

LIVESTOCKEYE

TAUPO CATTLE SALE

	2-YEAR STEER HERE/FR 420 - 475KG 3.06		1-YEAR STEER ANG 279KG 3.94		1-YEAR STEER ANG/HERE 252 - 255KG 4.00 - 4.05		1-YEAR HEIFER HERE/FR 176 - 255KG 2.90 - 2.92		WEANER STEER ANG X 294 - 296KG 3.41 - 3.47
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VIEWPOINT



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Solid sale in uncertain times

Given the current market environment and need for rain in some areas results out of Taupo today were pleasing as locals and buyers from the King Country rolled up their sleeves and got stuck in. While dairy-beef easily dominated in volume a consignment of 50 yearling Angus & Angus Hereford steers plus autumn-born Angus-cross weaners were a bit of a treat for buyers.

Two pens of three-year Angus-Friesian steers, 509-568kg, made respectable values at \$2.73-\$2.85/kg. True-to-type two-year Hereford-Friesian steers had a good following and those 419-465kg sold for \$3.02-\$3.13/kg, while a heavier line at 476kg made \$2.98/kg.

Traditional yearling steers easily made a premium as a line of Angus, 279kg, returned \$3.94/kg and Angus-Hereford, 252-255kg, \$4.00-\$4.05/kg. No other lines came close to that level.

The biggest section of the day was the yearling heifers, with just over half Hereford-Friesian and much of the balance dairy-beef crossbred. Weights were very consistent for the Hereford-

Friesian lines with five weighing 260-267kg, but it was interesting to note some selective bidding with two of those lines making \$2.96-\$2.99/kg, while the remainder were lesser bred types which earned \$2.62-\$2.68/kg. Heavier types sold for \$780-\$830, \$2.85-\$2.88/kg, while the lighter end lifted slightly on a \$/kg basis and so per head price ranges were fairly tight. Good crossbred lines, 240-265kg, traded at \$2.64-\$2.71/kg. Two good pens of autumn-born heifers were also offered and Angus-Friesian, 349kg, fetched \$2.82/kg and 316kg, \$3.18/kg.

Bulls sold to expectations as quality was mixed. One line of Friesian, 235kg, managed \$3.04/kg.

A feature in the weaner pens was a consignment of autumn-born Angus-cross cattle. These were nice types and the steers found good competition as 294-296kg sold for \$1010-\$1020, \$3.41-\$3.47/kg. Bidding was more subdued on the heifers and they sold for \$640-\$815 for 197-265kg, while Hereford-Friesian, 151-181kg, returned \$535-\$610.

Store cattle tallies				
	Weaner	1-year	2-year+	Total
Steer	47	83	128	258
Heifer	66	205	4	275
Bull	-	53	-	53
Cow	-	-	-	2
Total	113	341	132	594

Average Sale Prices				
Age/Class	Breed	kg	\$/hd	\$/kg
2-year Steer	Beef/Dairy	450	1380	3.06
1-year Heifer	Beef/Dairy	245	710	2.90



STORE CATTLE

Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
3-YEAR PLUS STEER				
Ang/Fr	10	568	1550	2.73
Ang/Fr	11	509	1450	2.85
2-YEAR STEER				
Ang x	6	432	1300	3.01
Beef x	3	473	1300	2.75
Here/Fr	27	476	1420	2.98
Here/Fr	27	455 - 465	1375 - 1445	3.02 - 3.11
Here/Fr	37	419 - 435	1285 - 1360	3.07 - 3.13
xBred	7	424	1250	2.95
2-YEAR HEIFER				
Here/Fr	2	440	1100	2.50

Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
1-YEAR STEER				
Ang	20	279	1100	3.94
Ang/Here	30	252 - 255	1020	4.00 - 4.05
Dev x	3	260	930	3.58
Gallo x	3	277	520	1.88
Here x	3	423	1000	2.36
Here/Fr	10	287	950	3.31
Here/Fr	3	223	680	3.05
xBred	7	240	700	2.92
xBred	4	195	675	3.46

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	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
1-YEAR HEIFER					
Ang x	4		233	700	3.00
Beef x	3		320	700	2.19
Here/Fr	23		271 - 288	780 - 830	2.85 - 2.88
Here/Fr	6		267	700	2.62
Here/Fr	17		266	795	2.99
Here/Fr	8		261	700	2.68
Here/Fr	4		260	770	2.96
Here/Fr	2		260	690	2.65
Here/Fr	28		176 - 255	510 - 745	2.90 - 2.92
Here/Fr	17		168	517	3.08
Fr x	9		284	730	2.57
xBred	5		270	600	2.22
xBred	11		265	700	2.64
xBred	8		249	600	2.41
xBred	13		240 - 241	640 - 650	2.66 - 2.71
xBred	9		233	580	2.49
1-YEAR BULL					
Ang/Fr	8		253	720	2.85
Ayr	8		318	840	2.64
Fr	10		293	845	2.88
Fr	4		243	650	2.67
Fr	16		235	715	3.04
Fr x	2		395	900	2.28
Fr x	5		316	805	2.55

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
AUTUMN-BORN 1-YEAR HEIFER					
Ang/Fr	17		349	985	2.82
Here/Fr	13		316	1005	3.18
Here/Fr	8		281	830	2.95
AUTUMN-BORN WEANER STEER					
Ang x	14		294 - 296	1010 - 1020	3.41 - 3.47
Ang x	6		213	800	3.76
Ang/Fr	23		259	650	2.51
AUTUMN-BORN WEANER HEIFER					
Ang x	8		265	815	3.08
Ang x	6		197	640	3.25
Beef x	6		233	600	2.58
Ang/Fr	3		287	600	2.09
Ang/Fr	5		234	630	2.69
Here/Fr	10		181	610	3.37
Here/Fr	13		151	535	3.54
WEANER STEER					
Here/Fr	4		150	535	3.57
WEANER HEIFER					
Here x	10		163	500	3.07
Here x	5		158	450	2.85
MA COW					
Fr	2		420	610	1.45
VIC 2-YEAR HEIFER					
Fr x	2		440	810	1.84