

WVLX Market Report Store Sale - 18th Of August, 2022

Yarding: 2,301

A bumper crowd turned out for the August store sale that saw 2,301 cattle yarded, a few less hundred head than we've seen in previous months.

Heavy grown steers weighing 550-600kg sold extremely well and were significantly dearer than last sale. Competition was very strong in this category, particularly from Auctions Plus, with the majority selling for 540-560c/kg. One pen of Angus X bullocks weighing 679kg on account of V & A O'Keefe averaged \$3429ph when they were sold for 505c/kg. The 400-500kg steers didn't receive quite as high a price rise as the heavy grown steers, going under the hammer for mostly 570-600c/kg. Moorak Trust had the top pen in this category selling their pen of Angus grown steers for 582c/kg, returning \$2380ph.

Steers in the 320-400kg weight category mainly made 590-660c/kg depending on quality, while weaner steers 250-300kg principally returned 670-740c/kg. There were some extreme sales in the light weight weaner steers including 2 large pens of Angus weaner steers on account of Baulch Feedlot P/L that weighed 200kg and 183kg, averaging \$1803ph and \$1647ph respectively.

Cows & calves were a lot stronger compared to the last sale, with two pens making a top of \$3480ph. One was a pen of 3 Angus X cows & calves on account of AM & AM Evans, while the other pen on account of JC & MA Kinley were 7 Angus cows & calves.

We saw stronger results once again in the grown heifers including a pen of Angus X on account of W Woods P/L that made 540c/kg, returning \$2514ph. Another pleasing aspect of the August sale were heifers in the 320-380kg weight category that made very similar rates to the steers being 600-650c/kg. This included a pen of 43 Angus heifers on account of Elandry Lodge that sold for 650c/kg, averaging \$2240ph.

Heifers under the 300kg mark sold erratically but vendors were pleased with their results. The Baulch Feedlot heifers weighing 146kg sold for a top of 826c/kg, averaging \$1203ph.

Crossbred and Friesian steers sold to stronger demand, with Friesians making up to a pleasing result of 355c/kg.

Our congratulations and thanks to all vendors, transporters and agents for presenting the cattle in such good condition and we thank everyone for attending. The next store sale will be held on 15th September with store sales then returning to twice a month.

Market Report: WVLX Agent's Association President, Matt Sculley

Category	Tops	
Grown Steers	Top \$/h Top c/kg	\$2428.95 582.9
Grown Heifers	Top \$/h Top c/kg	\$2514.38 650.0
Weighed Weaner Steers	Top \$/h Top c/kg	\$2415.43 900.0
Weighed Weaner Heifers	Top \$/h Top c/kg	\$2148.00 826.0
Cows & Calves	Top \$/h	\$3480.00
PTIC Heifers	Top \$/h	\$2720.00





Top Left: Tim Baulch of Baulch Feedlot P/L was very happy after selling 231 Angus weaner cattle today, with the steers going under the Southern Grampians Livestock hammer for a top of 900c/kg or \$1803ph and the heifers reaching a top of 826c/kg or \$1203ph.

Top Right: Cows & Calves were stronger this sale with this pen of Angus mums and bubs sold by Nutrien Ag reaching the top of \$3480ph on account of JC & MA Kinley.

Bottom Left: A large crowd on the rails when Elders Kerr & Co sold this pen of Angus grown steers on behalf of Moorak Trust for the top of 582c/kg, averaging \$2380ph.

Middle Middle: Bao & Hung Nguyen (with 240 Khoi) sold 44 cattle today through HF Richardson Livestock with their weaner steers reaching 742c/kg or \$1541ph and their weaner heifers making 652c/kg or \$1706ph.

Middle Right: This consignment of 679kg Angus X bullocks was sold by Brian O'Halloran & Co for V & A O'Keefe for 505c/kg, averaging \$3429ph.

Bottom Right: These Gassdale Pastoral Angus weaner steers were sold by Nutrien Ag for 622c/kg. Weighing 388kg they returned \$2415ph.

Upcoming Sales at WVLX:

Monday 22nd August - Prime Market starts 9am Monday 29th August - Prime Market starts 9am Monday 5th September - Prime Market starts 9am Monday 12th September - Prime Market starts 9am

Thursday 15th September - Store Sale starts 10am