

Hill Padua Newsletter 12/09/2014

Hi Everyone,

We hope the recent rain has made an appearance at your place and is not too late to be beneficial for crops and pastures.

Recently Anthony made the trip to Northampton attending the "Northern Ram Breeders Field Day", as well as taking seven rams up to the Chapman Valley show. These adventures were well worth it, showing of the MPM breed and creating very good interest in the ASBV's, and the trait's of the MPM ram's.

We have just upgraded our drafting and weighting set up by purchasing a new Prattley 3 way auto drafter and Tru-Test XR5000 weigher and electronic ear tag reader. This is primarily for improving the time it takes and accuracy of weighing ram lambs for the ASBV's, and also wethers for market. It will also have other benefits down the track by enabling us to mother up ewes and lambs, drafting lambs into sire groups for progeny evaluations and tracking ewe growth rate, all to improve the accuracy as well as the individual ASBV's.

This has led to us having a surplus Prattley 3 way manual drafting gate and a Tru-Test 3000 weigher for sale if anyone is looking to upgrade.

It is that time of year again for Mingenew Expo, and we will be displaying Rams and Ewes up there on the 18th and 19th of September. So please call in and say G'day and have a cuppa if you are around. Expo gives us a great opportunity to show case the Hill Padua MPM genetics and gives a sneak preview of some of the rams that will be available at the sale.

As usual our sale is on the Monday following the Expo, the 22nd of September. Inspection is from 10.30am with the sale commencing after lunch at 1.00 pm. A final copy of the sale catalogue can be down loaded off the website, www.hillpaduampm.com.au, in the "Sales and Field days" page.

Meghan Cornelius from the Department of Agriculture will be giving an informative explanation on the ins and outs of ASBV's just prior to the auction.

Hope you can attend and we will see you there.

Cheers from all at Hill Padua (Pad-ewe-a)

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