

MARKET REPORT

“What an outstanding yarding of top quality weaners” was the comment from Ray Whites Livestock manager and this year’s Show and Sale judge Mr. Bruce Birch. A total of 1320 calves were penned for buyer competition on Friday May 19 with calves finding new homes across NSW and Southern QLD.

A large percentage of the calves on offer were showing plenty of growth for age as well as the softness and quality buyers are searching for. This quality stems from breeders using better quality bulls each year and adding the latest genetics. Feedlotter, grass finishers and backgrounders are seeking cattle that will finish quickly with either milk or two teeth to fit domestic markets and receive a premium and as such producers of the Macleay Valley were rewarded with an excellent market.

In another first for Ray White Rural Kempsey, the use of Elite Auctions Online was added to the region. Very similar to AuctionsPlus, this online selling allows potential buyers from across Australia to view in real time, hear the actual sale and bid online. Although no purchasers were made, the system participated strongly with a number of bids made as the underbidder, thus putting extra dollars into the pockets of local producers. A total of 67 individuals were logged on to view the sale. That’s an extra 67 potential buyers to the mix. This system has already been booked by Ray White Rural Kempsey for upcoming sales and will definitely benefit the producer.

A heifer kindly donated to Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea by Mr. Noel Bannon realised a top price of \$1575.00. The heifer was purchased by Mr. Matt Johnston of Austral Eden with Ray Whites National Livestock manager Mr. Bruce Birch the underbidder. Ray White Rural Kempsey matched the value bringing the total to \$3150.00 for a great and worthy cause.

Class winners were as follows:

British Bred Steers. Angus Steers – T & R Booth

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European Bred Steers. Charolais Cross – Patterson/Whalen P/ship

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Bos Indicus Steers. Brangus Cross – D and A Mitchell

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Champion pen of weaners for 2017 – Charolais Cross Steers
Patterson/Whalen P/ship of Austral Eden

757 Steers offered

Light Steer Weaners. 298.2 – 446.2

Heavy Steer Weaners. 206.2 – 388.2

548 Heifers offered

Light Heifer Weaners. 200.0 – 410.2

Heavy Heifer Weaners. 332.2 – 344.2

Ray White Rural Kempsey would like to thank all vendors, buyers and underbidders for their continued support. Another Weaner sale will be held on Friday, July 14 2017 at 11am. Please contact our livestock staff with bookings to enable advertising.

Mark Haywood: 0437 286 494

Tim McCarthy: 0427 674 054

Luke Atton: 0429 989 005

Next Prime Cattle Sale Tuesday May 30 8am

Small Stock Sale this coming Saturday May 27 1pm

Machinery and General Farm Auction Saturday June 24 12pm Kempsey Showground