



The ANZ Agribusiness Crookwell Maiden Flock Ewe Competition



Sunday 10 February 2019

Chief Steward: Shannon Arnall

Final Judging: 1:00 PM

Finalists on display from 9:30 AM

Placegetters announced at 1:00 PM

The competition started in 2009. It has now grown to the largest participation competition in NSW. It is now more than a sheep competition but one of the major social events for graziers in the Crookwell area. We greatly appreciate the support of ANZ Agribusiness Goulburn, as the sponsor as well as the local exhibitors.

Full details of the 2019 competition including rules, entry forms and judging timetable are available on the website
crookwellshow.com.au/flockewecomp.html

1st round Judging will take place on farm over the days of Wednesday 23 and Thursday 24 January 2019, where judges will visit the entrants on their property to view their flock of ewes. You are welcome to accompany the team for this judging and can do so by contacting the Secretary, Michael Lowe on 0407 552 619.

Teams will be judged on the following scale, and must show a minimum of 50 ewes:

Wool Quantity for type	50 points
Wool Quality and Character for type	50 points
Conformation, Structure and Size for type	50 points
Commercial Qualities	25 points
Culling Percentage	25 points
Total	200 points

The 2019 judges are:

- Matt Coddington, "Roseville Park Merino Stud", Dubbo NSW
- Georgia Walters, "Merani Park", Dalgety

On Sunday 10 February 2019 in the Sheep Pavilion at the Crookwell Show, the finalists will display their pens of top 5 ewes. The winners and placegetters of the competition will be announced at 1:00 PM on this day.

Local on-farm judging Wednesday 23 and Thursday 24 January 2019

Conditions of Entry

1. The competition is open to any person, partnership or company; provided the sheep exhibited have been bred on the property of that person, partnership or company and the property is in the Crookwell region.
2. The sheep exhibited must have been running on the property of the entrant for the full twelve months and must carry the registered earmark of the entrant.
3. Sheep entered in the competition must not carry more than twelve months wool. Rugging and/or pampering of sheep included in the entry are not allowed. If, in the opinion of the judges and/or committee other non-commercial practices have been carried out, they may disqualify that entrant from participation in that year's competition. The judge and/or committee's decision will be final.
4. To compete, all "classed in" maiden merino ewes of the same drop showing no more than two (2) permanent teeth must be available for judging. **A minimum of 50 ewes are required to compete.**
5. Each exhibitor must complete an entry form. A fee of \$50.00 will be charged to assist in covering costs, and payment must accompany the entry form.
6. On the day of judging all maiden ewes must be presented as one mob in a yard for judging with access to a drenching race. The judges will instruct when to fill the race for further inspection.
7. In addition, entrants will be required to display their top five ewes in a separate pen on judging day.
8. Exhibitors shearing after 1 December 2018 are entitled to present 10% (to a max of 50 head) of their maiden ewes in full wool for judging. Apart from the exhibitors top five these should be a random selection.
9. Eight finalists will be announced *in no particular order* at the presentation evening. Four finalists will be from entries shorn before 1 September 2018 and four finalists from entries shorn between 1 September 2018 and 19 January 2019. First to Fourth placings will be awarded in each category at the Crookwell Show with the highest scoring flock being awarded the Champion Prize.
10. Any person, partnership or company, who is a registered stud of the NSW Stud Merino Breeders Association or who has bred and then sold or traded merino rams to another merino enterprise within the last five years, will be ineligible to enter the competition.
11. Standard culling percentage of approximately 30% is deemed acceptable in the commercial sheep industry. Extremes above or below may incur penalties where the judges see fit.
12. All decisions and judgments made by the committee will be final.



A P & H Flock Ewe steward and exhibitor, Caspar McDonald examining sheep at Graeme Hewitt's property, "Wongalea"



Interested spectators at "Wongalea"