

AUGUST 2025

BLACKDALE STUD UPDATE

As the year rushes past and we head into the busy season we hope everyone is fit and well.

It is encouraging to see conditions and markets looking favourable. The rise in schedule from late 2024 through to mid 2025 is just what the industry needed after two very substandard years. The experts are picking strong lamb and beef pricing going forward. All too often we have seen big prices followed by a crash some 12 months later. So it is good to know that international supply is low and that other proteins are also at high price levels.

Domestically the continued decrease in stock numbers due to both dumb government policy settings around tree 'carbon' farms and economics is really putting a sharp edge in suppliers favour.

There is no question that a shake up in both the wool and meat trade is coming. Alliance will be a major change but other entities will need to adjust to reduced numbers and also allow for higher average weights if we are to maximize the stock that are available.

Here at Blackdale we think the genetics we have developed are well suited to the option of lambs finished well into the mid 20kg zone. We have attached the latest genetic trends graphs for our flocks.

HIGHLIGHTS

May

Attending the Century Farm Awards in Lawrence. A great event and in a wonderful part of New Zealand.



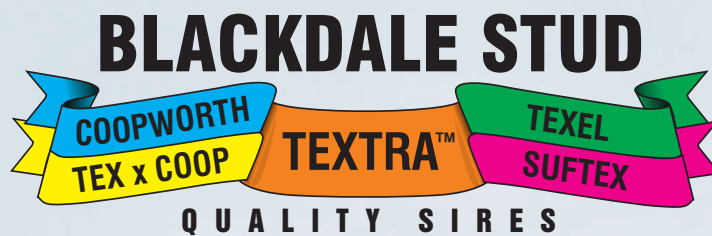
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2025 Century Farm Awards in Lawrence



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Winter Grazing stock

HIGHLIGHTS CONT.

June

Having one of the best weather winters for a long time! Our thoughts go out to Tasman and those further north but the South had a terrible weather year in 2024 so we are due a better season.

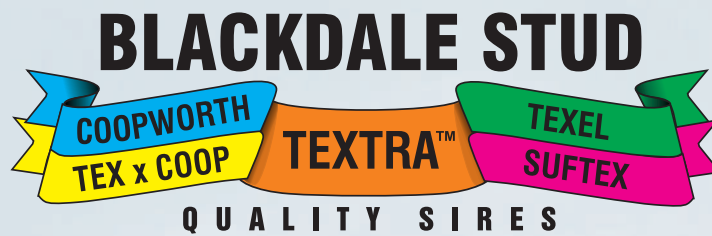
July

The National Final of the FMG Young Farmer of the Year. It was great to see a well run event that showcases the best in Agriculture and people. The competition was held at both Winton/Invercargill. The national final was awesome and should be a TV event as it's far more iconic than some of the crap that NZ on Air wastes with tax payer money. Congratulations to all the organisers and to Hugh Jackson and the other contestants.



Maggie and Jessica congratulating Hugh Jackson - National Winner of the 2025 FMG Young Farmer of the Year at Stadium Southland, Invercargill





July cont.

At the end of the month after a hard slog to get there, the Milnes Transport Riverton Rugby Club Senior team won the CJ Soper Division 2 cup and final against Waikiwi. It's great to see the big crowds and country rugby in good heart – well done team.

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The team at Blackdale would like to wish all our clients the best for spring and look forward to catching up soon.

