

## WVLX Market Report

Prime Cattle - 27th of February, 2023

## Total Yarding: 1,521

Another large offering of 1520 cattle yarded at Mortlake this week, an increase of 200. The quality was mixed with the grown steers being dominated by manufacturing steers and the cows by dairy breds with less good heavy beef cows. The yarding comprised 406 grown steers and heifers 521 trade cattle 570 cows as well as 23 grown bulls.

All the regular processors were in attendance together with feeders active in a fully firm market over most categories with the exception of the dairy cows, these were 10c to 20c stronger together with the manufacturing steers they were 10c to 15c/kg dearer. However some plainer cattle were offered in the trade section and were slightly softer again in places. There were some very good vealers on offer.

The pick of the veal making between 390c and 466c/kg, yearling steers and heifers 350c to 400c/kg and the grown steers and heifers have topped at 390c/kg. Manufacturing steers sold from 290c to 342c/kg. Good beef cows made between 300c and 330c/kg. Medium cows sold from 270c to 310c/kg. Dairy cows, well-covered, sold from 260c to 300c/kg. Grown beef bulls to 280c/kg and the dairy bulls to 270c/kg.

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Category	Weight		c/kg	\$/Hd
Bulls	0-700	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>270.0</b> 230.8	<b>\$1631.70</b> \$1353.85
Bulls	700+	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>280.0</b> 249.1	<b>\$3197.92</b> \$2177.57
Light Heifers	0-350	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>380.0</b> 274.6	<b>\$1276.80</b> \$866.58
Light Steers	0-350	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>448.0</b> 309.7	<b>\$1448.53</b> \$997.01
Trade Heifers	351-500	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>400.0</b> 324.9	<b>\$1767.90</b> \$1394.36
Trade Steers	351-500	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>450.0</b> 317.0	<b>\$1979.38</b> \$1405.35
Grown Heifers	500+	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>374.0</b> 334.5	<b>\$2271.36</b> \$1867.67
Grown Steers	500+	<b>Top</b> Av	<b>400.0</b> 335.2	<b>\$3074.00</b> \$1996.36
Weaner Heifers		<b>Top</b> Av	<b>466.0</b> 409.3	<b>\$1776.63</b> \$1486.46
Weaner Steers		<b>Top</b> Av	<b>450.0</b> 394.6	<b>\$2031.33</b> \$1680.55
Cows		<b>Top</b> Av	<b>330.0</b> 269.2	<b>\$2437.50</b> \$1446.21
Bullocks		<b>Top</b> Av	<b>394.0</b> 345.8	<b>\$2743.96</b> \$2050.29





**Top Left:** Topping the market today were 4 of the Limousin X weaner heifers in this pen on account of Ancala Partnership that reached 466c/kg under the J & J Kelly hammer, averaging \$1777ph. The other 10 sold from 420-450c/kg, returning \$1638-\$1766ph.

**Top Right:** R & P Hay had this great pen of Angus bullocks that Elders Kerr & Co sold for a top of 394c/kg, making \$2200ph.

**Bottom Left:** Nutrien Ag sold this pen of weaner steers, with 5 of the Angus fellas making a top of 450c/kg, averaging \$1958ph for Glynbrae Pastoral Co.

**Bottom Right:** This pen of Angus X cows was sold for a top of 330c/kg by Nutrien Ag, returning \$2204ph for GJ Collins Pty Ltd.

## **Upcoming Sales and Events:**

Thursday 2nd March - Store Sale starts 10am
Monday 6th March - Prime Market starts 9am
Monday 13th March - NO PRIME MARKET DUE TO PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Thursday 16th March - Store Sale starts 10am