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Toowoomba Elders

YARDING increased by 293 to 871 at this week's **sale**.

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Numbers increased and overall quality across the young cattle was very mixed.

There was a small number of good, heavy grown steers and bullocks penned and a relatively small selection of cows.

Buyer attendance was very subdued, with two major export operators absent from the buying panel, while the usual feeder buyers were present and operating.

Young cattle experienced a wide variation in price according to quality, with only well-bred lines in demand.

Heavy grown steers and bullocks struggled to maintain a **firm** trend. Restockers competed against processors on the plain-condition cows and prices experienced a small improvement, while a few good heavy cows remained **firm**.

Vealer steers to feed and restockers averaged in the high 170c range, with sales to 185.2c/kg.

Vealer heifers to feed averaged 153c and slaughter classes averaged 136c/kg.

The largest number of medium-weight yearling steers to feed averaged 168c and the better lines averaged 180c and **sold** to 193.2c/kg.

Heavyweights to feed averaged in the 170c range and made to 180c, with some returning to the paddock at 191.2c/kg.

A large selection of lightweight yearling heifers averaged 137c and D-muscle lines averaged 112c/kg. Medium-weight yearling heifers to the trade averaged 176c, with a **B**-muscle class reaching 219.2c/kg.

Heavy grown steers and bullocks mostly **sold** in the high 160c range, with the very occasional **sale** to the local trade at 175c/kg.

Medium-weight two-score cows to processors averaged 101c and made to 108.2c/kg.

Good heavy cows made to 128.2c to average 125c/kg. Heavy bulls **sold** to 139.2c/kg.

Toowoomba Landmark

NUMBERS climbed by 338 at this week's **sale** to 657.

The trend of larger numbers continued and young cattle dominated the selling pens.

The drift towards fewer operators in the export buying panel continued, while the usual feeder operators were present, along with a small selection of restocker buyers.

Apart from some well-bred vealer steers receiving very strong demand, the majority of the lightweight cattle met lacklustre demand, especially the heifer portion.

Medium and heavyweights to feed received fair demand, with only quality-related price changes.

Plain-condition cows improved in price due to stronger restocker support, while the good cows remained **firm**.

A large number of calves returned to the paddock at 165c, with the occasional **B**-muscle class to 268.2c/kg.

Lightweight yearling steers to restockers averaged 164c and D-muscle lines averaged close to 140c/kg.

Medium-weight yearling steers to feed averaged 178c and made to 186.2c/kg.

Lightweight yearling heifers mostly **sold** in the early 130c range and D-muscle lines 94c/kg.

Medium-weight plain cows to restockers averaged close to 90c/kg.

Heavy three scores averaged 115c and good heavy cows averaged 124c and **sold** to 127.2c/kg.

Heavy bulls made 141.2c/kg.

Toowoomba O'Sullivan

AGENTS yarded 657 head on Monday.

**Sale** numbers increased this week, with more local cattle being yarded.

There was a good line-up of cows and again very few bullocks were yarded.

A good sample of feeder steers was on offer while feeder heifers met limited competition.

A couple of bazadaise- cross steers returned to the paddock as led steers for 251.2c and 268.2c.

Plain-condition cows remained **firm** with restocker competition, while the heavy prime cows were slightly easier.

Vealers and lightweights met limited competition.

Restockers, feedlot operators and major meat buyers were all in competition together.

Gayleen Morice, Haden, **sold** quality bazadaise weaner steers, again sought- after by local show-goers.

Her steers **sold** for 251.2c and 268.2c, with the draft average close to \$2/kg, also selling weaner heifers for 190c/kg.

Limousin steers 282kg **sold** for 172.2c for \$486.

Quality angus steers account the Jannusch family, Oakey, **sold** for 185.2c 320kg for \$592.

Mixed charolais-cross weaners, Kumbia, **sold** for 169.2c 253kg for \$429.

Angus steers 275kg **sold** for 178c for \$490.

Santa-cross weaner steer 311kg **sold** for 171.2c.

Limousin black bull 810kg **sold** for 141.2c for \$1143.

