

BOBINGAH PTY LTD – CASE STUDY

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Annual Rainfall: 600 mm

Soil Type: basalt

Since 1990 Richie has been managing the family agricultural business on the Monaro, in conjunction with his father and brother. This operation runs 50,000 sheep and 5,000 beef cattle on 18,000 ha on the Monaro and South West Slopes.

Photo – Site 1



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	Year 1	Year 2
Site 1 – Lucerne pasture	2 grazing's	2 grazing's
Lwt Gain (kg/ha)	209	253
NET Benefit (\$/ha)	498	651
Total Variable Cost (\$/ha)	143	156
Profit (\$/ha/yr)	355	495
Average Net Profit (\$/ha/yr)	425	

Note: Year 1 was just 1st X lambs and in Year 2, both 1st X and 2nd X lambs were grazed in rotations

Land area devoted to lamb finishing – 10%

Changes to be made as a result of PDS

- Record more livestock and pasture data ie.
 - Insert EID tags and use recording software
 - Weigh lambs on and off finishing systems
 - Take a mid-grazing weight where applicable
- Increase the amount of land area (ha) devoted to lamb finishing
- Increase the number of lambs the business aims to finish
- Add supplementation into our systems

Comments

“The changes made to the lamb enterprise as a result of this PDS, I would estimate has the potential to increase lamb finishing enterprise net profit by 25% ie. an increase from \$400/ha to \$500/ha.”

Photos – Richie Taylor (below) and pasture pre and post grazing (right)

