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## OUR HISTORY

Diploma Agriculture – Lincoln 1984.

Purchased 181 ha Balfour 1984/sold in 1993.

Purchased Kowai - 210 ha in 1993

Ancare Clutha Sheep Farmer of the Year – 2000.

Leased additional 210 ha in 2000.

Purchased 2 river flat blocks – 40 ha in 2003/2007.

Purchased “Wohelo Ltd” – 1360 ha in 2004.

South Island Farmer of the Year/Lincoln University  
Foundation, 2005 – Lamb Producer/Finishing.

Purchased lease block -210 ha 2008.

Lease & purchase of Mt Allen Ltd 780 ha – 9000 su in 2008.

Ewe Hogget Competition –National winner 2010.



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THE BUSINESS – 2010-2011

- » 2500 ha effective.
- » 19000 ewes to the ram, lambing @ 145% average.
- » 5300 hoggets.
- » 250 MA cows.
- » 200 R1 cattle.
  
- » Wintering 11 su/ha.

GFI	\$1400/ha	\$130/su
FWE	\$ 600/ha	\$ 55/su
EFS	\$ 800/ha	\$ 75/su

Targeting 17-19 kg lambs to Silver Fern Farms, processing/marketing co-operative.





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## **How have Farmers Responded to a Changing Agricultural Environment??**

- Farm Discussion groups and Monitor Farms.
  - Easy care ewe flock.
- Targeted fertiliser application.
- Water quality/Nutrient run off.
  - Winter feed.
  - Re-grassing.
  - Drainage.



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## KEYS TO SUCCESS

- Simple Farming Systems.
  - Work/Play Balance.
    - Goal setting.
  - Succession Planning.
  - Professional Support.
- Management and Staff.
  - Efficient ewes.
  - Contractors.



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