Date of current and previous shearing are to be stated by Exhibitor.
- The committee or judges have the discretion to request wool test results of the flock from which the fleeces were selected.
- Fleece weights will be assessed against a percentage of the current AFC benchmarks based on weeks of growth.
- Processing performance will be assessed against the AFC benchmarks for hauteur, CV of hauteur, noil, strength and mm growth per week.
- A visual appraisal will determine points awarded for colour, evenness, style and handle.
- If an exhibitor owns a registered stud all fleeces will be entered in stud divisions.
- Ram fleeces will not be accepted in a performance section. Exhibitors, wool industry participants and the public are invited to provide written feedback and input into how to improve or grow this section and provide relevant information to the wool industry.

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MAJOR AWARDS

All prizes will be awarded on the basis of points for both objective and visual judging.

Total Prize Value Over \$15,000

Grand Champion
Reserve Champion
Champion Commercial
Reserve Champion Commercial
Most Successful Stud Exhibitor
Most Successful Commercial Exhibitor

OVERALL WINNERS

Sponsored by Landmark & WFI
Sponsored by Elanco Animal Health
Sponsored by Virbac
Sponsored by Bayer
Sponsored by AWTA
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Travel Voucher - \$2000
Extinosad - \$1000
Product - \$750
Product - \$250
Trophy & Testing - \$250
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SECTIONS & DIVISIONS

ALL FLEECES WILL BE FULLY TESTED (LENGTH AND STRENGTH INCLUDED)

NOTE: FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD, RIBBONS WILL BE AWARDED IN EACH DIVISION. HIGHLY COMMENDED RIBBONS AWARDED TO FLEECES MEETING AGREED CRITERIA.

MERINO

DIVISION 1 14.5 & Finer Commercial Ewe or Wether
Champion sponsored by Jackson of Geelong. Wool Services - \$250
Reserve Champion sponsored by FeedTest. Testing - \$150

EXTRA ULTRA FINE 14.6 - 15.5 MICRON

DIVISION 2 Merino Stud Ram
DIVISION 3 Merino Stud Ewe or Wether
DIVISION 4 Merino Commercial Ewe or Wether
Champion sponsored by Aussie Wool Quilts. Product - \$250
Reserve sponsored by Allflex. Product \$150

ULTRA FINE 15.6 - 16.5 MICRON

DIVISION 5 Merino Stud Ram
DIVISION 6 Merino Stud Ewe or Wether
DIVISION 7 Merino Commercial Ewe or Wether
Champion sponsored by Elanco Animal Health. Product - \$250
Reserve sponsored by CGU Insurance. Cash - \$150

EXTRA SUPER FINE 16.6 - 17.5 MICRON

DIVISION 8 Merino Stud Ram
DIVISION 9 Merino Stud Ewe or Wether
DIVISION 10 Merino Commercial Ewe or Wether
Champion sponsored by Modiano Australia. Cash - \$300
Reserve sponsored by Slide Away Feeders. Product - \$150

SUPER FINE 17.6 - 18.5 MICRON

DIVISION 11 Merino Stud Ram
DIVISION 12 Merino Stud Ewe or Wether
DIVISION 13 Merino Commercial Ewe or Wether
Champion sponsored by Australian Merino Exports. Cash - \$250
Reserve sponsored by FeedTest. Testing - \$150

FINE 18.6 - 19.5 MICRON

DIVISION 14 Merino Stud Ram
DIVISION 15 Merino Stud Ewe or Wether
DIVISION 16 Merino Commercial Ewe or Wether
Champion sponsored by Bayer Animal Health. Product - \$250
Reserve sponsored by Allflex. Product - \$150

FINE MEDIUM 19.6 - 20.5 MICRON

DIVISION 17 Merino Stud Ram
DIVISION 18 Merino Stud Ewe or Wether
DIVISION 19 Merino Commercial Ewe or Wether
Champion sponsored by Merial. Dynamax Capsules - \$400
Reserve sponsored by Zoetis. Product \$150

MEDIUM 20.6 - 22.0 MICRON

DIVISION 20 Merino Stud Ram
DIVISION 21 Merino Stud Ewe or Wether
DIVISION 22 Merino Commercial Ewe or Wether
Champion sponsored by Heiniger. Product - \$250
Reserve sponsored by CGU Insurance. Cash - \$150

