



Don & John have been busy compiling a large number of pregnancy scan records from our seed stock flocks. Totalling many thousands these will be added to the Sheep Genetics database and will soon add accuracy to the important trait of **Number of Lambs Weaned**. We believe this will be a major boost to this hard and slow to measure trait.



Congratulations to Don on being invited to join the SGA advisory committee. Twice a year his trips to Sydney involve operational and strategic issues relating to the national sheep genetic program. To date much of this has been wool / merino focused but he assures us that he is keeping lamb production firmly on the agenda. Please contact him if you wish to further agenda items.



Oaklea is currently busy tagging newborn lambs and reports that they already have '500 in the book' to date. Cashmore Park will begin with AI lambs on the 12th of August and looks forward to taking our combined tally to 2000 again. These will be Maternals, Terminals and Nudies all run in combined management groups.



Cashmore Oaklea recently held a successful innovations forum with clients seeking feedback as to which direction we could provide support and deliver services to you. One of the outcomes is interest in potential benefits from use of electronic identification technology, EID. Currently we are researching and trialing this with EID tags going into lambs in the coming weeks. These will then be monitored for carcass attributes and females for lifetime performance.



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