

# Flock Ewe Competition (F.E.C.)

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Awards presented in conjunction with Merino Sheep Awards,  
at the Show on Saturday, 2nd March 2024 at approx. 3.00 pm.

**Please adhere to current COVID-19 safe practices and follow all government regulations when placing your entries and visiting our show.**

## **Trophies/Prizes for Flock Ewe Competition**

Prizes given for 1st - 5th placegetters

Encouragement Trophy/Prize

People's Choice Prize

**At the time of printing, a finalised list of Prizes for this section was not made available. Please contact the Secretary for this information.**

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## **CLASSES:**

**1301: Autumn/Winter** lambing is completed by 1<sup>st</sup> July, and the ewes can display 4 teeth

**1302: Winter/Spring** lambing where no ewes can display more than 2 teeth

**NB - The winner of Class 1302 is eligible for the Southern Tablelands Flock Ewe Competition (STFEC) to be held in March 2024. Further details will be given to qualifying entrants.**

## **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

1. 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.
2. Sheep entered in the competition must not carry more than twelve months' wool. Rugging and/or pampering of sheep included in the entry are not allowed. If, in the opinion of the judges, other non-commercial practice has been carried out, they may disqualify that entrant from participation in that competition.
3. The judge's decision is final.
4. To compete, all "classed in" maiden merino ewes are to be of the same drop and display the current year's colour tag. A minimum of 50 ewes are required to compete.
5. Flocks will be judged on the following scale:
  - Commercial qualities
  - Conformation
  - Structure
  - Size for type
  - Culling percentage
  - Presentation
  - Wool quality and character for type

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- Wool quantity for type
6. An entry form for the competition should be given to the Chief Steward on the initial day of judging and is to be made available to the Show Secretary. A fee of \$50 will be charged to assist in covering costs and **payment must accompany the entry form**. Entries may be paid by direct deposit – **prior to the competition** – to the Boorowa Show Society  
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  7. On the day of judging all maiden ewes must be presented as one mob in a yard with access to a drenching race. The judges will instruct when to fill the race for further inspection.
  8. All entrants (or a representative) are required to attend the presentation at the nominated venue on the evening of the competition.
  9. Any person, partnership, or company, who is a registered stud of the N.S.W Stud Merino Breeders Association or who has bred and then sold or traded merino rams to another merino enterprise within the last five years, will be ineligible to enter the championship.
  10. If joining is in progress the exhibitor may leave the Rams in if they desire.
  11. A 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.
  12. All decisions and judgments made by the judges will be final.
  13. Any flock judged to be in the top 5 flocks in that year's competition must be prepared to exhibit 10 ewes from that flock on the main day of the Boorowa Show (Saturday).

**Please Note** A vendor declaration must be submitted to the secretary before unloading these representative sheep or they will not be considered part of the competition.

**A bus will be available for travel between properties on judging day. Departure time to be advised.**