Santa-cross heifers 448kg **sold** for 141.2c for \$633.

The Harvey family, Haden, **sold** quality charolais-cross steers 490kg for 169.2c for \$829.

Santa cows and calves **sold** for \$620 unit.

Warwick cattle

AGENTS reported a fall of 119 to 1147 at the Warwick **sale**.

The supply of stock experienced a small decline and overall quality was mixed, with just a small selection of well-presented classes suited to the local butcher trade.

Virtually no young heavy grown steers and bullocks were penned, however there was a small selection of full mouth bullocks along with a fair line-up of cows.

The trend of very few operators in the export section continued, while the usual trade and feeder buyers were present plus a few restocker operators.

Well-bred trade and feeder classes received strong competition, however any falling outside slaughter and feed specifications met lacklustre demand.

Plain-condition cows improved in price while good heavy cows lost a further 5c/kg.

Most of the calves return to the paddock at 143c, with a few sales to 181.2c/kg.

Vealer steers to restockers averaged 183c and **sold** to 193c/kg.

Vealer heifers to feed, slaughter and restockers averaged in the 140c range while the better-quality lines **sold** to local butchers at an average of 190c, with sales to 200.2c/kg.

Medium-weight yearling steers to feed averaged 181c and **sold** to 194.2c and heavy feeders averaged 179c and **sold** to 185c/kg.

Heavyweights to the trade averaged 186c, with most at 180c/kg.

Lightweight yearling heifers mostly **sold** in the mid-130c/kg range.

Medium weights to the trade averaged 166c and **sold** to 183.2c/kg.

A few full mouth bullocks made to 144.2c to average 130c/kg.

Medium-weight plain cows averaged 82c and the two scores close to 98c, with some to 109.2c/kg.

Good heavy cows averaged 120c and made to 126.2c/kg.

Heavy bulls made to 149.2c/kg.

Dalby cattle

May 21 report:

NUMBERS fell by 342 to a total of 4255.

The supply of stock experienced a small decline and similar to other markets no good-quality heavy grown steers and bullocks were penned and there was a 33% reduction in the number of cows available.

The usual feeder buyers were present and operating.

However export processor attendance continued to be erratic and not all the major buyers were present; this trend also flowed into the young cattle section, with some interstate operators absent from the buying panel.

Young lightweight cattle experienced a mixed trend, with well-bred lines of vealer steers and vealer heifers improving in price, while lightweight yearling heifers struggled to maintain a **firm** trend.

Medium and heavyweight yearling steers to feed experienced only quality- related price changes.

The plain-quality selection of heavy grown steers and bullocks remained unchanged in price.

Cows regained some of the previous week's losses to improve by 4c to 7c/kg.

Vealer steers to feed and restockers made to 208.2c, with most in the 190c/kg range.

The relatively small selection of vealer heifers improved in price to average in the mid-130c range, with some returning to the paddock at 171.2c/kg.

Lightweight yearling steers to restockers averaged 175c and made to 192.2c/kg.

The largest number of medium weights to feed averaged 170c, with the better lines averaging 185c and D-muscle classes to 138c/kg.

Heavyweights to feed averaged close to 180c and **sold** to 188.2c/kg.

A very large supply of D-muscle lightweight yearling heifers mostly **sold** from 100c to 105c/kg.

Medium weights to feed and the trade generally **sold** in the 150c range, with some to 159.2c/kg.

Heavyweights to feed averaged 138c and poor-quality lines averaged 115c/kg.

Heavy three-score grown steers and bullocks averaged 154c, with the occasional good pen reaching 169.2c/kg.

Medium-weight two-score cows improved 4c to average 94c and three scores gained 7c, to average 113c/kg.

Good heavy cows lifted in price by 5c to average 132c, with a few sales to 138.2c/kg.

Heavy bulls made to 166.2c/kg.

Roma store

A TOTAL of 6000 head of cattle were penned on Tuesday.

Weaners under 220kg topped at 208c/kg and averaged 178c/kg, while weaner steers in the 220-280kg range reached 214c/kg and averaged 180c/kg.

