

LIVESTOCKEYE

TAUPO CATTLE



R2 STEER
ANGUS
310 - 500KG
2.80



R2 HEIFER
BEEF/DAIRY
385 - 390KG
2.43



WEANER STEER
ANG & A/H
211 - 243KG
750-840



WEANER HEIFER
ANGUS
296KG
760



VIC R2 HEIFER
ANGUS
385 - 441KG
970-1105

VIEWPOINT

Quality line-up on chilly day

Temperatures below zero meant a chilly start in the Taupo cattle yards today but those who braved the cold were rewarded with a quality line-up of cattle. Traditional lines and true to type dairy-beef sold well and there was a full clearance of the 460 head. A solid bench of buyers was present with representation from King Country, Waikato and locals.

The R2 traditional steer average was \$2.78/kg, \$1060. Quality 308-411kg Angus and Angus-Charolais were sought after to reach \$2.82-\$2.92/kg, and the remainder mostly earned \$2.72-\$2.80/kg. Dairy-beef varied though eight Simmental-Dairy, 343kg, realised \$2.83/kg.

Like their brothers, a quality line-up of Angus-Charolais took the top spot in the R2 heifer pens to reach \$2.69/kg. The next cut was 330kg Angus at \$2.52/kg and Hereford-Friesian

around 380-390kg fetched \$2.40-\$2.46/kg. The balance of lighter or lesser quality Angus-cross sold in a range of \$2.21-\$2.31/kg. R2 Angus heifers, vetted-in-calf to an Angus bull, made similar per kilogram values at \$2.51-\$2.52/kg, \$970-\$1105.

Weaner calves sold according to weight and beef-Friesian above 320kg were secured for \$940-\$970. The lion's share of the traditional steers was 210-243kg and traded to \$3.46-\$3.56/kg, \$745-\$840. Traditional and Hereford-cross heifers over 240kg achieved \$645-\$760 and lighter types, \$500-\$610. A line of Hereford-Friesian weighing 229kg received \$630 with the remainder around 150-200kg at \$425-\$500. Bulls were limited to three Hereford which performed well at \$910, and 185kg Friesian and Friesian-cross, \$400.



Caitlin Pemberton

Cattle fair tallies

R2 Steer	99
R2 Heifer	141
Weaner Steer	69
Weaner Heifer	138
Weaner Bull	13
Total	460

STORE CATTLE

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
R2 STEER					
Ang	16		438 - 498	1220 - 1375	2.76 - 2.79
Ang	28		308 - 373	870 - 1045	2.80 - 2.82
Ang & A/H	6		325	885	2.72
Ang & A/H	4		280	730	2.61
Ang/Char	9		411	1200	2.92
Here x	3		483	1250	2.59
Ang/Fr	15		337 - 393	840 - 985	2.50 - 2.50
Sim/Dairy	8		343	970	2.83
Fr	10		391	880	2.25

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
R2 HEIFER					
Ang	7		330	830	2.52
Ang	7		267	600	2.25
Ang x	21		315 - 380	720 - 860	2.26 - 2.28
Ang/Char	19		391	1050	2.69
Ang/Fr	12		368 - 384	850	2.21 - 2.31
Here/Fr	17		380 - 390	930 - 960	2.45 - 2.46
Here/Fr	6		353	800	2.26
Here/Fr (Red)	16		387 - 392	930 - 960	2.40 - 2.45
Here/Fr (Red)	6		303	650	2.14

STORE CATTLE

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
WEANER STEER					
Ang	20		143 - 214	485 - 745	3.39 - 3.48
Ang & A/H	31		211 - 243	750 - 840	3.46 - 3.56
Here x	2		205	585	2.85
Beef/Fr	16		320 - 341	940 - 970	2.85 - 2.94
WEANER HEIFER					
Ang	10		296	760	2.57
Ang	9		207	610	2.95
Ang	11		168	570	3.39
Ang	6		133	500	3.75
Ang & A/H	15		225	590	2.62
Ang & A/H	11		180	590	3.28
Here	9		266	750	2.82
Here x	2		240	645	2.69
Ang/Fr	18		153 - 163	425 - 455	2.77 - 2.80
Here/Fr	17		229	630	2.75
Here/Fr	10		146	470	3.22
Here/Dairy	5		200	500	2.50

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
WEANER BULL					
Here	3		313	910	2.90
Fr & Fr x	10		185	400	2.16
VIC R2 HEIFER					
Ang (Ang bull)	30		385 - 441	970 - 1105	2.51 - 2.52

Average Sale Prices				
Age/Class	Breed	Ave. kg	Ave. \$/hd	Ave. \$/kg
R2 Steer	Traditional	385	1060	2.78
R2 Heifer	Traditional	385	955	2.48
R2 Heifer	Beef/Dairy	375	880	2.35
Weaner Steer	Traditional	215	750	3.48
Weaner Heifer	Traditional	215	625	2.92
Weaner Heifer	Beef/Dairy	185	520	2.81