

Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

WVLX Market Report Store Cattle - 12 April, 2018

Total Yarding: 2,797

Another reasonable quality yarding of cattle came forward to WVLX considering the extremely dry conditions we have experienced over the last 5 months. In particular, a feature line of locally-bred Angus steers which sold to strong feedlot competition.

There was a big line of cows with calves at varying ages that were here for sale following the recent St Patrick's day fires in the South West. They also sold to keen local competition which supported the vendors who lost their property's feed in the fire.

In quite a few instances, grown heifers and well-bred weaner heifers sold to a better demand than steers. There were quite a few pens of lighter weaner calves with the better bred calves sold by open auction to a keen demand. Young three month old beef-bred calves sold to a weaker demand realising cheaper trends that haven't been seen for some time.

Dairy-bred steers and heifers also showed reasonable competition, and there was a line of station-bred PTIC Angus heifers for early spring and late spring calving, that were consigned for sale owing to extremely dry conditions that sold to better than expected competition.

Again we had a very strong presence of re-stockers, feedlot and both regional and interstate buyers.

Market Report: WVLX Agent's Association President.

Category		\$/Hd
Grown Steers	Top Av	\$1496.68 \$1152.41
Grown Heifers	Top Av	\$1265.81 \$1196.38
Weaner Steers	Top Av	\$870.00 \$687.67
Weaner Heifers	Top Av	\$850.00 \$605.34
Cows & Calves	Top Av	\$2150.00 \$1651.30

Upcoming Sales at WVLX:

- Prime Cattle Monday 16 April, 9am
- Store Cattle Thursday 10 May, 10am



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Top: Damian Delaney of Chocolyn (pictured with daughter Layla, 13) had the best presented pen of steers, which sold for \$2.91/kg. This was Damian's first time selling cattle at our store sale and he's so impressed with the facilities he'll be selling here every store sale from now on.

Bottom left:. Don & Jill Swayn had the best presented pen of heifers which sold for \$2.82/kg. Don's son Dave is pictured here with agent Peter McConachy.

Bottom right: Buyers Jill McDonald and Geoff Rowbottom from Hamilton were at today's store sale to purchase Angus Steers.