Steers in the 280-350kg range reached 212c/kg and averaged 177c/kg, and steers in the 350-400kg range reached 193c/kg and averaged 181c/kg.

Feeder steers in the 400-550kg range topped at 194c/kg and averaged 178c/kg.

Clark Bros and Tait, Powella, Aramac, **sold** santa steers to 214c/kg for 255kg to return \$546/head.

S and **M** Russell, Wodonga, Mungallala, **sold** charolais-cross steers to 209c for 224kg to return \$470.

EJ Pampling, Derbyshire Downs, Augathella, **sold** angus-cross steers to 208c for 289kg to return \$601.

The charolais-cross heifers **sold** to 139c for 257kg to return \$358.

D and C McIntosh Family Trust, Basin Downs, Surat, **sold** santa-cross steers to 208c for 241kg to return \$503. The angus-cross heifers **sold** to 145c for 256kg to return \$371.

Maller Pastoral Co, Waverley, Wallumbilla, **sold** EU charolais-cross steers to 206c for 292kg to return \$603. The charolais-cross EU heifers **sold** to 141c for 251kg to return \$355.

S and R White Family Trust, Roma, **sold** charolais-cross steers to 204c for 309kg to return \$631.

Cam Colley, Brucedale, Roma, **sold** charbray-cross steers to 202c for 231kg to return \$467.

J and J Shaw, Double J, Injune, **sold** angus-cross steers to 195c for 269kg to return \$525.

Reynella Grazing Co, Reynella, Charleville, **sold** droughtmaster-cross steers to 194c for 474kg to return \$921.

Ridgelands Grazing Co, Ridgelands, Injune, **sold** charolais steers to 193c for 407kg to return \$787.

P and S Joliffe, Walhallow, Amby, **sold** santa steers to 193c for 406kg to return \$785.

G and G Burey, Springhill, Amby, **sold** charolais-cross steers to 193c for 316kg to return \$610. The hereford-cross heifers **sold** to 134c for 245kg to return \$329.

R and D Bond, Lancefield, Roma, **sold** santa steers to 192c for 428kg to return \$823.

A and R Scott, Mayfield South, Roma, **sold** charolais-cross steers to 192c for 280kg to return \$538. The charolais-cross heifers **sold** to 136c for 245kg to return \$333.

R and D Allwood, Lyndock, Surat, **sold** charolais-cross steers to 190c for 389kg to return \$740.

Douglas Cattle Co, Vernview, Mitchell, **sold** hereford-cross steers to 186c for 243kg to return \$453.

**M** and J Morton, Ridgeland, Wallumbilla, **sold** droughtmaster steers to 182c for 201kg to return \$367. The droughtmaster heifers **sold** 133c for 217kg to return \$289.

Fred Ahern, Murweh Station, Charleville, **sold** droughtmaster-cross steers 181c for 320kg to return \$579.

Heifers in the 350-450kg range reached 153c/kg and averaged 141c/kg.

Heifers in the 280-350kg range topped at 146c/kg and averaged 130c/kg.

Heifers in the 220-280kg range topped at 145c/kg and averaged 122c/kg, while heifers under 220kg topped at 144c/kg and averaged 121c/kg.

G and **M** Owens, Arranmore, Longreach, **sold** santa steers to 153c for 465kg to return \$712.

A and S Smith, Openbah, Dirranbandi, **sold** simmental-cross heifers to 130c for 241kg to return \$313.

Cows over 500kg **sold** to 143c/kg and averaged 97c/kg, while cows 400-500kg topped at reached 115c/kg and averaged 87c/kg.

Cows in the 300-400kg **sold** to 104c/kg and averaged 76c/kg.

Cows and calves **sold** to \$600/unit.

Bulls up to 400kg reached 194c/kg and average 121c/kg.

Roma prime

May 22 report:

A TOTAL yarding of 1182 head of cattle were penned last week.

Steers over 550kg **sold** to 165c/kg and averaged 153c/kg, while steers in the 400-550kg earned to 155c/kg and averaged 142c/kg.

