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Introduction

This Agriculture Note provides details of general and technical references in Australian goat production. The Department provides some technical Agriculture Notes on goat production. There are also other general publications on goat production, some of which are listed below. For many inquiries, including both students and farmers, a list of more technical sources of information is often requested.

This list does not claim to be comprehensive but refers to material relevant to southern Australian conditions, that should be obtainable from libraries.

There are also information and research reports available from Australian Web sites.

General

The best advisory book on goat farming in Australia is; Australian Goat Notes (2001). Ed. A.J. Simmonds. 267 pp. (Australian Cashmere Growers Association: Kellyville,

NSW). Orders C/- Box 380, Kellyville, 2155, \$53.90 plus postage. Phone 02 9629 2390. These Goat Notes are also available from:

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New South Wales Department of Primary Industries <http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture> and follow the links to Animals and goats.

Industry Newsletter

The Australian Goat Report, published fortnightly with updates on meat and fibre prices. Ring 0263 433 225.

Mohair Industry

Australasian Mohair Marketing Organisation Ltd., Craig Clancy, 0269 592 988.

<http://www.ausmohair.com.au/>

Mohair Australia Ltd.,

Angora goat breed society with monthly newsletter. Ring office 0269 592 069

<http://www.mohair.org.au/>

Cashmere Industry

Australian Cashmere Growers Association. Cashmere Update newsletter, Ring 0500 500 284.

<http://www.acga.org.au/>

Goat Milk Industry

Australian Goat Milk Association Inc.,

Secretary: Joe Hall 03 54 347 510.

Dairy Goat Society of Australia, *Victorian Secretary:*

Mrs. E. Allen, RMB 1144 Majorca, 3465. *Herd Improvement Association:* Gail Abud, 03 9718 2041.

Goat Meat Industry

Meat and Livestock Australia.

<http://www.mla.com.au/AudienceHierarchy/GoatProducers/default.htm>

Industry Research Bodies

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation (RIRDC) manages the mohair, cashmere and dairy goat industries, <http://www.rirdc.gov.au>

Meat and Livestock Australia (MLA)

<http://www.mla.com.au>

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