STRONG 22.1 MICRON & STRONGER

DIVISION 23 Merino Stud Ram
DIVISION 24 Merino Stud Ewe or Wether
DIVISION 25 Merino Commercial Ewe or Wether
Champion sponsored by AWTA. Testing - \$250
Reserve sponsored by Slide Away Feeders. Product - \$150

DOHNE

DIVISION 26 Dohne Stud Ram
DIVISION 27 Dohne Stud Ewe or Wether
DIVISION 28 Dohne Commercial Ewe or Wether F3+
Champion sponsored by Aust. Dohne Breeders Assoc. Cash \$250
Reserve sponsored by Aust. Dohne Breeders Assoc. Cash \$150
Champion stud ram sponsored by Babirra Dohne Stud. Cash \$250
Reserve champion stud ram sponsored by Zoetis. Product \$150
Champion Stud ewe/wether sponsored by Burnbank Dohne Stud. Cash \$250
Reserve champion stud ewe/wether sponsored by Coopers Animal Health. Product \$150
Champion commercial fleece sponsored by Macquarie-Wardry Dohne Stud. Cash \$350
Reserve Champion commercial fleece sponsored by Cooper Animal Health. Product \$150
Wool Classer Award sponsored by Aust. Dohne Breeders Assoc. Cash \$150

POLWARTH

DIVISION 29 Polwarth Stud Ram
DIVISION 30 Polwarth Stud Ewe or Wether
DIVISION 31 Polwarth Commercial Ewe or Wether
Champion sponsored by Elanco Animal Health. Product - \$250
Reserve sponsored by Performance Feeds - Anipro. Product - \$150

CORRIEDALE

DIVISION 32 Corriedale Stud Ram
DIVISION 33 Corriedale Stud Ewe or Wether
DIVISION 34 Corriedale Commercial Ewe or Wether
Champion sponsored by Williams Wool. Cash - \$250
Reserve sponsored by CGU Insurance. Cash - \$150

BRITISH BREEDS / OTHER BREEDS

DIVISION 35 British Long Wool Ram
DIVISION 36 British Long Wool Ewe
DIVISION 37 Downs Wool
DIVISION 38 Commercial Crossbred Fleece (29.5 micron & finer)
DIVISION 39 Commercial Crossbred Fleece (29.6 micron & stronger)
Champion sponsored by Genesis Industries. Product - \$250
Reserve sponsored by Zoetis. Product - \$150

MERINO PERFORMANCE 6-8MTH SHEARING

DIVISION 101 Merino Stud Ewe or Wether
DIVISION 102 Merino Commercial Ewe or Wether
Champion sponsored by Modiano Australia. Cash - \$500
Reserve sponsored by Gallagher. Product - \$250
Most Valuable sponsored by Performance Feeds - Anipro. Product - \$150

COMMERCIAL FLEECE VALUE SECTION

(REFER CLAUSE 9) - WILL BE JUDGED IN SIX GROUPS

- Group 1 Most Valuable - from divisions 1,3,4,6,7
- Group 2 Most Valuable - from divisions 9,10,12,13
- Group 3 Most Valuable - from divisions 15,16,18,19
- Group 4 Most Valuable - from divisions 21,22,24,25
- Group 5 Most Valuable - from divisions 27,28,30,31
- Group 6 Most Valuable - from divisions 33,34,36,37,38,39

Each Group sponsored by AWEX

Wool Market reporting services - 6 x \$200 each TOTAL VALUE \$1,200

SPECIAL AWARDS

HIGHEST SCORING FLEECE IN EACH STATE

Sponsored by Landmark - Value \$500 per State

- Champion Fleece N.S.W. - Landmark Wool Services
- Champion Fleece Queensland - Landmark Wool Services
- Champion Fleece South Australia - Landmark Product
- Champion Fleece Tasmania - Landmark Product
- Champion Fleece Victoria - Landmark Wool Services
- Champion Fleece Western Australia - Landmark Wool Services

FUTURE OF FARMING - AG COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS AWARDS

Awarded to highest points in Divisions 1-39, Entered by Ag Colleges or Schools
Champion and Reserve Trophies Sponsored by CGU

All prizes are to be claimed within 12 months of the competition and are not redeemable for cash.



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DELIVERY OF ALL FLEECES TO LANDMARK BROOKLYN, MELBOURNE VICTORIA NO LATER THAN
Friday 3rd June 2016

Fleeces consigned to any other delivery points in Australia must be received by Friday 27th May 2016.

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