



Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

## WVLX Market Report Store Sale - 5th of October, 2023

### **Yarding: 1,340**

There was a total of 1,340 cattle offered which represented a decrease of 2,717 head from the sale a fortnight ago. It was a slightly smaller buyer gallery compared to last sale which also consisted of local spectators especially at the beginning. Local processors and feeders also attended the cattle sale and purchased suitable pens. Buyers came from North Central Victoria, Pakenham, Gippsland and the Western Districts. Quality varied from very good well bred beef yearling steers with excellent weight, a variety of weights in the beef heifer portion, secondary dairy crosses and pens of dairy bred steers from average to plain at the end. There was a drop in the overall quality of the smaller number of weaners that were yarded.

Prices were generally from 20c to 30c/kg cheaper for the similar breed and type of store cattle sale a month ago. Although yearling heifers did vary from 15c up to 40c/kg weaker in places. The good line up of heavy Angus and Angus cross steers penned in the yarding sold 18c dearer on a month ago and close to unchanged when compared to last fortnight as they averaged 257c/kg. Also a few isolated sales of the Charolais steer and heifer weaners sold to firm.

Angus steer weaners sold from 180c to 230c and the European bred and European crosses sales made from 160c to 242c/kg. European cross heifer weaners sold from 120c to 210c and light British cross weaner heifers made 90c to 106c/kg. The heavy Angus and Angus cross steers above 400kg lwt sold from mainly 220c to 268c, the yearling medium weight steers were between 200c to 260c/kg. European cross yearling steers of medium weight made from 128c to 220c/kg. Some good pens of Friesian steers above 400kg lwt made between 120c to 152c as they averaged 144c and the Angus Friesian cross yearling steers were mostly from 140c to 200c/kg.

Yearling Angus heifers with cover sold from 200c to 217c, Hereford and Angus Friesian cross heifers made 100c to 175c and the leaner European cross yearling heifers sold from 102c to 165c/kg. Most of the better quality British Bred cows with calves at foot sold from \$780 to \$1,140 with the plainer cow and calves at foot of all breeds selling from \$400 to \$800/unit. A couple of European cows with calves at foot made \$925 to \$1,075/unit.

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Category	Tops	
<b>Grown Steers</b>	Top \$/h	\$1436.03
	Top c/kg	268.0
<b>Grown Heifers</b>	Top \$/h	\$954.63
	Top c/kg	217.0
<b>Weighed Weaner Steers</b>	Top \$/h	\$840.00
	Top c/kg	242.0
<b>Weighed Weaner Heifers</b>	Top \$/h	\$723.19
	Top c/kg	190.0
<b>PTIC Cows</b>	Top \$/h	\$1250.00
<b>Cows &amp; Calves</b>	Top \$/h	\$1140.00



**Top Left:** Cris Stratford donated this Speckle Park X weaner heifer to be auctioned, raising \$1200 for the Breast Cancer Council. Congratulations to all involved!

**Top Right:** Hamish Officer of Brandon Pastoral P/L was onsite today to see Elders Kerr & Co sell nearly 400 of his cattle. 323 of their grown steers sold for 210c to a top of 268c/kg, returning \$847 to a top of \$1436ph, while their 59 grown heifers sold for 210c to a top of 217c/kg, averaging \$819 to a top of \$955ph.

**Middle Left:** This Angus cow & calf on account of CJ & AM Surkitt reached the top of \$1140ph under the Nutrien Ag hammer.

**Bottom Left:** JM Ellis & Co sold this pen of Charolais X weaner steers for a top of 242c/kg, making \$823ph for Kurrawa Partnership.

**Bottom Right:** The Estate is Black presented this pen of Charolais X weaner heifers which Charles Stewart Nash McVilly sold for a top of 190c/kg, returning \$723ph.

**Upcoming Sales at WVLX:**

Monday 9th October - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 16th October - Prime Market starts 9am

**Thursday 20th October - Store Sale starts 10am**

Monday 23rd October - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 30th October - Prime Market starts 9am