

WVLX Market Report Store Sale - 2nd of November, 2023

Yarding: 1,079

Agents offered a total of 1,079 cattle which represented a decrease of 261 head compared to the similar breed type store sale a month ago at Mortlake. Quality was mainly from average to fair with the majority of the sale mixed sex British breeds crossed with Friesian and a mixed selection of approximately 360 Friesian steers. Less beef bred cattle were penned with a slight drop in quality.

The buying gallery was made up of a couple of processors and feeders that were active in places. It also consisted of restockers from Gippsland, Mt Gambier, Colac, Ararat and a good number of sales were purchased by the local districts. When compared to a month ago, prices were generally from 5c to 15c/kg cheaper for the beef bred and crossbred sections of the sale. Some prices came back further but this was due to their quality and there were sales under 10oc/kg at times. Light Friesian steers were 5c softer with the medium and heavier Friesian steers selling to a lift in demand to be 5c to 15c/kg stronger.

Angus steer weaners sold from 178c to 194c/kg, European cross steers made 120c to 160c/kg and the crossbred portion were between 104c to 140c/kg. A pen of Angus heifer weaners sold to 160c/kg, Angus X Friesian heifers made 108c to 140c/kg and the European cross weaner heifers sold from 122c to 160c/kg. A limited number of Angus yearling steers above 400kg made 170c to 190c/kg and European cross steers sold from 150c to 190c/kg. The good quality Angus yearling heifers sold between mostly 160c to 192c/kg, a sale of Charolais heifers made 178c/kg and a couple of European cross yearling heifer sales were from 152c to 168c/kg.

Angus X Friesian yearling steers sold from 130c to 180c/kg as they averaged close to 161c/kg and the lighter pens sold mostly from 100c to the market top of 222c/kg. Friesian steers above 400kg made from 144c to 162c/kg, medium weights were from 100c to 148c/kg and light Friesian steers sold from 70c to 120c/kg. Angus X Friesian yearling heifers made from 132c to 170c/kg with a lighter weight pen reaching 200c/kg. Well bred cows and calves at foot sold from \$950 to \$1,340 and a couple of plainer sales were from \$320 to \$520/unit. A pen of 8 Murray Grey heifers sold for \$800/head. A couple of Speckle Park bulls made \$1,275 and \$1,700/head and two young Angus bulls sold at \$2,000/head.

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Category	Tops	
Grown Steers	Top \$/h Top c/kg	\$1028.50 190.0
Grown Heifers	Top \$/h Top c/kg	\$867.60 192.0
Weighed Weaner Steers	Top \$/h Top c/kg	\$711.35 194.0
Weighed Weaner Heifers	Top \$/h Top c/kg	\$770.06 200.0
Cows & Calves	Top \$/h	\$1340.00





Top Left: J Bushell presented this pen of grown Angus X steers that reached a top of 190c/kg under the Brian O'Halloran hammer, returning \$832ph.

Top Right: This large pen of Angus x weaner heifers was sold by Charles Stewart Nash McVilly for a top of 200c/kg, making \$496ph for SJ & AE Watson P/L.

Bottom Left: Brian O'Halloran sold this pen of Angus grown heifers on account of MF Finnigan for a top of 192c/kg, averaging \$804ph.

Bottom Right: This pen of Angus cows & calves was sold by Southern Grampians Livestock for a top of \$1340ph on behalf of B & D Attrill.

Upcoming Sales at WVLX:

Monday 6th November - Prime Market starts 9am Monday 13th November - Prime Market starts 9am **Thursday 16th November - Store Sale starts 10am** Monday 20th November - Prime Market starts 9am Monday 27th November - Prime Market starts 9am