

# GLEN DEVON

## Poll Dorset Prime Lamb Sires



### Welcome

What a difference a year makes! Last year we reflected on the experience of floodwaters in late 2016. Late winter rains have given this season some hope, but it is fair to say we were experiencing the other extreme this year; one of the driest ever at Glen Devon.

However the genetic quality and health and fitness of the rams we present for sale is the key to your future profitability as sheep and lamb producers. In that respect we are fully confident that the rams we are offering on the 17th September will be of their usual high standard and will enable their purchasers to reap the benefits of an industry that has never been better.

We invite you to our 2018 Poll Dorset ram sale held annually on the Monday of the third week of September.

We work diligently on constantly improving the genetic quality of the Glen Devon flock and the rams we produce and offer to industry participants.

We are proud of our sheep and trust they will meet your requirements. We hope to enjoy your company on sale day.

**Glen Devon annual on-property ram sale**

**Monday September 17th 2018 - 1pm**

**Inspection from 11am - off Richardson Rd, Two Wells**

Offering **100** rams including **8** specially selected stud rams

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## Sale Report

*The following is an abbreviated report on our successful 2017 on-property ram sale that appeared in the press.*

### **Glen Devon's consistent quality rewarded**

The Hart family, Glen Devon Poll Dorsets, Two Wells again penned another top quality draft of productive and industry relevant rams for buyer competition.

The rams demonstrated outstanding phenotype, with Landmark auctioneer Gordon Wood consistently highlighting their body length, particularly through the high value cut areas of their loins and hindquarters.

There was strong competition from the 28 registered bidders, including a few welcome new bidders. The result saw 94 of the 96 offered clear to buyers from three states, topping at \$2000 and averaging \$1204.

Seven specially selected rams opened the sale with the first, GD 160058 topping at \$2000. Brett Peters, Elders Roseworthy placed the winning bid on behalf of Colin Checker, Kersbrook. The balance of these seven special selections all went commercially but at good prices, averaging \$1814.



*Lachlan Hart holds GD 160058 that sold for the sale's top price of \$2000. He is with Brett Peters Elders Roseworthy who purchased the ram for Colin Checker, Kersbrook and Landmark's Brian Manuel.*

Long term regulars Neil Hamilton from Ouyen in Victoria and Lloyd Mudge, Pt Wakefield both went to \$1900 amongst their selections, the sale's second top price. Neil Hamilton purchased three of the elite performance rams at a \$1733 average, with his top lot having a carcass plus index of 201.5. The Mudge family went home with six top rams, these averaging \$1583.

The strength of bidding through the first 50 lots saw the front half average \$1392, driven very much by two buyers

in particular who were prepared to chase the best. Nanni DiGiorgio, Lucindale was the biggest volume ram buyer, purchasing 20 rams overall, with 15 of those coming from the first half of the sale. Bidding through PPH & S's Robin Steen, he paid to \$1700 and averaged \$1450 for his 20 top rams, the DiGiorgio family having supported this sale for 13 years.

Jim Downer, Mt Beevor Pty Ltd was another Glen Devon regular buyer who was strong early. He went to \$1600 six times and averaged \$1389 in purchasing nine rams.

The Victorian Mallee region has long supported this sale and including Neil Hamilton's three rams, 11 producers from the Ouyen and Underbool areas purchased a total of 24 rams at auction.

BR & C agent, Rory Singleton bid on behalf of eight of them, purchasing 18 rams at a \$1028 average and then added another 11 rams post sale from private selection pens. Of his clients, the most prominent was G Crane with six rams to \$1400 and at an \$1167 average.

Three NSW buyers from the Goulburn and Crookwell areas were also very competitive in purchasing a combined 11 rams at a \$945 average, topping at \$1200.

Adam and Leanne Jamieson, Adalis Pastoral, Snowtown were also prominent buyers, and were able to purchase nine very good quality rams to \$1100 and at a \$933 average.

"While the rams weren't as advanced as in the last couple of years, they responded as their genetic strength indicated they could once the season improved," Lachlan Hart said.

"The family is delighted with the vote of confidence the buyers had given through their bidding which resulted in our highest ever average," he added.



*Glen Devon's co-principal Lachlan Hart (left) and Landmark auctioneer Gordon Wood (3rd right) are with key buyers who collectively purchased 50% of the sale offering.*

*They are Jim Downer, Nairne (nine rams to \$1600), BR & C Ouyen agent Rory Singleton (18 rams to \$1400), and Nanni DiGiorgio, Lucindale and his buying agent, Robin Steen, PPH & S, Naracoorte (20 rams to \$1700).*

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