MINGENEW MIDWEST EXPO
14 & 15 AUGUST 2019

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Elders LIVESTOCK ARENA

Commercial Flock Ewe Competition

Do you have the best in the Midwest?

After a successful Livestock Competition come back in 2017, the Mingenew Midwest Expo Board of Management, would like to invite you to enter the Elders *"Commercial Flock Ewe Competition"* at this year's McIntosh & Son Mingenew Midwest Expo held on Wednesday 14th & Thursday 15th August 2019.

If you are interested in entering, **nominations are due by Friday 9th August 2019** to the Mingenew Midwest Expo office, accompanied by a fee of $20 per entry. A selection of 15 ewes are required for entry and transport of your livestock is available on request.

Attached with this letter are the Conditions of Entry and an Entry Form. Please ensure that you have read and understood the conditions and that your form is filled out in full to give the judges a complete picture of your operation.

We look forward to receiving your nomination and seeing you in Mingenew.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call :
Taryn Winter - Mingenew Midwest Expo Event Manager - 08 9928 1138

Kind Regards,

Taryn Winter
Event Manager

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DATE:	Wednesday 14th & Thursday 15th August
ENTRY CLOSING DATE:	Friday 9th August 2019
COMPETITION AREA:	Entries accepted from the Midwest Region of WA.
ENTRY FEE:	$20 per entry of 15 ewes.
DELIVERY TO SITE:	Option to have stock delivered to/from Farm/Expo. **Required: YES / NO**
PRIZE MONEY:	1st place $500 2nd place $250 3rd place $100
JUDGE:	Mike Henderson – Henderson's Shearing Contractors
JUDGING LOCATION:	At the Mingenew Midwest Expo, Mingenew Recreation Centre on Wednesday 14th August 2019.
JUDGING CRITERIA:	Judging will be carried out based on the following point system: Wool quantity for type Wool quality & character for type Conformation, Structure, Size for type Commercial Qualities Culling percentage
PRESENTATION:	Presentation of awards will be done on the exhibit site Wednesday 14th August 2019 at approx. 2pm.
ENQUIRIES:	Taryn Winter –Expo Event Manager - 08 9928 1138, admin@mmwe.com.au

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1. The entry Fee is $20.00.
2. A pen of **15** must be displayed at the McIntosh & Son Mingenew Midwest Expo from 8am – 5pm Wednesday 14th & Thursday 15th August 2019.
    a. Judging will commence at 9am
    b. Placings will be announced on Wednesday 14th August 2019 (2pm). All competitors are requested to be at the Elders Livestock Arena at that time for announcements and presentations.
    c. It is considered beneficial to breeders to be present to hear judging comments on breeding, etc.
3. Entrants will be required to provide some basic information regarding the sheep and property operation as per Entry Form details.
4. All ewes must come from a commercial mob, and owner bred. If the entrant also owns a registered stud it must be disclosed.
5. Livestock delivery / pickup:
    a. Stock pickup and delivery by Paul Starick Transport is available on request. If required, please indicate on your Entry Form.
    b. Livestock **must be delivered to the Mingenew Recreation Grounds by 7.30am Wednesday** 14th August 2019. Entries will not be accepted after 8am.
    c. Pens and loading ramps will be provided on the Expo grounds.
    d. If the Livestock Steward is not available at the time of delivery, please ensure your NVD and any relevant paperwork is dropped in the collection box onsite.
    e. Trucks/vehicles are to be parked well away from the display area after unloading.
6. A National Vendor Declaration must be provided prior to displaying livestock at the show.
    a. **IMPORTANT:** On your NVD where it states the Consignment to/Destination please ensure you write: **Mingenew Midwest Expo, Mingenew Recreation Grounds AND RETURN 15/08/19**
7. 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 Midwest WA region.
8. 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.

All entrants are to supply breeding aims and objectives - attached.

9. Entrants will be responsible for the attitude of their animals in a public arena.
10. **Animal welfare: the owner will**
    a. **need to supply their own feed and water container (water available on site).**
    b. be responsible for the welfare and care of their animals throughout the event.
    c. be responsible for the attitude of their animals in a public arena.

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11. Sheep entered in the competition must not carry more than twelve months wool.
    a. Rugging and/or pampering of sheep included in the entry is not allowed.
    b. 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.
12. 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.
13. Exhibitors shearing after 1st 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 exhibitor's top five these should be a random selection.
14. 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.
15. **All decisions and judgments made by the committee will be final.**

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Flock Ewe Competition

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ENTRY FORM - entries close 9th August 2019

TRADING NAME			
PROPERTY NAME			
CONTACT NAME			
ADDRESS			
PHONE		**EMAIL**	

2018 – Ewes joined to Merinos: _____ Merino Lambs Marked: _____Lambs Weaned: _____
2017 – Ewes joined to Merinos: _____ Merino Lambs Marked: _____Lambs Weaned: _____
2016 – Ewes joined to Merinos: _____ Merino Lambs Marked: _____Lambs Weaned: _____

Number 2018 drop of Maiden ewes for inspection: _____
% Classed out: _____ Classed by: _____
Lambing Date: _____ Shearing Date: _____
Bloodline of Ewes: _____

Ram source for the last 5 years: _____
F.D. of Fleece Line: 2018 _____ 2017 _____ 2016 _____
F.D. of Hogget Line: 2018 _____ 2017 _____ 2016 _____

I have completed the entry form in full and agree to the Conditions of Entry:

Name _____ **Signed** _____ **Date** _____

Please send completed entry forms with payment to;

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or

Email: admin@mmwe.com.au
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BSB 086-937 ACCOUNT: 11-637-0492
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Please also complete and return the next page

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Property Name: _____

Please answer the following questions. This information will be passed onto the judges.

Question 1. Please describe any seasonal and/or animal health challenges that you have faced with this drop of ewes?

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Question 2. Please detail the supplementary feeding regime, if any, that these ewes have had since weaning?

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Question 3. Please give details of your joining programme i.e. traditional or A.I., proportion of A.I. if used, length of joining etc.? _____
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Question 4. Do you pregnancy scan your ewes? If so, what were the conception rates and twinning percentages? _____
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Question 5. How would you describe your breeding goal/objective with your flock?

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Question 6. Do you have any other comments or observations that we may find useful?

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