L and **M** Price, Mt Hope, Wallumbilla, **sold** droughtmaster steers to 165c/kg for 619kg to return \$1023/head.

Grace Gray, Wallabella, Wallumbilla, **sold** brangus-cross steers to 156c for 559kg to return \$873.

Barry York, Taunton, Roma, **sold** charbray-cross steers to 155c for 685kg to return \$1062.

Heifers over 450kg **sold** to 132c/kg and averaged 122c/kg, while heifers in the 350-450kg **sold** to 124c/kg and averaged 108c/kg.

Overland Cattle Co, Sedan Station, Yaraka, **sold** santa-cross heifers to 122c for 411kg to return \$503.

Cows over 500kg peaked at 133c/kg and averaged 119c/kg, while cows in the 400-500kg class topped at 123c/kg and averaged 96c/kg.

Cows 300-400kg **sold** to 103c/kg and averaged 75c/kg.

T and A McInerney, Binnowee, Surat, **sold** charolais-cross cows to 133c for 635kg to return \$845.

Palmtree Grazing Co, Palmtree, Taroom, **sold** santa-cross cows 130c for 615kg to return \$801.

Bruce Walker, The Farm, Roma, **sold** to 127c for 528kg to return \$672.

C and A Bell, Alcurah Creek, Roma, **sold** brahman-cross cows to 126c for 550kg to return \$694.

Clarendon Cattle Co, Clarendon, Blackall, **sold** brahman cows to 126c for 522kg to return \$659.

Bulls over 600kg topped at 147c/kg and averaged 131c/kg.

Moreton grain-assist

AGENTS reported a yarding of 818 cattle on Tuesday.

Values for yearlings improved on last week's **sale**, as did good trade.

Competition was strong for feeder cattle.

All export was unchanged.

Limousin-cross yearling steers account V and J Slingsby **sold** for 160.2c weighing 332kg to return \$532.

Pasture heifers account C and K Olm, of Ropely, **sold** for 142.2c weighing 310kg to return \$440.

T and **M** Eadie **sold** pasture steers for 175c weighing 590kg to return \$1032.

**M** Hatchman **sold** pasture ox for 160.2c weighing 702kg to return \$1125.

Grain-assist heifers account C Kruger **sold** for 170c weighing 415kg to return \$705.

**Dairy** culls account Plasvacc Pty Ltd **sold** for 133c weighing 790kg to return \$1050.

Medium cows account L and P Haynes **sold** for 144.2c weighing 620kg to return \$594.

D and R Tillack **sold** cows for 150.2c weighing 710kg to return \$1066.

L and J Muller **sold** a santa-cross bull for 152.2c weighing 1085 kg to return \$1651.

Warwick sheep

WARWICK selling agents yarded 1555 lambs and hoggets and 1176 sheep at the weekly **sale** on May 21.

Top lambs account CP and MJ Rubie, of Oakey, **sold** for \$135 purchased by Thomas Food Industries.

In a similar yarding of lambs, the market for heavy lambs was \$3-\$5 cheaper.

Good trade lambs were fully **firm** on last week's rates.

In a larger yarding of sheep with increased competition, the market was a shade dearer in places.

Sheep skin values have reduced owing to shut downs in **China**.

Quotations:

Cross-bred lambs 46-55kg \$96-\$134, cross-bred lambs 42-45kg \$92-\$134, cross-bred lambs 36-42kg \$84-\$117 and cross-bred lambs 35-40kg \$79-\$107.50.

Cross-bred lambs to 68kg **sold** to \$135.

Cross-bred hoggets 50.5kg to \$86 (shorn).

Trade wethers \$5 selling to \$74, or \$3.20/kg.

Light wethers \$2 selling to \$25, or \$2.10/kg.

Heavy cross-bred ewes \$5 selling to \$75 or \$2.85/kg.

Light ewes \$2 selling to \$25 or \$2/kg.

Toowoomba pigs

IN A lighter yarding of all pork, bacon and backfatter sows, the prices for all of the above classes **sold** to very strong rates.

