

LIVESTOCKEYE

TAUPO CATTLE SALE

R1 STEER
HERE/FR
255 - 271KG
3.43 - 3.45

R1 STEER
HERE/FR
246KG
3.86

R1 HEIFER
HERE/FR
236 - 263KG
2.93 - 2.95

R1 HEIFER
HERE/FR
188 - 209KG
3.20 - 3.25

VIEWPOINT



Suz Bremner

Wintry weather limits interest

The inclement weather was a stark reminder that winter is not done with us yet, and caused a few access issues, meaning some advertised stock did not make it to market. Of those that did make the journey 99% were dairy-beef, and while the yarding included quality annual draft lines, buyers were able to purchase some nice cattle at lower than expected levels. Wet conditions are the main culprit for the hesitancy in the market, with a good turnout of buyers but cautious bidding, with many happy to sit this one out until paddocks dry out and feed levels improve.

R2 cattle were very limited and so the sale moved quickly into the R1 pens. A decent line-up of quality Hereford-Friesian were penned and

a line of 246kg steers managed \$950, \$3.86/kg, but this was the top limit for both per head and \$/kg. Heavier lines, 255-271kg, made \$880-\$920, \$3.43-\$3.45/kg. This scenario was repeated in the heifer pens, though for similar weights the per head range was more like \$690-\$775, with lighter types, 188-213kg, sitting at \$600-\$680. Two lines of Friesian & Friesian-cross bulls were variable, with the heavier line, 330kg, making \$900 and 206kg, \$595.

A consignment of autumn-born dairy-cross weaners were mainly Friesian-Jersey cross and they sold to market value. The steers traded at \$250-\$390, and bulls, \$250-\$510. A small line of Hereford-Friesian bulls, 205kg, topped the section at \$580.

Store cattle tallies				
	R1	R2	R3+	Total
Steer	128	3	-	131
Heifer	127	6	-	133
Bull	68	11	-	79
Cow	-	-	-	-
Total	324	20	-	360



STORE CATTLE

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
R2 STEER					
Here/Fr	3		500	1480	2.96
R2 HEIFER					
Here/Fr	4		488	1375	2.82
Here/Fr	2		380	960	2.53
R2 BULL					
Fr x	11		360 - 406	930 - 1080	2.58 - 2.66
R1 STEER					
Here/Fr	19		255 - 271	880 - 930	3.43 - 3.45
Here/Fr	22		246	950	3.86
Here/Fr	4		245	730	2.98
Here/Fr	9		222	820	3.69
Here/Fr	4		178	540	3.04
Fr	7		271	695	2.56
R1 HEIFER					
Ang	4		233	775	3.33
Here/Fr	21		236 - 263	690 - 775	2.93 - 2.95
Here/Fr	19		224	710	3.17
Here/Fr	12		212 - 213	600 - 605	2.83 - 2.84
Here/Fr	50		188 - 209	600 - 680	3.20 - 3.25
Here/Fr	11		183	630	3.45
Here/Fr	4		163	455	2.80

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
R1 BULL					
Ang	1		240	350	1.46
Fr & Fr x	11		330	900	2.73
Fr & Fr x	11		206	595	2.89
R1 RIG					
Here/Fr	1		271	750	2.77
AUTUMN-BORN R1 STEER					
Here/Fr	11		151	530	3.51
Fr/Jer	27		176	390	2.22
Fr/Jer	3		173	360	2.08
Fr/Jer	17		160	250	1.56
Fr/Jer	5		142	370	2.61
AUTUMN-BORN R1 HEIFER					
Here/Fr	6		137	540	3.95
AUTUMN-BORN R1 BULL					
Here/Fr	4		205	580	2.83
Here/Fr	7		154	540	3.50
Fr/Jer	15		124	510	4.11
Fr/Jer	6		113	250	2.21
Fr/Jer	9		103	300	2.90
Fr/Jer	4		93	330	3.57