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TAUPO CATTLE

2-YEAR STEER ANG/FR 449KG	YEARLING STEER ANG 217 - 242KG	YEARLING HEIFER HERE/FR 235 - 325KG	WEANER BULL FR 100KG	WEANER STEER HERE/FR 142 - 203KG
2.96	3.68 - 3.73	3.09	410	520 - 735

VIEWPOINT

Suz Bremner

Vendors happy to sell now

Vendors felt they were in a much more comfortable position to be selling cattle than a month ago, as grass has responded to good rain and more buyers from local farms and outside the area came forward. If they couldn't be in attendance, they had their orders in and coupled with a better quality yarding it was a very satisfactory day at the office.

Just over 700 cattle were penned and only a minority of weaners did not head off to new homes. Included in that yarding was some big line sizes, fit-for-purpose for those after big numbers. An annual draft consignment of 63 yearling Hereford-Friesian heifers (pictured) topped their section at $1010 to exceed $3.00/kg by a good margin. They were not the only line in this section to achieve that, though other lines did not pack the 327kg weight that these did. One pen of weaner Friesian bulls consisted of 73 head and at 100kg sold for $410.

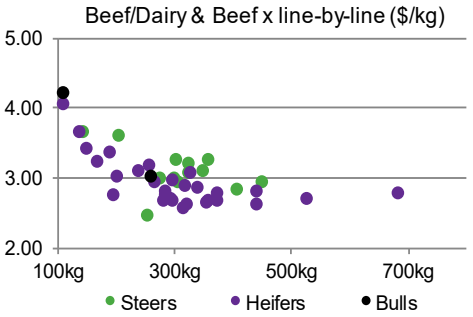
Buyers really rolled up their sleeves in the 2-year and yearling pens and there was a noted improvement in price for all types, which reflected the trend set around the North Island over the past few weeks. Quality Angus-Friesian proved very popular in the 2-year steer pens as 322-449kg achieved $2.96-$3.08/kg. Hereford-Friesian heifers followed suit and 370-437kg were pushed to $2.81-$2.84/kg, surpassing lighter Angus and Hereford-cross lines at $2.66-$2.76/kg.

Angus-Friesian again stood out in the yearling steer pens with plenty of weight to throw around at 323-354kg which meant they were able to top the section at $1040-$1160. Their $/kg levels of $3.22-$3.27/kg did fall short of lighter traditional lines as Angus, 217-242kg, were chased all the way to $3.68-$3.73/kg, a far cry from levels seen a month ago.

The weaner market did not quite pack the punch of the older cattle though was a notable improvement on recent levels. Hereford-Friesian steers, 142-203kg, made $520-$735 and a mix of heifers varied from $440 for light Hereford-Friesian up to $800 for heavy Belgium Blue-cross.

Store cattle tallies

	Weaner	Yearling	2-year+	Total
Steer	59	86	73	**218**
Heifer	59	156	71	**286**
Bull	95	40	-	**135**
Cow	-	-	-	**3**
Total	**213**	**282**	**144**	**715**



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	Tally	Cond.	Weight	$/hd	$/kg
3-YEAR HEIFER					
Ang x	18		523	1425	2.72
Here x	3		680	1900	2.79
2-YEAR STEER					
Ang	3		413	1280	3.10
Here x	5		298	900	3.02
Ang/Fr	28		449	1330	2.96
Ang/Fr	19		322	990	3.08
Here/Fr	10		404	1150	2.85
Fr x	2		565	1480	2.62
Fr x	6		532	1500	2.82

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	$/hd	$/kg
2-YEAR HEIFER					
Ang	12		310 - 388	850 - 1070	2.74 - 2.76
Ang x	4		318	840	2.65
Beef x	4		440	1165	2.65
Here x	7		353 - 355	940 - 960	2.66 - 2.70
Here x	6		313	810	2.59
Here x	5		290	790	2.72
Here/Fr	22		370 - 437	1040 - 1240	2.81 - 2.84
Here/Fr	1		370	1000	2.70
Here/Fr	6		282	795	2.82
Here/Fr (Red)	4		283	785	2.78

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	Tally	Cond.	Weight	$/hd	$/kg
YEARLING STEER					
Ang	7		281	970	3.45
Ang	27		217 - 242	810 - 890	3.68 - 3.73
Ang & A/H	3		293	965	3.29
Char x	5		318	1055	3.32
Char x	5		248	850	3.43
Here x	8		273	820	3.01
M. Grey x	2		300	980	3.27
Ang/Fr	17		323 - 354	1040 - 1160	3.22 - 3.27
Ang/Fr	6		305	900	2.95
Here/Fr	5		346	1080	3.12
Here/Dairy	1		250	620	2.48
YEARLING HEIFER					
Ang	13		269	880	3.27
Ang x	4		278	750	2.70
Char x	3		307	1000	3.26
Here x	3		293	790	2.69
M. Grey x	5		264	780	2.95
M. Grey x	5		186	630	3.39
Ang/Fr	9		316	920	2.92
Ang/Fr	16		254	810	3.19
Here/Fr	63		327	1010	3.09
Here/Fr	7		293	875	2.99
Here/Fr	11		235	730	3.11
Here/Fr (Red)	14		338	975	2.89
xBred	3		247	635	2.57

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	$/hd	$/kg
YEARLING BULL					
M. Grey x	9		259	785	3.03
Fr	8		291	860	2.95
Fr	23		246	790	3.21
AUTUMN-BORN WEANER STEER					
Sim	12		291	1100	3.78
WEANER STEER					
Bel. Blue x	5		258	990	3.84
Here/Fr	42		142 - 203	520 - 735	3.62 - 3.67
WEANER HEIFER					
Bel. Blue x	5		258	800	3.10
Speckle x	4		108	470	4.37
Here/Fr	11		200	610	3.05
Here/Fr	7		194	540	2.78
Here/Fr	6		165	535	3.24
Here/Fr	5		108	440	4.07
Stabilizer/Fr x	7		146	500	3.43
Stabilizer/Fr x	14		136	500	3.68
WEANER BULL					
Ang/Fr	7		108	455	4.23
Here/Fr	6		98	485	4.93
Here/Fr	4		58	295	5.13
Fr	5		105	410	3.90
Fr	73		100	410	4.12
MA COW					
Fr x	3		493	790	1.60

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