

WINONA

KELPIE PUP COMPETITION



(Dog shown is not actual prize)

Win 'JACK'

An internationally renowned 'Winona' bred kelpie pup valued at \$600.

Jack will make the perfect sheep or cattle dog, and be a loyal friend for life!

To help him get straight to work you will receive a free copy of "Working Dogs" by Colin Seis, a comprehensive guide to dog training.



To go into the draw to win 'Jack' simply fill in an entry form and place it in the TWG box provided

The competition will be drawn by a TWG representative at Winona's On Property Ram Sale, November 2004.



For terms and conditions please see entry form, or visit the Winona website www.winona.net.au

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At Last, Shearing Over

Despite rain interruptions Winona has cut 15,000 kilograms of wool during this shearing with a average of over six kilograms per adult sheep.

As always, if you want it to rain "start shearing" but the rain was welcome overall helping both pastures and crops.

Winona normally cuts 20-25,000 kilograms of wool but with ongoing drought conditions a planned reduction in stock numbers has given a reduced total clip volume. As usual, the sheep were all micron tested previously and the sheep were shorn in micron groups and baled as shorn in their in lots ranging from 17-20 micron.

Jason Seis is shown classing.



Winona Ram Sale Almost Here



A day for your diary is Wednesday November 3rd. It's the Winona On-Property Ram Sale. Yes we know, it's the day after the Melbourne Cup so bring your hangover as well.

We are also drawing the Winona Kelpie Pup Competition. So if you have an entry submitted you may be taking "Jack" the pup home with you. If you don't have an entry submitted then do it now. They are also on the website.

The ram sale is again a helmsman sale. Some details of the rams on sale is further into this newsletter.

Don't Forget—Winona On-Property Ram Sale November 3, 2004

Snippets from other sources

From the AWTA August newsletter.

“Perceptive Sheep

Once again the new scientist magazine has published an article with a woolly subject (New Scientist 12 June 2004)

Did you know that sheep are remarkably good at recognising both sheep and human faces—an ability that suggests a level of social; sophistication way beyond that for which they are usually accredited. Research by Babraham Institute in Cambridge UK suggest that they can also distinguish between different expressions in humans and can detect changes in the in the faces of anxious sheep. They prefer smiling human faces to angry ones.

Clearly while well down the cognitive ladder, sheep are not as dim witted as their public image suggests. Perhaps there are lessons in this for all handlers of sheep, including stockman, rouseabouts, shearers and meatworks employees. For more information see: [Www.bi.bbsrc.ac.uk/research/neurobiology/cognitive.htm](http://www.bi.bbsrc.ac.uk/research/neurobiology/cognitive.htm)

Orange National Field Days

Once again Winona is going to have a display of wool and kelpies at the Orange Field Days. The dates are October 19-21. We will have Winona Kelpie Stud pups for sale over those days.

We will also be doing sheep handling and dog training exhibition at various times over the field days.

Colin back from Norway

Colin Seis has just returned from a dog training sojourn to Norway that was partially funded by the Norwegian government.

During this time sixty working dogs were trained or improved in the clinics that were conducted in four different parts of Norway.

One of the dog training clinics in Norway



Sales of Winona Kelpies escalates

Nicholas Seis is now on Winona as a full time kelpie Stud manager and trainer. He is training kelpies to order and able to supply these as well started to fully trained.

There is generally a waiting list for fully trained kelpies. So, the sooner you contact us with your needs, the sooner we can begin to develop your dog. Prices range from \$550 for young pups to \$2,200 for fully trained kelpies. Talk to us to discuss other pricing and levels of training.

Winona On-Property Ram Sale—Wednesday Nov. 3rd 2004

Rams for Sale at the Winona Ram On Property Auction.

This year we will be offering approximately 40 rams. About half of these will be hogget rams.

The rams are March 2004 shorn and were micron tested in September 2004. All these rams are of the type for which Winona has become recognized Australia wide. That is **bold crimping heavy cutting fine wools**. We have been breeding towards even



Pasture Cropping—An Update

This photographic sequence shows an emerging “Echidna” oats crop that have been pasture cropped ie sown zero tilled directly into existing pastures with minimum herbicide. Note the presence of native grasses and pin rushes.

Colin has been consulting on a number of properties on all aspects of pasture, cropping and grazing management and those land holders are reporting back with excellent results and with very low input costs.

Below shows the same crop which is expected to yield 25 bags per acre before the expected grasshopper invasion.



bigger framed animals to give an even more increased carcass size as well as the obvious benefit of a heavier wool cut per animal.

Inspections will be from 1 pm and the sale will be conducted by TWG and will begin at 3 pm. During the sale, the Winona Kelpie Pup Competition will be drawn by a TWG representative. Catalogues by request or at the sale.



Don't forget the ram sale—the day after Melbourne Cup day