



Western Victoria Livestock Exchange

WVLX Market Report

Elders Kerr Co Annual Feature Spring Sale

26th October, 2023

Yarding: 2,515

Elders Kerr and Co yarded 2,515 cattle at their Annual Feature Spring cattle sale held at WVLX Mortlake. The penning contained some outstanding well bred Western District cattle kept specifically for this annual blue ribbon fixture. The sale was made up of approximately 1,251 grown and yearling steers, 685 weaner steers, 247 yearling heifers and 310 weaner heifers. Angus cattle took up the majority, Herefords were well represented and some good quality pens of British breeds and British crosses of both sexes came forward.

A good size crowd followed the sale with spirited bidding especially for the steers at times. Buyers came from South Australia, Northern and Central Victoria, Gippsland and the surrounding Western Districts. Processors and feeders were active and provided extra competition. The prices for the steers overall remained fully firm with some isolated sales selling from 5c to 10c/kg stronger at times. Heifer prices generally were from unchanged to slightly softer depending on demand and quality.

Good quality Angus steer weaners sold from 222c to 260c/kg, averaging 250c/kg. A pen of Hereford steers sold for 172c/kg and Angus X Hereford steer weaners made from 216c to 230c/kg. The Angus weaner heifers sold from 150c to 208c/kg, Hereford heifers made 130c to 178c/kg with the other British breeds selling from 160c to 170c/kg.

The well presented Angus steers above 400kg lwt sold from 180c to 250c/kg as they averaged an estimated 240c/kg. Angus X Hereford yearling steers made between 216c to 232c/kg and the Hereford yearling steer portion sold from 192c to 218c/kg. A pen of Charolais steers made 190c/kg and a couple of heavy Murray Grey steer pens sold from 200c to 218c/kg. Yearling Angus heifers sold from 175c to 206c/kg with the Hereford and British cross heifer yearlings selling from 158c to 192c/kg. A couple of Angus cows with calves at foot pens towards the end of the sale made \$1,000 to \$1,125/unit.

Market Report: Meat and Livestock Australia Reporter, Tim Delaney

Category	Tops	
Grown Steers	Top \$/h	\$1490.28
	Top c/kg	250.0
Grown Heifers	Top \$/h	\$1019.83
	Top c/kg	206.0
Weighed Weaner Steers	Top \$/h	\$1172.89
	Top c/kg	260.0
Weighed Weaner Heifers	Top \$/h	\$929.92
	Top c/kg	208.0



Top left: These 23 Angus grown steers on account of DJ Pearce made a top of 250c/kg, averaging \$1407ph.

Top right: Congratulations to Jock & Cheryl McMahon of Colangulac, Bookaar who were awarded the Best Presented pen today by Michael Kerr, for the second year running. Their award winning pen of 40 Angus weaner steers were sold for 242c/kg, returning \$1080ph.

Middle left: Brandon Pastoral P/L sold this pen of 40 Angus grown heifers for a top of 206c/kg. With a weight of 444kg, they realised \$915ph.

Bottom left: Erik Jensen of Stenmark, Portland sold 41 Angus grown steers today for 239c to 240c/kg, returning \$1236 to \$1353ph.

Bottom right: Jo Moore of Weeran Angus, Byaduk was on site today to see their 93 Angus grown steers and 178 Angus weaner steers sold. The grown steers made between 238c to 248c/kg, returning \$992 to \$1490ph while the weaners made 242c to a market top of 260c/kg, averaging \$769 to \$946ph.

Upcoming Sales at WVLX:

Monday 30th October - Prime Market starts 9am

Thursday 2nd November - Store Sale starts 10am

Monday 6th November - Prime Market starts 9am

Monday 13th November - Prime Market starts 9am

Thursday 16th November - Store Sale starts 10am