
NATIONAL AUCTION SELLING COMMITTEE

Summary of Outcomes: Meeting NASC90-2026
Thursday 28 May, 2:00PM AEST
Online Conference

N90/26/1.0 PRESENT

Les Targ	Chairman
Danny Burkett	West Seller (Alternate)
Max Foley	West Buyer (Alternate)
Paul Harmer	South Buyer
Andrew Mills	North Seller
Peter Morris	Large Buyer
Emma Reynolds	South Seller
Ben Stace	Large Seller
Tom Watson	North Buyer (Alternate)
Andrew Rickwood	Secretary
Kate Gowdie	Secretary (Alternate/Minute)

APOLOGIES – Peter Brice, Paul Foley, Danny Ryan

WELCOME

Chair welcomed alternate committee members and all in attendance. The Chair outlined committee member expectations for all new attendees. The Chair officially welcomed Andrew Rickwood as the new secretary following David Cother's departure. The Chair acknowledged the input, guidance and support from David Cother over many years and shared his personal thanks and gratitude for David's contribution. The Chair wished David well on behalf of all committee members.

GUESTS

NIL

N90/26/2.0 MINUTES PREVIOUS MEETINGS

NASC89 Accepted with no amendments.

ACTION ITEMS (Last meeting and yet to complete)

Item ID	Description/Action/Comment	Status
N88-4.0	Establishment of a Show Floor Utilisation Working Group - Terms of reference to be drafted. Working group to be convened (DC)	In progress
N89-5.0	NASC to write to National Council of Wool Selling Brokers Australia and the Private Treaty Merchants Association, to recommend Centre Code+P+Week Number as a Sale ID for identifying private sale catalogues (e.g. MP22 – Melbourne Private Week 22).	Complete

N90/26/3.0 TRANSPARENCY IN CERIFICATION COSTS (RWS)

The committee received a submission on behalf of the Large Buyer representative, asking the committee to discuss Transparency in Certificate costs for RWS.

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It was requested that brokers make the scope certificate number mandatory when transmitting RWS lots. In some cases, wool listed in the catalogue as RWS was later found not to hold valid RWS certification. When this happens, the wool must be removed from transport or storage and repacked, resulting in significant cost. Any resulting claims may also be passed on to brokers. It was also noted that multiple issuers may provide traceability certificates for RWS wool. If the issuer is identified, buyers may be able to purchase from their preferred issuer and reduce certificate costs.

OUTCOME: Chair proposed that NASC sends a letter to industry to encourage scope certificate numbers be used in all transmissions to prevent costs associated of noncertified RWS wool being sold as certified. NASC will continue to discuss at next meeting to determine if it should be mandatory and how that would be implemented? The committee was advised that Scope certificate number is a grower record not a lot record and requires automation in Talman to automatically transfer the data and prevent manual entry.

ACTION(S) All NASC reps asked to consult constituents. The Large Seller Representative will confirm with his constituents that they are comfortable with the required development in Talman if the requirement for a scope certificate becomes mandatory. Decision to be made at NASC91, add this to NASC91 agenda.

N90/26/4.0 WSP - Proposed Update for Goulburn

Should the Goulburn wool centre proposal be accepted by industry, NASC is asked to approve the change of the Sale ID Centre code from S (Sydney) to R (Goulburn). If Goulburn is approved, the 2026/27 WSP would be updated (S28 to S52 to R28-R52) and released at the same time.

Comments raised regarding place of employment and travel time. Chair explained that that was out of NASC scope.

OUTCOME: The committee agreed to use the Sale ID code of 'R' should the Goulburn selling centre go ahead.

ACTION(S) NIL

N90/26/5.0 OTHER BUSINESS

5.1 Number of Lots per Selling Day

Currently there is no minimum for number of lots per day in Melbourne. The Southern Buyer Representative suggested where there are less than 1000 lots (in the largest room) for the week, Melbourne should revert to a one-day sale. The Northern Seller Representative noted Sydney has some weeks where there are less than 1050 over the week but brokers are not keen to set a minimum number to revert to a one-day sale due to commercial and logistics considerations, including travel. When there are very small quantities, a call is made at the time. Northern Buyer Representative advised that buyers in the North didn't support having a minimum number of lots in Sydney. The committee continued to have a prolonged discussion on this topic, following these discussions the North Buyer and Seller representatives suggested that 400 lots would be the one-day trigger. The South Buyer representative felt that 950 lots was a suitable minimum lot size to trigger a one-day sale in Melbourne and was concerned about the possibility of Sydney holding a small sale day in isolation. The Chairman advised that it was not for individual regions to impose a minimum on another region, given the stated business implications for North participants. Each region will be free to set its own minimum after consultation with principals.

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OUTCOME: NASC members from South (and large buyers/sellers in North) will consult constituents on setting a minimum lot trigger for a one-day sale. The Chair expressed that NASC needs to find out what the principals want to do before a decision can be made

ACTION(S) NASC will provide a proposal for NASC members to share with their constituents. Committee members are to email their response within 2 weeks.

5.2 Timing of Wool Selling Programme (WSP) Discussion (From item N89-3.1)

The committee was asked to discuss the suggestion to review the WSP in November each year instead of February, to allow adequate time to respond to any changes.

Further to the WSP, the Large Buyer rep asked that the committee consider reviewing volumes in July this year (26/27) to inform number of July sales in 27/28 (1,2 &4).

OUTCOME The committee was in favour of bringing the WSP discussions forward to November.

ACTION(S) Add WSP discussions to NASC92 agenda. July sales volumes to be discussed by committee at next meeting (NASC91).

N90/26/6.0 NEXT MEETING SCHEDULE

Meeting Code	Week	Date	Time	Type
NASC-91	09	Thursday 27 August 2026	2pm (AEST)	Online
NASC-92	20	Thursday 19 November 2026	2pm (AEDT)	Online

Meeting Closed: **3.37pm AEDT**

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