



Bald as Kojak for shearing

AN opportunity in the WA sheep breeding market has been identified by BreedersBEST to include non-shearing genetics in its suite of packages.

And the resulting composite breed from the company's research has been aptly branded the Kojak after the bald 1970s TV detective.

It is widely recognised that sheep producing no or minimal amounts of wool and shedding their fleece annually will significantly reduce on-farm labour needs.

Until recently, the choice of

non-shearing sheep breeds has been limited, however BreedersBEST has introduced a composite range to its suite of non-shearing breeds, heralding an unprecedented genetic opportunity to sheep producers.

Composite breeds have benefited the New Zealand sheep industry and by comparison, Australia has been slow to take up this advantage.

The process of combining the preferred attributes of different breeds and the resulting hybrid vigour has

seen composite breeds with an emphasis purely on production now dominate livestock breeding systems worldwide.

Apart from the obvious gains through hybrid vigour, non-shearing composite genetics from BreedersBEST are claimed to deliver:

- Increased fertility and fecundity
- Improved larger carcasses with less fat
- Improve structural conformation, especially feet
- Increased rate of shedding (less generations required to

achieve total shedding)

- Easier confinement

Its philosophy is to source the best genetics available (irrespective of breed) to support the aims and objectives as set by an independent breeding panel.

BreedersBEST aims to produce an easy care sheep requiring minimal labour input, while maximising lamb production profitability.

The composite genetics program is now in its third year, building on a foundation of the best available White Dorper and Wiltipoll genetics.

NEPOWIE

Noman's Lake via Narrogin

Cameron is looking forward to catching up with all new & prospective clients at

**Mingenew Expo
September 20 & 21**

On display

Narrogin Ram Sale team leaders

**Narrogin Ram Sale -
Friday, October 5
100 Poll Merino Rams**

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An example of the composite breed developed by BreedersBEST which has been aptly branded the Kojak.

Royston SAMM

**On-property Field Day
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
10.30am-5.00pm**

On display:

- Stud rams for pre-sale selection
- Stud ewes
- Commercial first cross Prime SAMM ewes with White Dorper cross, first cross Prime SAMM lambs at foot

All sheep registered with Sheep Genetics Australia with LambPlan ASBV's and Indexes Both studs Accredited Brucellosis free

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Royston White Dorper

**Inaugural On-property Sale
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
Inspection from 1.00pm
Sale commences 3.00pm**

On offer:

- 40 Prime SAMM rams
- 25 White Dorper rams

792 Cameron Road, Jerramungup WA 6337
(13km NE town, turn left 5km east of town onto Cameron Road)