Kind regards

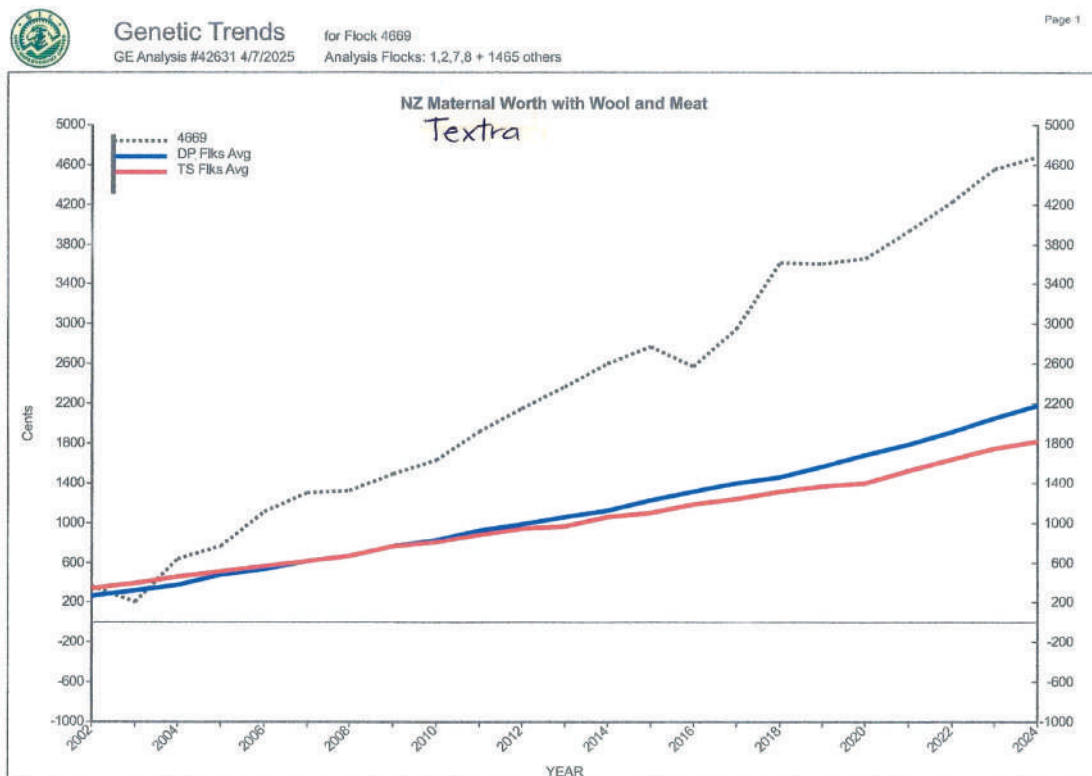
Leon and Wendy Black



Milnes Transport Riverton Rugby Club Senior Team. All lined up after a successful win against Waikiwi in the final. Proud winners of the CJ Soper Division 2 Cup - 2 seasons in a row.

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The Textra flock is more than twice the NZ maternal Flocks Genetics

