

LIVESTOCKEYE

TAUPO CATTLE

 R2 STEER HERE/FR 418 - 426KG 2.56 - 2.58	 R2 STEER HERE/FR 365 - 411KG 2.68 - 2.74	 R2 HEIFER ANG X 414KG 2.68	 R2 HEIFER HERE/FR 334 - 336KG 2.49 - 2.53	 WEANER STEER ANG 195KG 3.64
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VIEWPOINT



Suz Bremner

Typical winter yarding penned

Today's sale was described as a 'clear the cupboard out' yarding, which is so typical of this time of year but doesn't make the job of selling the cattle easy. Couple that with a cold, miserable day and it was not the best day at the office, with very limited buyers, though those that were in the market found a few bargains.

A few highlights in the pens included R2 Hereford-Friesian steers, which made reasonable money on today's market at \$2.56-\$2.74/kg for 365-426kg, while a line of Angus & Angus-cross, 458kg, were pushed to \$2.84/kg. Hereford-Friesian heifers of very similar weight to the steers sold for a 20c/kg discount on them, making \$2.37-\$2.53/kg, and again it was Angus &

Angus-cross that topped the section at \$2.68/kg for 414kg.

Weaner quality was mixed but did include some standout lines, including eight Hereford-Friesian steers, 236kg, which returned \$800, while two small lines of Angus, 133-195kg, fetched \$570-\$710.

The heifer section had more in the pens but a larger instance of dairy-cross, which was reflected in the prices. Most lines across the section traded at \$440-\$600, though two lines of heavier Hereford-Friesian and crossbred pushed to \$650-\$680. A line of Speckle Park bulls, 290kg, made \$750, and Friesian, 195-236kg, \$550-\$680, though these were the only lines worth a mention.

Store cattle tallies				
	Weaner	R2	R3+	Total
Steer	15	42	8	65
Heifer	48	43	2	93
Bull	37	3	-	40
Cow	-	-	-	11
Total	100	88	10	242

Average Sale Prices				
Age/Class	Breed	kg	\$/hd	\$/kg
R2 Heifer	Beef/Dairy	345	860	2.49



STORE CATTLE

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
R3 STEER					
Here x	1		500	1200	2.40
Speckle	6		392	1018	2.60
xBred	1		520	1180	2.27
R3 HEIFER					
xBred	2		545	1200	2.20
R2 STEER					
Ang & Ang x	6		458	1300	2.84
Ang & Ang x	2		335	815	2.43
Speckle	2		415	1060	2.55
Here/Fr	9		418 - 426	1070 - 1100	2.56 - 2.58
Here/Fr	19		365 - 411	1000 - 1100	2.68 - 2.74
Fr	1		400	700	1.75
xBred	3		480	1070	2.23

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
R2 HEIFER					
Ang & Ang x	4		493	1260	2.56
Ang & Ang x	8		414	1110	2.68
Here/Fr	2		390 - 430	950 - 1020	2.37 - 2.44
Here/Fr	4		365	950	2.60
Here/Fr	2		340	750	2.21
Here/Fr	16		334 - 336	835 - 845	2.49 - 2.53
xBred	4		440	990	2.25
xBred	3		347	700	2.02
R2 BULL					
Fr	3		373	850	2.28
WEANER STEER					
Ang	4		195	710	3.64
Ang	3		133	570	4.29
Here/Fr	8		236	800	3.39

WEANER CALVES

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
WEANER HEIFER					
Ang & Ang x	3		217	590	2.72
Highland	1		350	500	1.43
Highland	3		193	400	2.07
Speckle	6		168	600	3.57
Here/Fr	4		243	650	2.67
Fr/Jer	10		233	450	1.93
xBred	3		263	500	1.90
xBred	11		254	680	2.68
xBred	7		209	440	2.11

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
WEANER BULL					
Highland	1		230	380	1.65
Speckle	11		290	750	2.59
Fr	9		195 - 236	550 - 680	2.82 - 2.88
Fr	6		165	500	3.03
Jer	3		193	450	2.33
Swiss B.	2		260	490	1.88
xBred	2		190	510	2.68
xBred	3		177	560	3.16
MA COW					
Jer	1		400	570	1.43
xBred	3		593	1000	1.69
xBred	2		480	550	1.15
xBred	5		476	810	1.70