



LIQUIDS COST-EFFECTIVE CHOICE FOR TOP-DRESSING PASTURE



Stoller
Unleashing The Power Of Plants

THE SITUATION

Caught short on time for top dressing pastures with single superphosphate

THE SOLUTION

Investigate efficiency of Stoller's ClearStart 15KZ+N

THE OUTCOME

Quick, easy and cost-effective top-dressing

**"SPRAYING STOLLER'S
CLEARSTART 15KZ+N SAVED
THE KOPPS TIME AND MONEY.
ONE BLOKE AND A BOOM SPRAY
AND THE JOB'S DONE IN HALF THE
TIME THAT SPREADING WOULD TAKE."**

Barry Unger, Stoller Australia

THE SITUATION

The award-winning Towalba Merino Stud is renowned for some of the most productive sheep in Australia. Run by brothers Garry and Warick Kopp, the stud is located near Peak Hill in the Central West of New South Wales. More than 15 000 head of sheep are grazed on improved and native pastures on heavy black soils and the sought after bloodline boasts large frames and productive skins with soft crimped wool.

A wet start in 2013 left the Kopp brothers short on time for top-dressing their medic and sub-clover pastures with traditional single super phosphate. With shearing looming, their local Stoller Australia representative gave the brothers another option.

THE SOLUTION

After talking to Barry Unger, Stoller Australia's Central/Northern NSW Territory Manager, the Koppes ordered Stoller's ClearStart 15KZ+N. Shuttles were delivered on farm by a local dealer the next day, saving on freight and avoiding the need for the Koppes to truck in single super with their road train.

The Koppes used liquids on around 200 hectares and also set up a comparison trial. The Koppes used their boom spray to apply Stoller's ClearStart 15KZ+N at 15 L/ha to several strips in a 60 acre paddock, treating about 20 acres in the paddock in total. Stoller's Cropping Zinc Chelate was also used in some strips. Although it was too dry to see a visual difference in pasture growth or vigour, the stock clearly preferred the strips treated with the liquid products. Due to the dry conditions the pastures only got to around two inches tall, but Garry estimates they got as much production out of the 20 acres they treated as they did from the remaining 40 acres.

The time saved was by far the main advantage for the Koppes in using Stoller's liquid products. Although Stoller's ClearStart 15KZ+N is slightly more expensive than single super, this up-front cost was offset by being able to use the boom spray for top-dressing. Application was so much quicker and easier than using the spreader – Warick was able to do in a day and a half what it would've taken two people twice as long to do.

The results from their trials with Stoller's ClearStart 15KZ+N were so promising that the Koppes will use it again this year for top-dressing their pastures. They're also interested in using liquid fertilisers in their broadacre crops and are looking forward to trialling Stoller's liquid fertilisers in a reasonable year.



THE OUTCOME

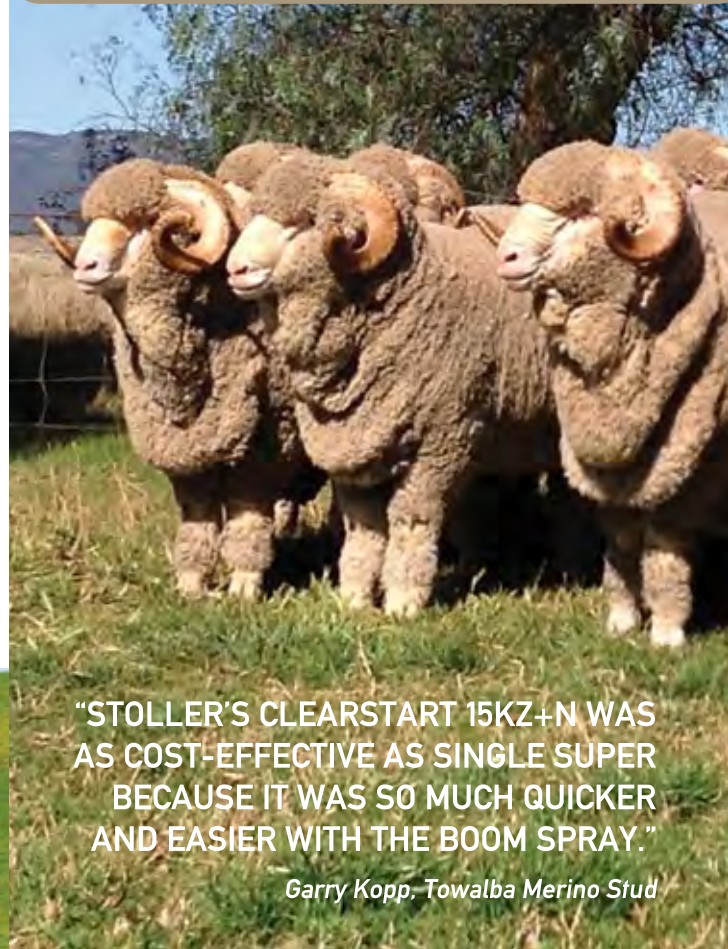
Using Stoller's liquid fertiliser products saved the Koppes the time, money and hassle of using their road train, loader and spreader to source and spread fertiliser. With shearing looming and time running out, they were able to top-dress pastures quickly, easily and cost-effectively. The Koppes also noticed that their stock clearly preferred to graze in the areas where Stoller's ClearStart 15KZ+N had been sprayed.

Your local representative is:



"EVERY TIME I WENT INTO THE Paddock THE STOCK WERE ON THE AREAS WE'D SPRAYED WITH CLEARSTART – THEY ATE THOSE STRIPS BARE!"

Garry Kopp, Towalba Merino Stud



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Garry Kopp, Towalba Merino Stud

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