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HD **Injemira Hereford females hit \$9000**
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HEREFORD females **sold** to \$9000 at Injemira Beef Genetics, Book Book, last week as stud principal Marc Greening, dispersed his horned herd to concentrate on his Poll Hereford operation.

Auctioneer Paul Dooley, Paul Dooley Pty Ltd, Tamworth, **sold** through the 42 degrees Celsius day to offload 113 of the 123 females offered, averaging \$2097.

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Buyers came from five States as the top \$9000 donor cow Injemira Dom Pattie G086, by Injemira Legion E064, with a cracking bull calf at side by Mawarra Yours Truly and unjoined, **sold** to Sam Becker, Jarrah Cattle **Company**, Banana, Queensland.

A long time supporter of the Injemira program, Mr Becker also bought a second cow by Injemira Advance Z080 and depastured to Mawarra Ameretto for \$4000, before securing a spring drop heifer Injemira Dom Pattie J175 a daughter of the top priced donor cow also for \$4000.

Mr Becker said the top lot was an excellent modern Hereford cow not extreme, soft and producing well with genetics going back to Y085 on the dam side and that sire was "a curve bender".

"The top heifer's mother was the top-priced cow a few years ago at the last Injemira female **sale** and her genetics show the strength of pedigree and that they are a proven line," he said.

Mr Becker bought the Dom Pattie J175 heifer to retain all the top-priced donor cow's genetics for his stud.

Battalion Herefords, "Wattle Dale", Dundee, paid to \$6000 for Injemira Pearl F137, a Talbalba Valuable daughter with a spring-drop calf at foot by Injemira Advance E007.

The team at Battalion also **purchased** a second cow and calf unit for \$3000 and an autumn calving heifer for \$2500.

Karen Arnott, Cascade Poll Hereford stud, Currabubula, paid \$7500 for Injemira Ugena J015, a heifer entering the donor program, by Mawarra Yours Truly and rated by Mr Greening as the "best horned female ever bred at Injemira".

Ugena J015 was artificially inseminated to Injemira Advance Y203 in June and depastured to Quamby Plains Gaucho from July to September.

Rockford Pty Limited, "Rockford", Bothwell, Tasmania, **purchased** two donor cows for \$3000 and \$4000, before taking eight spring-drop cow and calf units for \$2281, two spring drop heifers at \$1000 and \$1500, three autumn drop cow and calf units to a top of \$4250, averaging \$2667, and three autumn drop heifers averaging \$2333.

Long time supporter of the Injemira program John Muraca, "Murpack", Wangaratta, Victoria, had recently **sold** a large wing of cull cows and was looking for replacements to join his 250 herd, run on 320 hectares, producing weaners for the February weaner **sale** in Wangaratta.

Mr Muraca bought 16 autumn-drop, pregnancy tested in-calf (PTIC) cows averaging \$1313 and eight autumn drop heifers for \$1250 apiece.

"Not many opportunities like this come along to **buy** some of the best industry producing females for this money and why wait for February when they would be as dear as poison to **buy** then anyway," he said.

Mr Muraca said Injemira bought his top heifers every year to put into their **commercial** program, and also allowed him to be involved in their recent deal supplying heifers to **China**.

Weslby **Park** Herefords, Shepparton, Vic, secured two spring-drop PTIC cows and five autumn-drop heifers for \$1679, while R. and C. Pitson, "Carinya", Culcairn, bought seven females, including four heifers, averaging \$1571.

John Cobb, trading as Cranky Bob Pty Ltd, Molong, bought six spring PTIC cows for \$1750 and P.R. McCormack, Tallangatta, Vic, loaded five spring drops at \$1755.

Ian Manning, Bathurst paid to \$4000 for three spring-calving cows and an autumn-drop heifer, while Jacinta Pretty, Jindivick, paid to \$4500 for three lots.

Rob Cooper, King **Island**, Tasmania, rounded out the **sale** securing three autumn calving three in one units and three autumn calving heifers averaging \$1833.

The **sale** was conducted by Elders and Landmark with Paul Dooley as the auctioneer.

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