

Curlew Creek sells ram lamb for \$10,000

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THE Garnett family's Curlew Creek Poll Dorset stud, Gnowangerup, not only had a day out in the Poll Dorset judging ring at last week's IGA Perth Royal Show, it also sold a half share in a ram lamb for \$10,000 during the week.

The well-grown ram caught the eye of Steve, Ros and Greg Funke, Bundara Downs stud, Bordertown, South Australia and following negotiations through Landmark Breeding representative Roy Addis the sale was complete.

Mr Funke said it was the outlook and presence of the ram lamb which really caught their eye.

"He is in a league of his own as far as his presence is concerned, he just commands you look at him," Mr Funke said.

"In addition to his outlook he also has an impressive length of loin and good muscling in the rear end.

"He also has a really balanced set of figures but we think his greatest attribute is his traits to finish trade lambs relatively quickly."

The Funke family has used semen from the ram lamb's sire in its operation in the past and has achieved pleasing results which was another reason reason why they were so keen to purchase the lamb.

The June 2017-drop ram lamb, which is by Curlew Creek 1626-15 and out of Curlew Creek 203-14, has LambPlan figures of 0.54 BWT, 11.6 WWT, 16.7 PWWT, -0.4 PFAT and 3.3 PEMD.

When it comes to its index values it has figures of 224.4 for CarcasePlus and



□ The Curlew Creek Poll Dorset stud, Gnowangerup, sold a \$10,000 half share in this ram lamb to the Bundara Downs stud, Bordertown, South Australia. With the ram lamb are buyer Steve Funke (left), Curlew Creek principal Collyn Garnett and Landmark Breeding representative Roy Addis, who negotiated the sale.

116.7 for Lamb2020.

In the Poll Dorset judging it won its class for ram lambs, born after April 1, weaned and shorn in front of eight other lambs.

In this class it carried scan

figures of 41mm eye muscle depth and 3.5mm fat and weighed 88 kilograms.

As part of the sale the Curlew Creek stud has retained 50 per cent semen share and marketing rights.

Yonga Downs
White Suffolk Stud

Curlew Creek
POLL DORSET STUD

▲ YONGA DOWNS – Tag no. 386
First placed White Suffolk ram lamb

▲ YONGA DOWNS – Tag no. 55
Champion White Suffolk lamb

▲ CURLEW CREEK
Tag no. 9
Ram lamb sold for \$10,000
to Bundara Downs stud, South Australia

ALL THE
BOXES
TICKED

- ✓ BWT
- ✓ WWT
- ✓ PWWT
- ✓ PFAT
- ✓ PEMD

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