Store and weaner pigs **sold** to a patchy market depending on size and quality.

Quotations:

Prime pork \$2.98-\$3.30/kg, prime light bacon \$2.80-\$3.20/kg, prime bacon \$2.45-\$2.95/kg.

Boars to 15c/kg, sows to \$1.12/kg.

Forward stores \$60-\$90, weaners \$72-\$92.

Biggenden

BURNETT Livestock and Realty's fortnightly meatworks and store **sale** held on Monday saw a yarding of 1653 head.

With plenty of numbers being moved around the state, meatworks cattle again were tougher to sell, while store cattle still **sold** strongly for quality cattle in the right specifications.

Bullocks topped at 154.2c and averaged **firm** to two cents cheaper.

Cows suffered severely compared to last **sale**, cows over 500kg topped at 125c and averaged 11 cents cheaper.

Cows 400kg to 500kg averaged 10 cents cheaper and cows under 400kg averaged 20 cents cheaper.

Heavy bulls topped at 136.2c.

Mooru Grazing, Takilberan, **sold** brangus charbray No.1 bullocks to top at 153.2c or \$1033, while brangus-cross trade heifers on account of Mooru Grazing topped at 139.2c or \$670.

TE Ford, Aramara, **sold** charolais-cross full mouth bullocks for 147.2c or \$894.

TE Ford also had charolais-cross cows that topped at 125c or \$875.

Good-quality feeder steers over 400kg again **sold** strongly, topping at 184.2c and averaging 16 cents dearer.

The 3D Farm Pty Ltd, Bundaberg, **sold** belmont-cross **milk**-tooth steers, which **sold** from 169.2c to 184.2c or \$633 to \$847.

Greg Blyton, Lowmead, **sold** braford and brahman **milk** and two-tooth steers.

The braford draft **sold** for 175.2c or \$737, while the brahmans **sold** for 156.2c or \$549 to \$599.

Steers 300-400kg topped at 175.2c and averaged three cents dearer.

R and A Purcell, Brigooda, **sold** two-tooth santa cross steers to top at 175.2c or \$666.

Some very good-quality weaner steers 200-300kg were yarded and in this weight range steers topped at 182.2c and averaged seven cents dearer.

Steers under 200kg didn't reach the highs of the bigger steers but still averaged 14 cents dearer.

JJ Seidner, Gayndah, **sold** santa and brahman-cross weaner steers to sell from 145.2c to 171.2c or \$365 to \$487.

The Myers family, South Kolan, **sold** charbray weaner steers to sell for 182.2c or \$459 to \$529.

Feeder heifers 300kg to 400kg suffered mixed results, with most not quite reaching the right weights to feed.

This weight range heifer topped at 155.2c and averaged eight cents cheaper.

L Onoprienko, Booyal, **sold** brangus **milk** and two-tooth heifers to top at 147.2c or \$528.

Wagner Cattle Partnership, Gunalda, **sold** bazadais-cross **milk**-tooth heifers for 155.2c or \$559.

Heifers 200-300kg **sold** stronger, topping at 143.2c to average five cents dearer.

Heifers under 200kg also **sold** stronger overall, averaging 18 cents dearer, with the quality being much better than the previous **sale**.

The Myers family, South Kolan, **sold** charbray weaner heifers for 143.2c or \$400.

Santa and brahman-cross weaner heifers on account of JJ Seidner, Gayndah, **sold** from 133.2c to 138.2c or \$307 to \$390.

Agents also **sold** 27 x 27 cows and calves **sold** from \$200 to \$410.

Cattle were drawn from Eidsvold, Mundubbera, Mt Perry, Gayndah, Brigooda, Boobyjan, Gunalda, Scotchy Pocket, Bauple, Antigua, Maryborough, Hervey Bay, Buxton, Childers, Bundaberg, Elliot Heads, Sharon, South Kolan, Rosedale, Lowmead, Miriam Vale, Takilberan, Gin Gin, Booyal and all local areas.

The next meatworks and store **sale** will be on Thursday, June 12, due to the Queen's birthday public holiday.

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