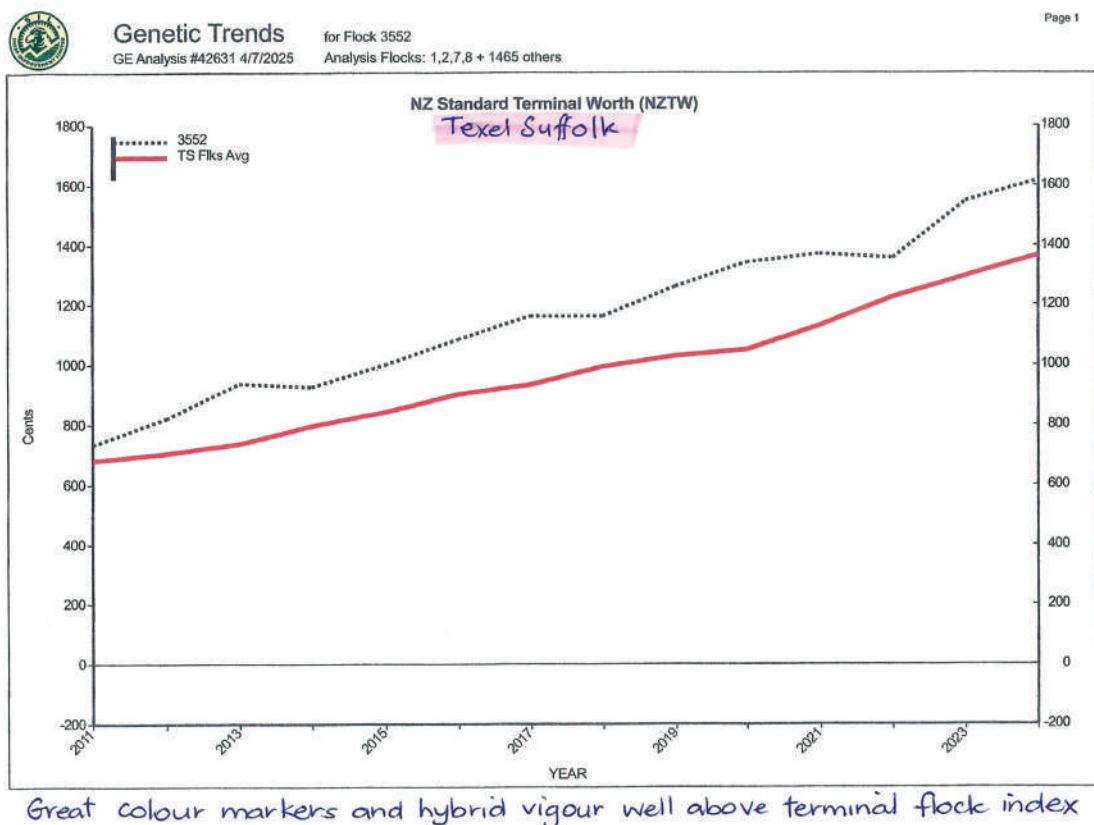
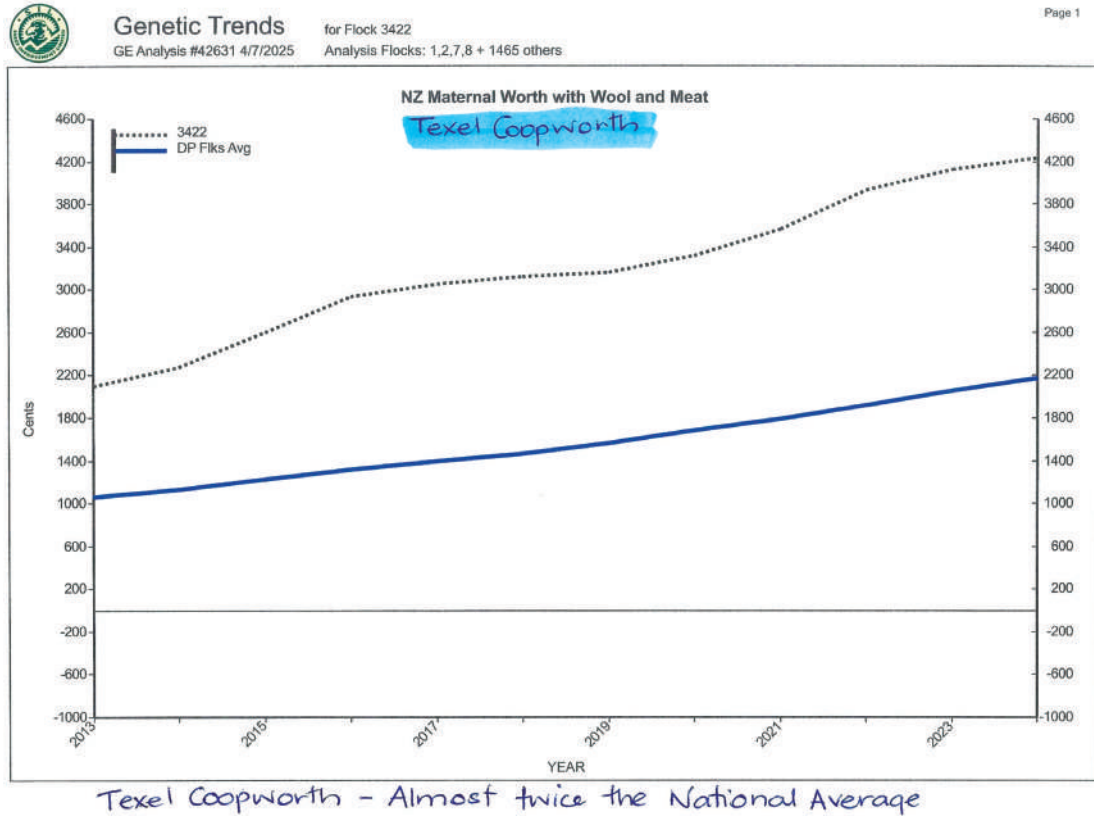
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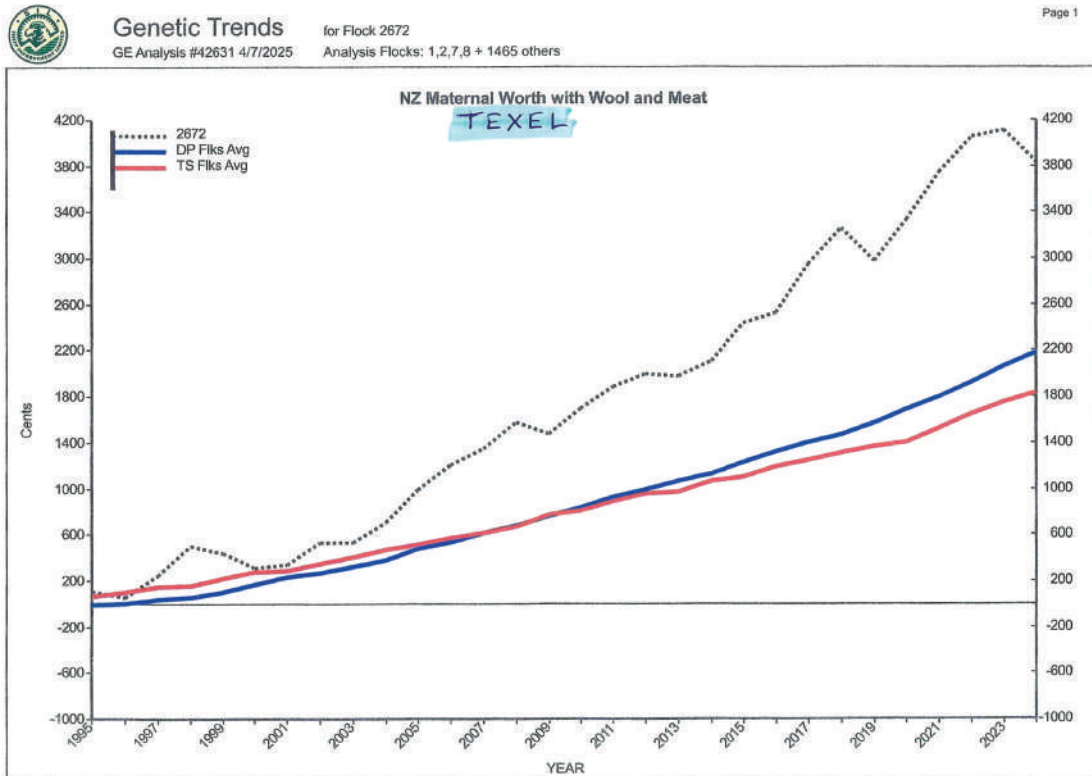
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