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The BreedELITE DSSA Southern Region 14th Annual Supreme Dorper & White Dorper Sale Sunday 16th July 2023 at the Prince of Wales Showgrounds Bendigo, VIC

Dear Members,

The Dorper Sheep Society of Australia Inc. Southern Region will be hosting the annual BreedELITE DSSA Southern Region Supreme Dorper and White Dorper Sale on at **1pm on Sunday 16th July 2023. The sale will be run in conjunction with the Australian Sheep & Wool Show- Bendigo**. The selling agents are to be confirmed.

All financial members of the DSSA are invited to nominate Dorper and White Dorper rams and ewes in the sale. Sheep are to be housed in their pens by 4.00pm Thursday 13th July 2023. Any vendors travelling long distances need to ensure they arrive well before this time as rams will need to be scanned on entry. The scanner is only allocated to the Dorper & White Dorper classes from 1pm to 4pm on the Thursday so we have limited time to get this task done. Any late arrivals need to notify a member of the DSSA show and sale committee so that alternative arrangements can be made.

All sheep will be checked for soundness of teeth, udder and testicles, by a qualified veterinarian. To ensure we maintain a high standard of animals, a visual inspection of the correctness of breed conformation will also be conducted by DSSA breed inspectors. Animals will be classed as fit or unfit for sale depending on the structural correctness of the animal. The animal must achieve a minimum Type 3 to remain in the sale. Typing is compulsory; however, you can choose not to have your animal tagged. This is left up to the vendor to instruct the committee at the time of classing.

All sale sheep will be classed, and lot branded before showing on Friday morning between 8am and 10am. Each stud is eligible to enter a maximum of 6 ewes and 6 rams; our target is to have approximately 100 high quality animals on sale. The sale committee will retain the right to increase or decrease the number of entries per stud to ensure we meet our entry requirements. Sale entries are **\$66 (Inc GST) per animal**.

The Bendigo Supreme Sale Entry classes are available for each breed section and sex. **If you are entering animals into this year's Bendigo Supreme Sale you must enter them in these classes ONLY**. These animals will still be able to be shown in their age-appropriate classes but to ensure that animals are only allocated one pen, they must only be entered into the sale classes. The reason for these classes is to help ease the confusion of pen allocation for organisers. Sale lot order will be based on vendor averages for the last 2 years for each breed and sex, the order of new vendors will be based on the date their entries are received.

Vendors have the option of providing photos to the DSSA to be put on the website and Facebook page. The catalogue will also be advertised on studstocksales.com and a link available on the DSSA website & Facebook pages, providing social media exposure of the sale. Please ensure you read the conditions of entry below carefully to ensure you meet all the requirements.

Yours Sincerely, Laura Teege Registrar DSSA

SALE ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY 12th JUNE 2023

1. Entry Requirements

- 1.1. Entries are limited to a maximum of 6 rams and 6 ewes per registered stud. (If you only pay one membership and you breed both Dorper and White Dorper the total entries allowed is from the combined Breeds).
- 1.2. Substitutes will be allowed up until Monday 11th July, these must be communicated to the staff at the scanning desk. No substitutes will be allowed past this date.
- 1.3. Ewes must be a minimum of 10 months of age at the time of the sale.
- 1.4. Rams Must be a minimum 10 months old with a recommended weight for age requirement as per below;
 - Ram with lambs teeth = 60kg
 - Ram with two teeth = 70kg
 - Ram with four or more teeth = 80kg.
 - NOTE: Loss of teeth or signs of eruption will put an animal up into the next weight category.

1.5 A lamb is an animal which does not have any permanent incisor teeth in wear.

2. Penning Requirements

- 2.1 Sheep are to be housed in their pens by 4.00pm Thursday 13th July 2023. Scanning of sale animals will be on 13th July 2023, Thursday afternoon between 1pm and 4pm,
- 2.2 All vendors will be responsible for unloading, penning and moving sheep to and from the scanning station.
- 2.3 All sale sheep classing will take place on Friday the 14th July 2023 between 8am-10am before the show starts.

