

## April 2020 Newsletter

Welcome to the April 2020 edition of the Callowie Poll Merinos newsletter. Thank you to everyone that supported us in 2019.

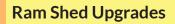
Whilst we are currently living in rather crazy times and unchartered territory with this world-wide health pandemic, life on the farm continues across the country, even though a lot of uncertainty revolves around the foreseeable future.

### Sale Rams 2020

Our 2020 Sale Rams were shorn on the 14th of February. They are growing well, and currently have free reign to go in and out of the ram shed and ram paddock.

They have all come out of the wool well, and are showing all the attributes of Callowie's 5 C's (Conformation, Constitution, Covering, Carcase & Consistency).

Look for them later in the year at our Annual Ram Sale.



We are currently progressing with replacing the gratings in the ram shed. It is a big job, and we are slowly progressing pen by pen. It's looking wonderful and feels very solid under foot.



Ram Shed gratings upgrade in progress



### **Welcome Back Angus**

Angus has returned back to the Tatiara and is working 2 days/week with us at home.

We are enjoying having him back and providing his muscle, as well as contributing to planning for the future in all aspects of our business.





Above: 2020 Sale Rams

Right: 2020 Sale Rams Pre-Shearing, February



### **March Shearing**

March shearing of ewes has recently been completed. We are very pleased with how the wool looks with good length, style and soundness.

Ewes are ready for lambing in May/June 2020.



Shearing. March 2020.

Mobble

Jock Lawrence 'Chief Mobbler' from Mobble recently interviewed Richard for his blog post talking about the many things that Richard has been involved in over the years at an industry level, as well as some of our own farming business.

Have a listen:

https://www.mobble.io/post/advocacy-for-woolwith-richard-halliday

Callowie has been using the Mobble app to help with the day to day recordings of livestock management for over 12 months and find it a great tool to assist with keeping on top of everything.

### Watch this Space: COVID-19

At this stage the Australian Sheep and Wool show is planning to go ahead, and until we are advised otherwise, Callowie will continue to plan to show at Bendigo in July.

This will also apply to the SE Stud Merino Field Days at Keith on the 22nd July 2020.

# **ANNUAL RAM SALE MON 24TH AUGUST 2020 - 1PM**

**INSPECTION DAY** THURS 13TH AUGUST - 1PM - 4PM

### **Classing Available**

Richard is available to all existing clients who would like assistance with classing their ewes in the coming season.

Please contact Richard directly to discuss further -0428854759.

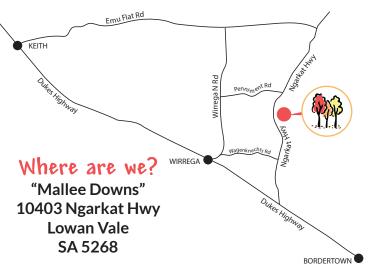
### **Ram Sale & Inspection Day**

We will continue to plan for our property inspection day on Thursday 13th August from 1 - 4pm, and depending on what happens in the coming months we may make additional dates available so we can provide various opportunities for inspection of the young sires prior to the sale.

Our On Property Ram Sale will be held on Monday 24th August.

We are mindful of the current uncertainties and we will provide updates with any changes or alternate options as we move through these challenging times.

We hope you are all keeping well and thinking of those who are at risk during these times. Keep washing your hands, keep your distance, cover any coughs and keep things clean. We will get through this.



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