



Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

WVLX Market Report Prime Cattle - 9 July, 2018

Total Yarding: 265

There was an increased yarding at Mortlake, up 97 head, selling 265 cattle in total. Quality was mixed in the young cattle and there was a good quality selection of beef and dairy bred cows that made the bulk of the offering. The sale was made up of approximately 74 young cattle, 21 grown steers, 10 grown heifers, 151 cows and 9 bulls. The usual buyers attended the market and although not all operated, demand remained steady in an overall stronger market. The light and medium cows sold 10c to 19c dearer, heavy cows sold firm to 5c higher, young cattle remained mostly unchanged, with some sales a few cents dearer, and the limited number well-presented grown steers and heifers sold from 15c to 20c/kg dearer on last week.

The C2 and C3 vealers sold from 255c to 274c, best of the C3 steer yearlings made between 280c and 290c/kg. C2 and C3 yearling heifers sold from 255c to 276c and restockers alongside feeders received 206c to 265c/kg for their store young cattle. D1 and D2 Friesian yearling heifers made from 180c to 190c/kg.

C2 and C3 grown steers sold from 270c to the top market price of 295c/kg. The D3 and C3 grown heifers made 258c to 266c and a pen of D2 Friesian steers sold for 200c/kg. The prices for the light E1 dairy bred cows were between 140c and 183c, D1 dairy bred cows sold from 189c to 200c with a few pens of D2 and D3 Friesian cows making 202c to 220c/kg. The D1 and D2 beef bred cows made from 182c to 229c, and the heavier well covered D and C muscled cows sold from 225c to 240c as the bulls sold slightly easier, a heavy beef bred bull receiving 235c/kg.

Market Report: Reproduced courtesy of Meat & Livestock Australia Limited. Full report:

<https://www.mla.com.au/CachedNLRReports/Mortlake-Cattle-Report-09-Jul-2018.PDF?id=636667519251632718>

Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Light Steers	<350	Top	265.0	\$878.92
		Av	244.0	\$697.71
Light Heifers	<350	Top	255.0	\$754.80
		Av	223.6	\$528.87
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	290.0	\$1374.60
		Av	232.6	\$951.16
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	276.0	\$1303.80
		Av	250.0	\$1085.53
Export Steers	501+	Top	295.0	\$1850.07
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Export Heifers	501+	Top	258.0	\$1470.60
		Av	243.9	\$1325.98
Cows		Top	266.0	\$2064.96
		Av	206.2	\$1161.39
Bulls	<700	Top	190.0	\$1311.00
		Av	181.0	\$994.53
Bulls	700+	Top	235.0	\$2658.80
		Av	221.1	\$2008.33
Bullocks		Top	290.0	\$1869.00
		Av	255.5	\$1360.29

Upcoming Sales at WVLX:

- Store Cattle - Thursday 12 July, 10am
- Prime Market - Monday 16 July, 9am



Top: Regular store sale vendor Vicki Jones of 'Correlup', proudly wearing her 'Beanies for Brain Cancer' beanie in support of her daughter Sheridan who had this horrible cancer. Vicki, together with Bob Haworth, sold cattle for the first time at today's prime market with her first pen of Angus X Angus cows selling for 236c/kg (ave. weight 710kg) and the second pen making 225c/kg (ave. weight 620kg), which she said she was very happy with.

Bottom left: These 9 good quality Angus X Angus Cows from Denholm Green reached a high 240c/kg, with an average weight of 693.9kg.

Bottom right: Plenty of buyers looking in on this pen of Angus X Angus Heifers that Hayden Layon of Elders Kerr & Co sold for 255c/kg (ave weight 410kg).