3. Animal Requirements

- 3.1 Animals presented for sale must be bred by the Vendor and registered with the DSSA under the vendor's prefix.
- 3.2 Animals must be clean shorn with a maximum wool/hair length of 10mm. Due to the extreme cold weather during Winter, sheep do not have to be washed before the event.
- 3.3 All sheep must be tagged with an approved NLIS tag.
- **3.4** Ewes in the last trimester of pregnancy should not be brought to the sale, to maintain biosecurity Ewes must not lamb on the showgrounds.
- 3.5 Classing of all sale sheep is compulsory, tagging of the sale sheep is optional, please inform The committee at the time of classing.
- 3.6 All sale animals must be born between the 1st January 2021 and not after September 2022 to be eligible for the sale. (animals must be minimum of 10 months).

4. Health Status

- 4.1. All entries must be from a property with a non-infected status for Ovine Johnes Disease Only. Vaccinated animals from non-infected properties are allowed.
- 4.2. All rams must be from Ovine Brucellosis accredited flocks.
- 4.3. It is a condition of sale that all animals are negative to Ovine Dermatosparaxis (OD) and although testing is not compulsory it is a requirement that vendors will guarantee their animals free of (OD).
- 4.4. Sheep vaccinated with Gudair must have verification on the NLIS tag.
- 4.5. All entries must be free of lice and footrot.
- 4.6. It is the vendor's responsibility to ensure that all animals entered are sound and capable of reproduction. Any disputes in regard to animals reproductive capability is between the vendor and purchaser.

5. Sale Protocols

- 5.1. All Rams will be weighed and scanned Thursday afternoon.
- 5.2. The Sale Committee reserves the right to reject entry to the sale if an animal is considered unsound, in poor condition or unrepresentative of the Breed Standards. Any animals that do not meet this requirement will NOT be lot branded and will be withdrawn from the sale.
- 5.3. No Sale animals may be sold post the sale unless it goes through the nominated agent that is running the Southern Region Supreme Dorper and White Dorper sale.

- 5.4. Vendors and purchasers are responsible for checking the state regulations of moving animals between states.
- 5.5. Falls Livestock Transport will be in attendance and can act for all interstate purchases on the provision they are handling the transfer.
- 5.6. A 10% commission will be charged on all sales to cover the selling agent, Australian sheep and wool show and Southern Region commissions. Agent to be confirmed will be the sole agent. The contact will be **Agent to be confirmed**. A 1% rebate is offered to outside agents introducing buyers, in writing, 24 hours prior to the sale to the Agent to be confirmed and settling accounts on the purchaser's behalf. This cost will be shared across the board by all vendors.
- 5.7. Vendors are responsible for transferring registrations if required.
- 5.8. A meeting with the Vendors and Agent will be held prior to the sale to discuss upset price, reserves etc. Vendors can set their own reserves above the upset price.
- 5.9. Any breaches of sale protocol must be bought to the attention of the sale committee which could result in the offending stud not being able to participate in the Southern Region Sale for a period of 2 years. **The committee's decision will be final.**
- 5.10.All people attending the event will be required to follow Covid 19 protocols that are in force at the time of the event.

6. Paperwork Requirements

7. Important Dates

- 6.1 All animals must be registered with the DSSA prior to entry into the sale, registration of animals will be provided on the entry form. Registrations will be checked and unregistered animals will be withdrawn from the sale.
- 6.2 All lambs at foot must be registered.
- 6.3 Sale entry forms must be accompanied by all relevant health declarations.
- 6.4 All ewes that have undergone Embryo Transfer Surgery must be confirmed as scanned in lamb or have a lamb at foot.
- 6.5 An undated Copy of the National Vendors Declaration and sheep health statement must be sent to the selling agent prior to the event.
- 6.6 Return booking forms and deposit to DSSA office by 15/05/2023.
- 6.7 Return entry forms and payment to the DSSA office by 12/06/2023.
- 6.8 Entries will only be accepted on an official entry form.

15 th May 2023	Booking Forms to be returned to DSSA Office by Monday 15 th May.
12 th June 2023	Australian Sheep and Wool Show entry forms close. All sale sheep MUST be entered into the show for pen allocation requirements. Entry forms can be found at: https://www.sheepshow.com
12 th June 2023	Sale entries close.
ENTRIES CLOSE	Entry forms must be submitted to DSSA Office at <u>dorper@abri.une.edu.com</u>
	NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE PERMITTED.
24 th June 2023	Photos and advertising due. Send photos with file name stating lot number to DSSA Office at dorper@abri.une.edu.au
	If you have elected to place an advert in the catalogue, send an electronic pdf. Version to DSSA Office at <u>dorper@abri.une.edu.au</u>
29 th June 2023	Sale Catalogue Release