

Local demand for Coopworth rams

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56 of 60 rams offered sold to \$2000, av \$1125

THE rising popularity of the Coopworth was evident at the breed's national ram sale in Hamilton on Monday.



Tim and Amelia Johnston, Waradgery with Mark Templeton who purchased eight rams, including seven Waradgery lots and the two top priced Coopworths.

Strong local support resulted the multi-vendor sale peaking at \$2000 and a clearance of 56 of 60 rams sold.

The top price was paid twice by Mark Templeton, Tahara Bridge, for two sons of Boonerah offered by Waradgery, Brit Brit.

They were in the breed's top 1 per cent for fertility with a recorded 19pc numbers of lambs weaned.

Waradgery principal Tim Johnston said the sale offered rams at the top end of the objective maternal performance recording index.

Mr Johnston sold 14 rams to av \$1243 while vendors John Keiller, Cashmore Park, Cashmore, sold 12 rams to \$1600, av \$1317, and Don and Ann Pegler, Oaklea, Mt Gambier, SA, sold 12 to \$1800, av \$967.

Steve Parker, South West Genetics, Mortlake, sold seven to av \$1214.