



Trade Mark of Excellence

Albury Wodonga Region Report March 2011

How often would you be happy with a carrier for making a late delivery, not too often? But such was the case when I called my carrier to pick up my clip for delivery to the last sale before Christmas recess. He missed the deadline. My wool was then catalogued for the first sale in the New Year in Melbourne with A.W.N. who fortunately were selling the last lots on the last day of sales.

The wool was valued on the previous sale with fleece lots valued at 1000 to 1100 cents. By the time that my wool sold at the end of the last day I received 1400 to 1500 cents.

Across the whole clip the rise was worth \$25,000 extra to me. So I was pretty happy that the carrier was late.

Some other members have also benefitted from the price increases, but unfortunately not all members yet.

Worms and flies have been a big issue to a lot of growers this season but with the promise of greater rewards we can afford to be spending more money on protection of our flocks.

With a wet summer and lack of dust in the wool I think it could be the first time some of our growers have ever produced spinner quality sound wool.

I don't know if any of our members have been affected by the recent flooding but we feel for those that have been and wish them the best for the coming year.

A number of members have joined a portion of their ewes to other breeds so it may take some time to get the superfine ewes joined and back to superfine again.

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