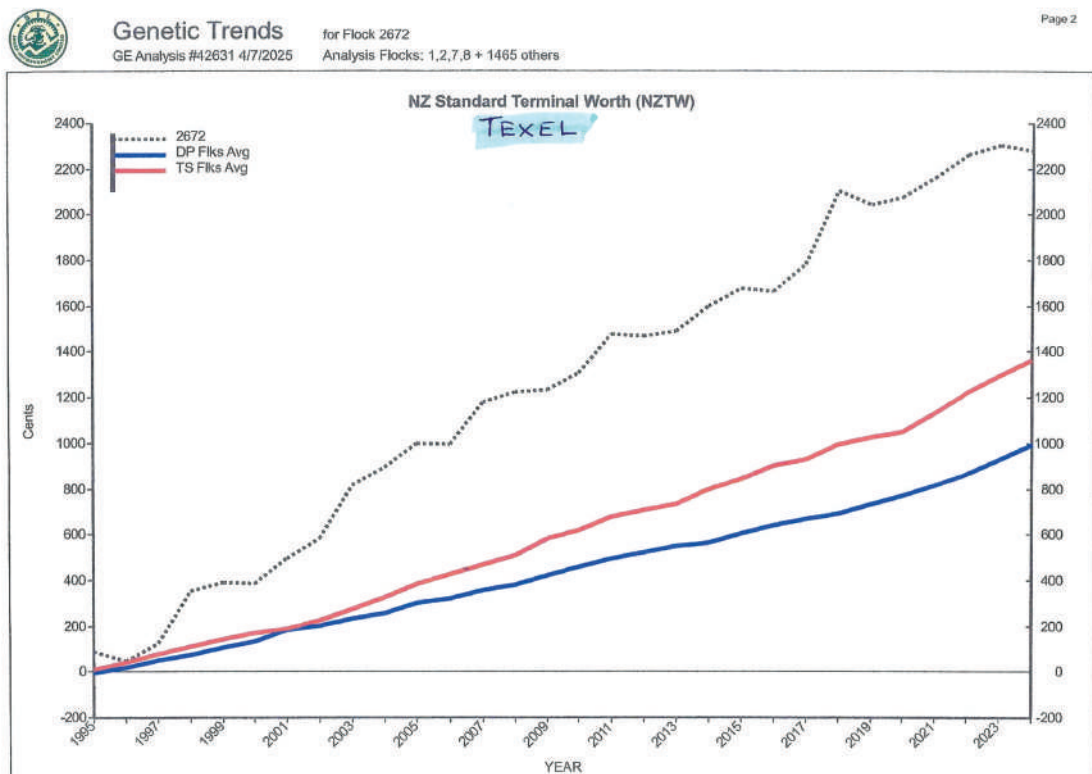
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High Index showing the results of Fertility and Growth selection



70% higher Terminal Index than average flocks