

LIVESTOCKEYE

TAUPO CATTLE

R3 STEER
ANGUS
567KG
3.26

R3 HEIFER
ANGUS
445 - 507KG
2.85 - 2.90

R2 STEER
HEREFORD-FRIESIAN
374KG
3.29

R1 STEER
ANGUS
249KG
3.21

VIC R3 HEIFER
ANGUS
394 - 434KG
1090-1240

VIEWPOINT

Hot market despite cold start

While there was a cold start to the day, the market was hot. Demand has been building across the North Island while availability is tightening with buyers looking to maximise on good expectations for schedules in the coming months. Today, keen buyers from Hawkes Bay and King Country combined with locals in a battle to secure a great quality line up of 487 head.

R3 steers were sought after with the bulk around \$3.10-\$3.20/kg though vendors of good-quality 657kg Angus were rewarded, reaching \$3.26/kg. R3 traditional and Charolais-Angus heifers, 445-5310kg, fetched \$2.82-\$2.91/kg and Hereford-Friesian, 367-435kg, sold to \$2.99-\$3.07/kg.

A highlight in the R2 steers was 374kg

Hereford-Friesian which realised \$3.29/kg. The next cut earned \$3.13/kg with lesser quality and more dairy types below the \$3.00/kg mark.

R2 heifers varied, and numbers were limited. The dairy-beef average improved nearly 20c/kg compared to the previous sale to \$2.54/kg.

R1 steers consisted of Angus and Speckle Park-cross, 210-249kg, which achieved \$3.14-\$3.21/kg. The bulk of the heifers were 248-277kg Angus which were secured for \$2.94/kg to \$3.14/kg, \$730-\$870. The balance mostly shifted for \$540-\$610.

Four-year Angus cows made \$950-\$970. Mixed age Hereford cows, 562kg, sold well to \$1260, and 376kg Devon-cross \$960. R3 Angus heifers vetted-in-calf to Angus sold in a range of \$1090-\$1240.



Caitlin Pemberton

Cattle fair tallies

R3 Steer	83
R3 Heifer	156
R2 Steer	73
R2 Heifer	22
R2 Rig	2
R1 Steer	25
R1 Heifer	85
R1 Bull	3
MA Cow	38
Total	487

STORE CATTLE

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
R3 STEER					
Ang	32		567	1850	3.26
Ang	33		473 - 498	1525 - 1570	3.15 - 3.22
Ang/Here	10		480 - 510	1530 - 1580	3.10 - 3.19
Ang x	8		589	1875	3.18
R3 HEIFER					
Ang	42		445 - 507	1270 - 1470	2.85 - 2.90
Ang/Here	18		502	1460	2.91
Char/Ang	10		531	1500	2.82
Here	1		430	1020	2.37
Here/Fr	41		367 - 435	1110 - 1300	2.99 - 3.07

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
R2 STEER					
Here/Fr	33		374 - 418	1170 - 1310	3.13 - 3.13
Here/Fr	28		374	1230	3.29
Here/Fr	9		364	1040	2.85
Here/Dairy	3		337	700	2.08
R2 HEIFER					
Here	4		488	1310	2.69
Speckle x	1		450	1240	2.76
Here/Fr	1		387	1000	2.58
Here/Fr	4		383	1090	2.85
Here/Fr	4		323	850	2.64
Here/Fr	4		315	770	2.44
Here/Dairy	3		340	690	2.03

STORE CATTLE

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
R2 RIG					
Here/Dairy	2		425	1000	2.35
R1 STEER					
Ang	12		249	800	3.21
Speckle x	13		210	660	3.14
R1 HEIFER					
Ang	27		277	870	3.14
Ang	30		248	730	2.94
Ang	6		218	600	2.75
Ang x	2		280	610	2.18
Here	5		144	540	3.75
Speckle x	7		199	610	3.07
Here/Dairy	8		138 - 173	250 - 300	1.73 - 1.81
R1 BULL					
Here/Dairy	1		340	650	1.91
Here/Dairy	1		180	360	2.00

	Tally	Cond.	Weight	\$/hd	\$/kg
4-YEAR COW					
Ang	15		427	970	2.27
Ang	12		397	950	2.39
MA COW					
Dev x	5		376	960	2.55
Here	5		562	1260	2.24
Fr/Jer	1		590	1060	1.80
VIC R3 HEIFER					
Ang (Ang)	44		394 - 434	1090 - 1240	2.76 - 2.86

Average Sale Prices				
Age/Class	Breed	Ave. kg	Ave. \$/hd	Ave. \$/kg
R3 Steer	Traditional	520	1675	3.22
R3 Heifer	Traditional	455	1300	2.86
R2 Steer	Beef/Dairy	385	1195	3.12
R2 Heifer	Beef/Dairy	345	870	2.54
R1 Heifer	Traditional	250	760	3.05

