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COMBINATION POUR-ON FOR CATTLE



Scott Baker

PROPERTY:

Yetman, NSW

MAIN FARMING ACTIVITIES:

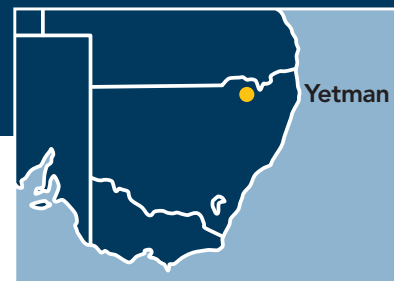
Shorthorn Cattle and Sheep

SIZE OF THE ENTERPRISE:

Approx 7,500 Hectares

NUMBER OF CATTLE:

800



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Scott Baker and his wife Hannah, together with Scott's parents, run Doonkami, a dry-land cotton, cattle and sheep breeding operation at Boggabilla near the NSW border with Queensland. The 7,500 acre property runs 400 shorthorn breeders and 400 weaners who they take through to killable weight.

They also run 400 or so Australian white sheep. Scott's parents inherited the property from his grandparents about 7 years ago.

"I was a bit suspicious about the look of the cattle. Production was down and the weight gains just weren't there, so I wondered whether worms might be the problem. I wanted to get to the bottom of it, so I sent off a worm test."

"When we got the results back we thought there must be a mix-up and asked if they were for sheep – I'd never even heard of them being so high in cattle before! So yeah, the worm burden was pretty out of control. We wondered whether resistance might be an issue," Scott explains.

To investigate, Scott ran a drench trial in his weaner cattle with four different drench groups including a group that was treated with dual-acting ECLIPSE Combination Pour-On.

"We could clearly see from the tests that the performance of ECLIPSE was better than the other drenches and it really showed in the condition of the cattle as well. We noticed in the yard the ECLIPSE animals always seemed to be near the front and always

were first through any work we were doing with them. With our reporting system we immediately saw a greater weight gain in the ECLIPSE treated cattle compared to those treated with other trialled drenches."

"We knew then what product to use and we introduced ECLIPSE throughout the herd. The look of the animals improved immediately. It wasn't just the weight gain but their coats looked healthier and they just looked a lot happier."

"ECLIPSE was the only drench in the trial that was dual-acting and therefore able to kill worms that may have resistance to single active drenches.* I think for that reason, it has huge benefits. Really there's nothing else on the market like it," he says.

Scott's friends and neighbours were interested in his drench trial and began speculating about which would perform best on their own properties. "They've called and asked how our trial went and I've readily been recommending ECLIPSE to them based on the weight gains and overall success we've had with it."

"Discovering the drench resistance problem we had in our cattle and what that was costing us in lost production has been a real eye opener for us. It's a huge relief to have uncovered the problem and to have found such an effective solution with ECLIPSE."

