



Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

WVLX Market Report

Prime Cattle - 27th April, 2020

Total Yarding: 802

Agents yarded 802 cattle at Mortlake with quality ranging from average to very good. The offering of trade cattle this week however was more mixed. The quality of bullocks was very good and there was an excellent run of beef cows offered. All the major processors and buyers were in attendance and operated in a market where the trade cattle were firm and solidly underpinned by feeders and restockers. The few bullocks offered to the market were firm and the top end quality beef cows were 10c/kg cheaper. The balance of medium to lightweight cows were very firm with strong competition for cows back to the paddock. Manufacturing steers, where the quality was not as good as last week, this market was firm. The market was made up of 28 bullocks, 312 trade cattle, 452 cows and 10 grown bulls.

Yearling steers made from 285c to 360c and the heifers made to 333c with restockers paying to 350c/kg. Grown steers and heifers made from 280c to 346c/kg. Manufacturing steers sold from 220c to 268c/kg. The heavy beef bred cows made from 260c to 290c/kg. Medium weight beef bred cows sold from 235c to 270c, with restockers paying to 240c/kg. Friesian cows sold from 210c to 274c/kg. Grown beef bred bulls made to 255c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Light Steers	0-350	Top	350.0	\$1152.03
		Av	331.1	\$1051.47
Light Heifers	0-350	Top	338.0	\$1000.40
		Av	297.8	\$790.73
Trade Steers	351-500	Top	346.0	\$1646.96
		Av	314.3	\$1330.32
Trade Heifers	351-500	Top	336.0	\$1556.85
		Av	297.2	\$1274.75
Export Steers	501+	Top	308.0	\$1958.88
		Av	292.9	\$1592.44
Export Heifers	501+	Top	335.0	\$2169.18
		Av	297.3	\$1627.42
Bulls	701+	Top	255.0	\$2641.80
		Av	237.2	\$2076.10
Bulls	0-700	Top	193.8	\$1275.13
		Av	210.0	\$1457.40
Cows		Top	290.0	\$2570.12
		Av	255.1	\$1397.70
Bullocks		Top	320.0	\$2208.00
		Av	288.4	\$1674.89



Top: Today's sale consisted of many buyers wanting single's and split lots which kept our administration girls, Emily & Leonie on their toes. They have the task of keeping a record of all prices & purchasers before cattle hit the weigh station but they still manage to keep a smile on their faces!

Bottom Left: Garrison Cattle Feeders purchased these 5 Wheego Trading PTY LTD Salers steers for 346c/kg, averaging \$1294.04 per head. (Sold By JM Ellis & Co)

Bottom Right: DR & GM Lucas of Weerite presented these 3 well covered Angus Cows which topped the cow portion at today's market fetching 290c/kg, averaging \$2213.67 per head. (Sold by Elders Kerr & Co)

Upcoming Sales at WVLX:

- 4th of May-Prime Sale, 9am
- 11th of May-Prime Sale, 9am
- 18th of May-Prime Sale, 9am
- 21st of May-Store Sale, 10am